

Facing Surgery?



Today, complex conditions like cancers of the prostate, cervix, uterus, lung, colon/rectum, as well as heart disease and fibroid tumors can be treated minimally invasively with *da Vinci*[®] Surgery. *da Vinci* is a robotic surgical system that provides your surgeon with enhanced vision, precision, dexterity and control. It requires only a few small incisions so you can get back to your life faster^{1,2,3,4} without the usual recovery following traditional open surgery.

Learn why *da Vinci* Surgery may be your best treatment option.

Talk to your doctor and visit:
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***da Vinci* Surgery**

Are You a Candidate for *da Vinci* Surgery?

Only you and your doctor can decide whether *da Vinci*® Surgery is right for you. Bringing this checklist to your appointment may help you to discuss any health concerns with your doctor.

My symptom(s) or condition(s) are: _____

Please check all that apply:*

- I would like to avoid a large incision and scar.⁵
- I want the shortest hospital stay possible.^{3,4,6,7}
- I want the least amount of blood loss possible.^{4,6,7,8}
- I'm hoping for the least amount of pain or use of narcotic pain medicine.^{3,9,10,11}
- I would like a fast recovery.^{1,2,3,4}

*The following procedures are represented in all stated claims and referenced publications herein: *da Vinci* Surgery as a treatment for cancers of the prostate, cervix, uterus (endometrium), rectum and lung, as well as coronary artery disease and fibroid tumors. Claims are based on comparisons to open surgery. Longterm data for head & neck procedures are not yet available. ¹Bell MC, et al. Comparison of outcomes and cost for endometrial cancer staging via traditional laparotomy, standard laparoscopy, and robotic techniques. *Gynecologic Oncology* III 2008;407-411. ²Miller J, et al. Prospective evaluation of short-term impact and recovery of health related quality of life in men undergoing robotic assisted laparoscopic radical prostatectomy versus open radical prostatectomy. *J Urol.* 2007 Sep;178(3 Pt 1):854-8; discussion 859. Epub 2007 Jul 16. ³Park JS, et al. S052: a comparison of robot-assisted, laparoscopic, and open surgery in the treatment of rectal cancer. *Surg Endosc.* 2011 Jan;25(1):240-8. Epub 2010 Jun 15. ⁴Poston RS, et al. Comparison of economic and patient outcomes with minimally invasive versus traditional off-pump coronary artery bypass grafting techniques. *Ann Surg.* 2008 Oct;248(4):638-46. ⁵Data on file with Intuitive Surgical, Inc. ⁶Health Information and Quality Authority (HIQA), reporting to the Minister of Health-Ireland. Health technology assessment of robot-assisted surgery in selected surgical procedures, 21 September 2011. ⁷Landeen LB, et al. Clinical and cost comparisons for hysterectomy via abdominal, standard laparoscopic, vaginal and robot-assisted approaches. *S D Med.* 2011 Jun;64(6):197-9, 201, 203 passim. ⁸deSouza AL, et al. A comparison of open and robotic total mesorectal excision for rectal adenocarcinoma. *Dis Colon Rectum.* 2011 Mar;54(3):275-82. ⁹Cerfolio RJ, et al. Initial consecutive experience of completely portal robotic pulmonary resection with 4 arms. *J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg.* 2011 Oct;142(4):740-6. Epub 2011 Aug 15. ¹⁰Lowe MP, et al. A comparison of robot-assisted and traditional radical hysterectomy for early-stage cervical cancer. *Journal of Robotic Surgery* 2009:1-5. ¹¹Menon M, et al. Prospective comparison of radical retropubic prostatectomy and robot-assisted anatomic prostatectomy: the Vattikuti Urology Institute experience. *Urology.* 2002 Nov;60(5):864-8.

While clinical studies support the use of the *da Vinci*® Surgical System as an effective tool for minimally invasive surgery for specific indications, individual results may vary. There are no guarantees of outcome. All surgeries involve the risk of major complications. Before you decide on surgery, discuss treatment options with your doctor. Understanding the risks of each treatment can help you make the best decision for your individual situation. Surgery with the *da Vinci* Surgical System may not be appropriate for every individual; it may not be applicable to your condition. Always ask your doctor about all treatment options, as well as their risks and benefits. Only your doctor can determine whether *da Vinci* Surgery is appropriate for your situation. All people depicted unless otherwise noted are models. © 2012 Intuitive Surgical. All rights reserved. *Intuitive, Intuitive Surgical, da Vinci, da Vinci S, da Vinci Si, Single-Site, InSite, TilePro and EndoWrist* are trademarks or registered trademarks of Intuitive Surgical. All other product names are trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective holders. PN 871975 Rev D 03/12