

Central Venous Port

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Chemotherapy Administration

Most chemotherapy is administered by vein.

Several options exist to administer chemotherapy:

- Intravenous catheter in peripheral veins
- Peripheral Intravenous Central Catheter (PICC)
- Central Venous port

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Intravenous Catheter in Peripheral Vein ("IV")

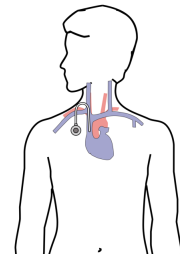
- IV catheter placed in vein of hand or arm
- Allows administration of chemo and fluids
- Placed for each dose
- Removed that day
- Not suitable for FLOT chemo



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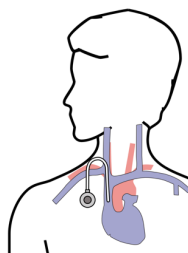
- Implantable device makes chemo easier
- May shower in 24 hrs
- No special care at home
- OK for FLOT chemo
- Allows for blood draws



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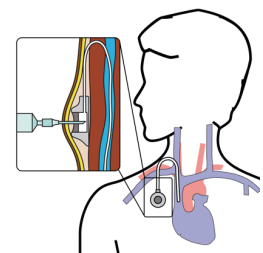
- Implanted under skin
- Neck incision (1/4")
- Incision below the collarbone
- Sutures dissolve
- "Superglue" on incisions



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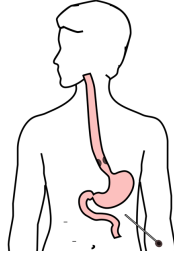
When it is time for chemotherapy, a needle is inserted through the skin into the port



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Laparoscopy

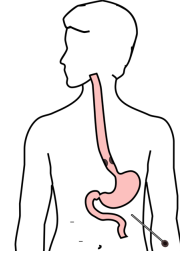
- Some stomach cancers can spread inside the abdomen
- Areas of spread can be very small (grain of rice)
- Laparoscopy can detect spread inside the abdomen



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Laparoscopy

- General anesthetic
- Several 1/4" incisions
- Telescope examines the abdomen
- Biopsies can be performed.



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Team Members - Physicians

Primary Care Provider
 Gastroenterologist
 Medical Oncologist (chemotherapy)
 Radiation Oncologist (radiation)
 Surgeons

- Jonathan Salo MD
- Jeffrey Hagen MD
- Michael Roach MD

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Team Members - Support Staff

Dietitian - Liz Koch
 Nurses

- Matthew Carpenter RN
- Brandon Galloway LPN

Navigator - Laura Swift

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