

# A Full Continuum of Comprehensive Heart & Vascular Care

The Florida Hospital Cardiovascular Institute

**A** national leader in cardiac care, the Florida Hospital Cardiovascular Institute (FHCVI) serves over 70,000 patients each year, including 2,000 who must undergo cardiac surgery. In fact, over the last three decades, Florida Hospital surgeons have performed more than 82,000 open-heart procedures.

To provide such a high caliber of care, FHCVI physicians work as a multidisciplinary team to deliver truly comprehensive medicine. Every facet of heart health care is addressed—from diagnosis and prevention through open-heart surgery and transplantation.

## Vascular Center of Excellence

With a strong emphasis on the most advanced therapies for vascular diseases, including peripheral arterial disease, FHCVI vascular surgeons offer expert care for the entire spectrum of arterial and venous conditions.

“We are constantly incorporating new technologies to provide patients with shorter hospital stays and an earlier return to normal activities.”

## Women & Cardiovascular Disease

Cardiovascular disease is the number one cause of death in women today, and the FHCVI addresses women's unique heart health care needs through education, prevention and early diagnosis.

“We are dedicated to educating our community on the different ways



Patricia Guerrero, MD

cardiovascular disease affects women versus men. By bringing awareness and educating women on the signs and symptoms of this disease, and by providing information on diet and exercise, we hope to help keep the women in our community heart healthy,” says Patricia Guerrero, MD, cardiologist and medical director of Women's Cardiovascular Disease Program.

notes Robert Winter, MD, vascular surgeon and medical director of the Vascular Center of Excellence. “What's more, through our participation in FDA-approved clinical trials, we are actively involved with the development of new treatments and devices for aneurysms, carotid disease and refractory hypertension.”



Robert Winter, MD

## Arrhythmia & Ablation Center at Florida Hospital

Some of the most widely renowned physicians in the field are on staff at the Arrhythmia and Ablation Center at Florida Hospital. Extensively experienced in treating atrial fibrillation and other heart arrhythmias, the team is recognized for its dedication to superior care.



George Monir, MD & Scott Pollak, MD

“We utilize specialized techniques for diagnosing and treating a wide range of arrhythmias, and we continually explore the latest advancements in treatment methods,” note electrophysiologists and Ablation Center co-medical directors Scott Pollak MD and George Monir, MD.

“Stereotactic technologies use computer and magnetically guided catheters to reach deep into the heart while minimizing the risk of damage that can occur when a catheter makes contact with the delicate structures of the heart. This minimally invasive treatment has revolutionized care, giving us improved navigation, increased safety and reduced X-ray exposure for the patient.”

## Valve Center of Excellence

Physicians from around the world travel to the Valve Center of Excellence at Florida Hospital to learn the groundbreaking techniques being used there.



Kevin Accola, MD

“Acquired or congenital disease of any cardiac valve can affect quality of life or even become life threatening,” says Kevin Accola, MD, medical director of the Valve Center of Excellence.

“Valve surgery can be extremely complex and the experience of the entire team is critical. We work together to ensure each patient receives optimal results—and because we perform more valve procedures than any other program in the Southeastern United States, our patients benefit from an unparalleled level of experience.”



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*The Florida Hospital Cardiovascular Institute is one of the nation's leading centers of excellence for cardiovascular health. To learn more, or to schedule an appointment, please call (407)303-1700. Visit the website at [www.FLHeart.org](http://www.FLHeart.org).*



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