

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")

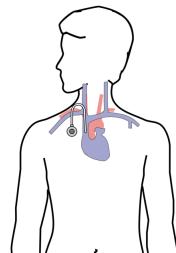
- IV catheter placed in vein of hand or arm
- Allows administration of chemo and fluids
- Placed for each dose
- Removed that day
- Not suitable for FLOT chemo



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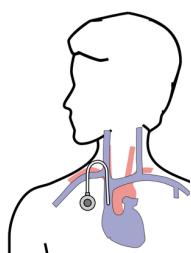
- Implantable device makes chemo easier
- May shower in 24 hrs
- No special care at home
- OK for FLOT chemo
- Allows for blood draws



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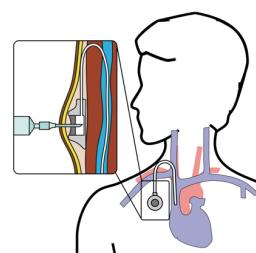
- Implanted under skin
- Neck incision (1/4")
- Incision below the collarbone
- Sutures dissolve
- "Super glue" on incisions



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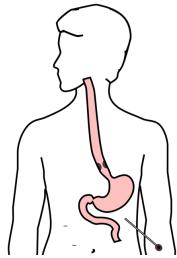
When it is time for chemotherapy, a needle is inserted through the skin into the port



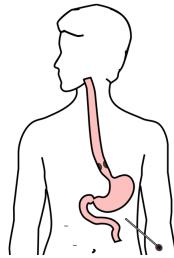
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Laparoscopy

- 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

**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

Team Members - Support Staff

- Dietitian - Liz Koch
 Nurses
- Matthew Carpenter RN
 - Brandon Galloway LPN
- Navigator - Laura Swift

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