

Our Approach

Through the Heart Valve Center, a patient or referring physician can place one phone call and a dedicated coordinator will make sure all questions are answered and all the right specialists are assembled for the patient's appointment. The coordinator does all the behind-the-scenes orchestrating to ensure smooth, efficient patient care.

- **Patients referred to the Heart Valve Center will be initially assessed by one of our cardiologists and/or cardiovascular surgeons.**
- **All prior diagnostic studies will be requested and reviewed.**
- **When needed, additional diagnostic imaging (such as echocardiography, stress imaging, cardiac MRI, or carotid ultrasound) will be performed.**

POWERFUL medicine



Broward Health, providing service for more than 70 years, is a nationally recognized system offering world class health care services to our neighbors in South Florida.

BROWARD HEALTH INCLUDES:

Broward Health Medical Center

Broward Health Coral Springs

Broward Health Imperial Point

Broward Health North

Broward Health Weston

Broward Health Community Health Services

Broward Health Physician Group

Broward Health Foundation

Chris Evert Children's Hospital

For more information about **the Heart Valve Center**

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BrowardHealth.org/ValveCenter



at The Heart Center of Excellence

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How much do you know about your heart?

More than five million Americans have heart valve disease, and many do not have any symptoms. Even with no outward signs of problems, valve disease can cause heart damage. Left untreated, it can lead to heart failure and other complications, including death.

The Broward Health Heart Valve Center streamlines the diagnostic and treatment process for patients and is led by national experts in diagnostic cardiac imaging, interventional cardiology, and cardiac surgery.

The Center's collaborative medical team provides you with optimal care that includes:

- Complete medical evaluation by heart valve specialists
- State-of-the-art diagnostic valve disease education
- Personalized care plan, including ongoing follow-up and adjustments
- Timely updates to your primary care physician
- If necessary, valve surgery at the Heart Center of Excellence at Broward Health Medical Center.

Heart Care

At the Heart Valve Center, we provide patients with a Multidisciplinary Approach to the following procedures:

- Aortic valve repair /replacement
- Mitral valve repair/replacement
- Minimally Invasive Valve Surgery
- ASD/PFO Repairs
- Cardiac tumors
- Endocarditis
- Emerging percutaneous valve technologies for those who may not be candidates for surgery due to complex, co-morbid conditions.

Cardiac Imaging

- 2D echocardiogram
- Transesophageal echocardiogram (TEE)
- Stress echo
- Cardiac CT
- Nuclear imaging
- Interventional cardiology
- ASD closure
- PFO closure
- TADS



Minimally Invasive Procedures

The goal of minimally invasive approaches for treatment of valvular heart disease is to reduce the trauma to the patient, while preserving the quality and safety of conventional surgical approaches. Techniques offered include:

- Minimally invasive aortic valve repair/replacement
- Minimally invasive mitral valve repair/replacement
- Emerging technologies, including transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR)

Hybrid Lab

Our new hybrid surgery suite offers physician and their patient's enhanced cardiac and vascular care. Using the latest X-ray imaging technology, our team of specialists can now perform a wider range of minimally invasive diagnostic and therapeutic cardio vascular procedures in a patient-focused environment. This advanced technology helps to optimize patient safety and comfort, and enables us to provide an advanced level of vascular care.

