



GYNECOLOGIC ONCOLOGY

The Gynecologic Oncology Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) at the Karmanos Cancer Institute is committed to providing outstanding and innovative care for patients with cervical, fallopian tube, ovarian, uterine (endometrial), vaginal and vulvar cancer, as well as gestational trophoblastic disease.

WHEN TO REFER PATIENTS TO KARMANOS' GYNECOLOGIC ONCOLOGY:

Our team collaborates with referring physicians to quickly and accurately confirm a cancer diagnosis and identify the type and severity of the disease. Any patient with a gynecologic malignancy will benefit from a consultation, including those with:

- A gynecologic cancer diagnosis needing surgery, radiation and/or chemotherapy
- Signs suspicious for a gynecologic malignancy such as a complex pelvic mass, malignant ascites and/or elevated CA-125
- Vulvar, vaginal or cervical lesions suspicious for malignancy on pelvic exam
- Early cervical cancer interested in fertility-sparing surgery
- Pelvic masses and endometrial cancer interested in minimally invasive surgery
- Recurrent gynecologic cancers being considered for surgery, radiation or chemotherapy
- An interest in clinical trial participation
- Complicated pre-invasive disease of the lower genital tract
- A desire to initiate a second opinion
- A personal and/or family history suggestive of hereditary gynecologic cancer



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COMPLEX CARE FOR A COMPLEX DISEASE

If your patient has been diagnosed with a gynecologic cancer, Karmanos Cancer Institute is among the best cancer centers in the country for treatment of this disease.

We know conventional treatments don't always work. That's why every eligible patient has the opportunity to participate in one of more than 800 clinical trials available, giving them their best chance to beat cancer.

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GYNECOLOGIC CANCERS WE TREAT

Cervical Cancer

Cervical cancer symptoms include abnormal vaginal discharge or bleeding, discomfort or pain in the pelvic or abdomen, or bleeding after vaginal sex. Most cases of cervical cancer are now preventable through the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine. The vaccine is available for children, ages 9 and older, and adults, through age 45.

Regular Pap tests and HPV tests between ages 21 and 65 are recommended for the early detection of cervical cancer.

Ovarian Cancer

There is no good screening for ovarian cancer and often symptoms can be common to those who experience abdominal discomfort from time to time. This includes feeling bloated, urinating more frequently, nausea, and change in appetite. If these symptoms last more than a few weeks, patients should see their gynecologists.

Endometrial Cancer

Endometrial cancer, also known as uterine cancer, is the most common gynecologic cancer. A healthy diet and lifestyle are among the ways of lowering the risk of endometrial cancer. The most common symptom of endometrial cancer is abnormal vaginal bleeding or spotting.

In older women after menopause, any bleeding, spotting or brownish discharge may be symptomatic and they should talk to their doctor about it.

Vaginal Cancer

Vaginal cancer is associated with the human papillomavirus (HPV) types 16 and 18. The HPV vaccine can be used to prevent HPV infection and reduce the risk of developing vaginal cancer. Common symptoms include unusual vaginal bleeding, pain, and problems urinating or having bowel movements. Routine wellness visits and cervical cancer screenings are recommended.

Vulvar Cancer

While there is no standard screening for vulvar cancer, knowing what to look for can help with early detection. This includes if the vulva looks different than normal such as a bump or lump that is red, pink, or white, or thickening of the skin of the vulva. Other symptoms are chronic itching and abnormal bleeding or discharge.

Karmanos Cancer Institute offers genetic counseling and testing for those who have a family history of gynecologic cancers. For more information, visit karmanos.org/lansingcancer.