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Our urgent care clinics are open. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we've made some changes to our urgent care clinics to ensure you can get the care you need when you need it, while keeping you and our team safe. [Learn more about these changes.](#)

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What should I do if I have COVID-19 symptoms?

As we navigate the COVID-19 pandemic together, you can count on us for the care you and your family need. If you think you've been exposed to COVID-19 or are experiencing *symptoms*, start with our *COVID-19 Symptom Checker* or call 866-443-2584. Learn more in our *Resource Center*.

I Have a Provider

If you already have a provider in our system and an account for our online patient portal, you can view available openings and request an appointment by signing in. Hoping to be seen today? If your provider has an opening available, you can request a same-day appointment with them.

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Wait times at our urgent care centers are listed online. And you can reserve your spot before you come in to help minimize your wait. For emergencies, always dial 911.

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- [Preparing for your hospital visit](#)
- [Preparing for your surgery](#)
- [Get medical records](#)

Registration Documents

Find the registration documents you may need to acknowledge for your clinic or hospital visit.

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You can find a full list of insurance providers we work with as well as a number of billing and payment resources including – top FAQs, payment options and secure online payment tools.

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Stay informed about your care, rights and responsibilities as well as how we keep your information confidential and secure.

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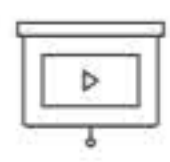
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A Leader in Innovation

At the Aurora Neuroscience Innovation Institute (ANII), our core commitment to minimally invasive surgical options for neurological disorders has made us one of the most advanced facilities of our kind. When you choose us as your partner in neurological care, you'll work with a multidisciplinary team of experts who'll utilize the most innovative medical techniques and technologies available today.



Surgical Innovations

Our Approach to Care

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Search our neurological conditions library

Enter a Condition (e.g. Parkinson's Disease)

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Meet the Team

The ANII team is a group of world-renowned neurosurgeons, neurologists and other specialists who strive to provide the most advanced, collaborative and compassionate care possible.

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Advancements in Neuroscience

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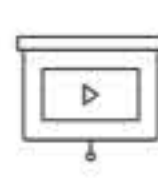
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Aurora Spine Services

Getting You Back to You

Sometimes home remedies and rest are enough to chase back pain away. But if pain lingers or keeps you from enjoying life, it's time to seek care from Wisconsin's spine experts.



Overview

Most people experience back pain at some point in their lives. Not only does it hurt – it can disrupt your work life and keep you from enjoying your favorite activities.

Aurora Spine Services offers cutting-edge back and spine treatments from an integrated team of expert providers. In many cases, back pain can be managed with less invasive options like chiropractic, acupuncture and massage. That's why our team includes spine physiatrists, physical therapists and integrative medicine experts in addition to top surgeons.

If surgery is necessary, we offer minimally invasive options whenever possible – so you can get the care you need and get back to feeling like you again.

Conditions

Arthritis

Bulging Disc

Chiari Malformation

Compression Fracture

Degenerative Disc Disease

Foot Drop

Herniated Disc

Low Back Pain

Neck Pain

Osteoporosis

Piriformis Syndrome

Radiculopathy

Sciatica

Scoliosis

Spinal Stenosis

Spinal Tumor

Spinal Vascular Malformation

Spondylolisthesis

Spondylosis

Synovial Cyst

Syringomyelia

Services & Treatments

Here's some great news: Back pain – even lower back pain – often goes away on its own in a few days or weeks. Home remedies and rest may be enough to heal you. But if the pain doesn't go away or you're not able to do simple movements, it's time for expert help.

Our multidisciplinary team of physicians specializes in general back and neck pain, lower back pain, spine pain, muscle strains, herniated discs or slipped discs, bulging discs, sciatica, sciatic nerve pain, lumbar stenosis, spinal fractures, spinal tumors and many other back and spine-related conditions.

Your back pain treatment options might include:

Nonsurgical Treatment Options

- Spine physiatry** – Spine physiatrists are nonsurgical spine physicians trained in physical medicine and rehabilitation. They have extra training in the diagnosis and treatment of back and spine-related conditions. For some patients, spine physiatry may involve receiving precise spinal injections that are administered under X-ray guidance.
- Pain management** – Medication and other pain relieving therapies can improve your quality of life by allowing you to stay active. Through our program, you'll be connected with specially trained non-interventional pain management physicians and specialists.
- Diagnostic services** (imaging, lab)
- Rehabilitation**, including:
 - Physical therapy
 - Spine physical therapy – Spine physical therapists have special training in spine-related conditions. They can help you reduce your pain and recover lost function through assessment, exercise, and education.
 - Occupational therapy
 - Work specialty therapy ergonomics
 - Functional capacity evaluation
 - Aquatics
- Integrative medicine**
 - Acupuncture originated in ancient China and is rooted in the biophysical model of health care. At Aurora, our certified acupuncturists insert very fine needles into skin to stimulate the body's natural healing response, which can help alleviate distressing physical, emotional and mental symptoms associated with back pain. Dry needling is a similar process that takes a biomedical approach, in which physical therapists use acupuncture needles to alleviate the physical symptoms of back pain.
 - Chiropractic – Chiropractors with specialized training in spine manipulation can tailor your treatment to your specific spinal condition, helping to reduce or eliminate back pain altogether.
 - Craniosacral therapy – This touch-based therapy is used to heal and enhance the craniosacral system, which consists of the membranes and fluid that surround the brain and spine.
 - Massage therapy – Massage can alleviate back pain by decreasing stress and muscle tightness and increasing blood flow to the affected area.
- Behavioral health** – Because the mind and body are intrinsically linked, mental and emotional stress can trigger physical back problems. Working with a behavioral health and pain psychologist to improve your emotional and mental state can often relieve back pain.
- Interventional pain** – When less invasive options aren't helping, X-ray guided spinal injections given by pain fellowship-trained anesthesiologists can help with chronic spinal pain. For instance, an epidural injection is one type of spinal injection that may provide relief from chronic pain.
- Community-based services**, including:
 - Yoga
 - Pilates
 - Tai chi
 - Support groups

Ready to tackle your back pain?

Our Back and Neck Pain Assessment helps evaluate your symptoms, risk factors and overall spinal health. [Take the Quiz](#)

Surgical Treatment Options

- Spine Surgery**
 - Microdiscectomy
 - Anterior Cervical Disectomy and Fusion
 - Laminectomy
 - Lumbar Spinal Fusion
 - Minimally Invasive Spine Surgery (MISS)
 - Kyphoplasty
 - Vertebroplasty
 - Robotic Spine Surgery
- CyberKnife**

Find Spine Care Near You

Aurora Spine Services makes it easier for you to get back to the things that matter most. With a single entry point and your own care coordinator, you'll be connected to an integrated team of specialists all working together on your personalized treatment plan. Learn more about our spine experts in eastern Wisconsin.

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Our multidisciplinary team of neuroscience specialists has experience and expertise diagnosing and treating a wide variety of brain and skull base conditions — including brain tumors, brain aneurysms, neurological disorders, and non-cancerous tumors in the brain or pituitary gland.

When surgery is recommended, Aurora is a leader in minimally invasive surgical techniques that result in lower complication rates and a faster recovery.

Aurora Difference

Compassionate, Cutting-Edge Care for Neurological Disorders

Aurora Health Care is a destination for brain and skull base care because of our advanced surgical technologies and compassionate, personalized approach to care. We offer:

- The most advanced surgical techniques available today for the treatment of brain tumors and other neurological disorders. Many of these techniques, including *Brain Mapping*, *Expanded Endonasal Approach* and *Cyberknife®* Technology were pioneered right here at Aurora.
- A dedicated Care Coordinator who will answer your questions, schedule appointments and explain exactly what you can expect throughout your treatment.
- A multidisciplinary team of specialists and experts with advanced training in the treatment of brain and skull base conditions, including traumatic brain injury, brain hemorrhage, brain aneurysm and brain tumors.
- Minimally invasive surgical approaches, many of which let you stay awake during surgery. These minimally invasive techniques can lead to smaller surgical incisions, shorter stays in the hospital and faster recovery times.

Conditions

Cranial Conditions

Aurora is committed to the early diagnosis and innovative treatment of a wide variety of cranial conditions, including primary and metastatic brain tumors of all kinds. We offer advanced care for:

- Arteriovenous Malformation*
- Brain Aneurysm*
- Brain Hemorrhage*
- Brain Injury & Trauma*
- Brain Tumor*
- Cavernous Malformation*
- Chiari Malformation*
- Craniofacial Malformation*
- Normal Pressure Hydrocephalus (NPH)*

Peripheral/Cranial Nerve Conditions

At Aurora, peripheral/cranial nerve conditions are treated by a multidisciplinary team of specialists. These experts have deep experience diagnosing and treating a wide variety of nerve and neurological disorders, including:

- Brachial Plexus Injury
- Cranial Nerve Palsy
- Dyesthesia
- Hemifacial spasm*
- Neuromyelitis Optica
- Peripheral Nerve Injury
- Peripheral Nerve Tumor
- Trigeminal Neuralgia*

Services & Treatment

Treatment for Brain Tumors and Other Neurological Disorders

From traumatic brain injury to neurological disorders of all kinds, our team will work with you to develop the best treatment plan for your condition. Our advanced surgical treatments include:

- **Brain mapping** – this cutting-edge technology can be used to diagnose chronic conditions, locate brain tumors, and help us decide which type of surgery will benefit you most. Thanks to 3D technology, brain mapping can help your surgeon see the difference between healthy brain tissue and diseased tissue, and create a 3D map of your brain to better navigate your surgery. Learn more about *brain mapping*.
- **Craniotomy** – during a craniotomy, a small part of your skull is removed so your surgeon can access your brain. After the procedure – which can be used to remove tumors, treat traumatic brain injury or clip aneurysms – your surgeon replaces the skull with tiny screws and plates. Learn more about *craniotomy*.
- **Expanded Endonasal Approach (EEA)** – this minimally invasive procedure allows your surgeon to enter the skull base through the nose and access skull base tumors without the need for open skull base surgery. Find out more about *Expanded Endonasal Approach (EEA)*.
- **Microvascular Decompression** – also known as MVD, this treatment can ease the painful spasms and twitching associated with cranial nerve conditions like hemifacial spasm and trigeminal neuralgia. During the procedure, the nerves are cushioned with tiny Teflon pillows in order to provide long-term symptom relief. Learn more about *microvascular decompression*.
- **Neuroradiologic care** – this minimally invasive procedure is used to diagnose and treat brain and skull base conditions like blood clots in the brain, brain aneurysms and arteriovenous malformations. Dive deeper into *neuroradiologic care*.

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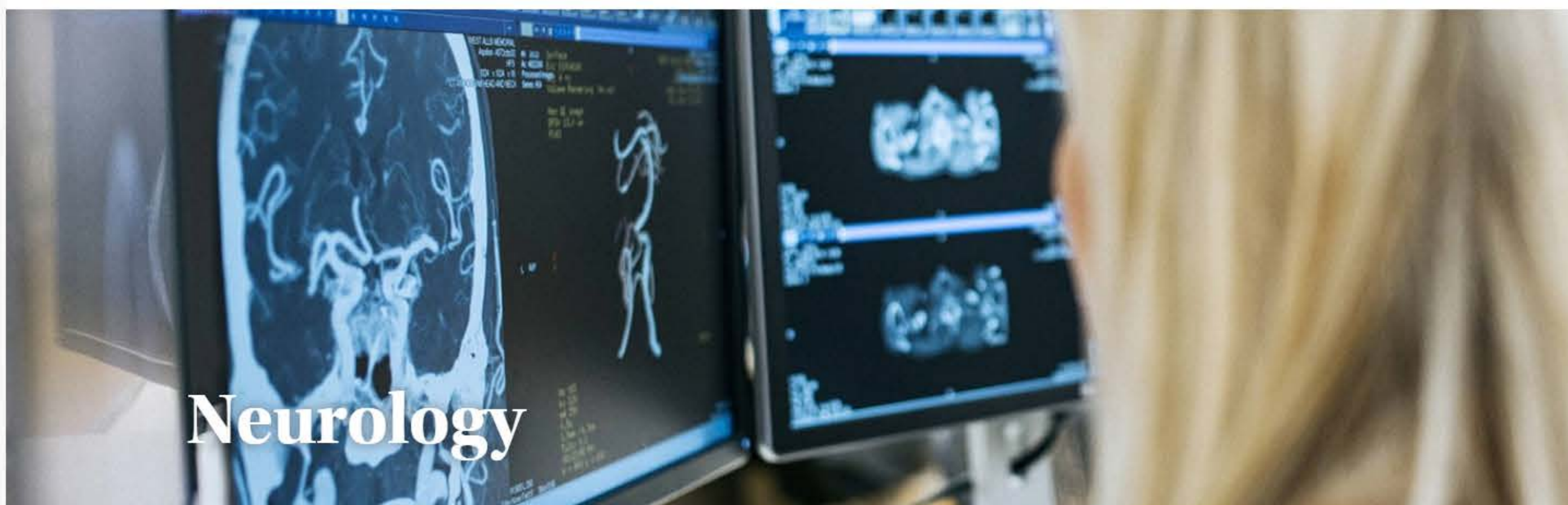
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Neurological Care

Chronic headaches. Degenerative neurological disorders. Persistent muscle pain or neuropathy. At Aurora, we understand that medical issues like these require experienced, compassionate care. Our multidisciplinary team will identify the source of your neurological condition with state-of-the-art diagnostic services and provide treatment tailored to your needs and goals.

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Aurora Difference

Top Neurologists. Integrated Care. Personalized Treatment.

Many neurological disorders—Alzheimer's, Parkinson's disease, epilepsy and MS—require long-term care and complex treatment plans. That's why it's important to work with an experienced team that has a deep understanding of your condition.

Our advanced approach to neurological care includes:

- **An integrated healing approach**—we focus first on nonsurgical treatment methods like *physical therapy*, diet changes, medication and *integrative medicine*. If surgery is needed, we offer some of the most advanced, minimally invasive neurosurgical techniques available today. Learn more about *neurosurgery*.
- **Advanced, accurate diagnosis**—our neuroradiology procedures are used to diagnose and treat brain and spine problems, including brain aneurysms and chronic pain. These minimally invasive techniques make use of first-in-class technology and offer a faster diagnosis and recovery. Find out about *neuroradiologic care*.
- **Compassionate care for chronic conditions**—we've pioneered some of the world's most advanced neurological treatments. But you're still at the heart of our care. If you or a loved one has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's, multiple sclerosis or another neurological condition, you can trust that the care received at Aurora Health Care will be both cutting-edge and compassionate. Learn more about our *surgical innovations*.
- **In-home disease management**—When your health keeps you at home, we offer the support you need. Our Aurora Health at Home team can educate your family, monitor your fall risk and provide therapy wherever you live. Learn how we can help you *manage chronic disease at home*.

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Neurological Conditions We Treat

The neurological conditions we treat include a wide variety of movement, memory, neuromuscular and nerve disorders. Some of these conditions—like Alzheimer's disease and dementia—primarily affect the brain. Others, like Parkinson's and MS, primarily affect the body. In the same way, some neurological conditions cause memory loss, while others cause chronic pain.

Whether you're seeking treatment for epilepsy, neuropathy, migraines or balance problems, our experienced team will work with you to develop a treatment plan that's right for you.

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Services & Treatment

Neurological Services & Treatment

Just as no two people are exactly alike, no two conditions are exactly alike. That's why we take into account things like lifestyle, age, diet and genetics when creating your treatment plan.

Depending on your diagnosis, you may benefit from both surgical and non-surgical treatment methods. Our experienced team of neurologists and neurosurgeons will work with you to create a treatment plan that's both effective and right for you.

Non-Surgical Treatments

Non-surgical treatments for neurological conditions may include:

- *Physical therapy*
- Dietary changes
- Medications
- *Integrative medicine*, including meditation, yoga and tai chi

Surgical Treatments

When non-surgical treatments are ineffective or only partially effective, we may recommend a type of *neurosurgery*. Whenever possible, our procedures are minimally invasive to allow for shorter hospital stays and faster recoveries.

Types of neurosurgery used to treat neurological conditions include:

- **Craniotomy** — during this procedure, part of the skull is removed to gain access to the brain. Craniotomy can be used to relieve pressure, repair an aneurysm or drain a blood clot. It can also be used to insert a stimulator — an often effective treatment for Parkinson's disease. Learn more about *craniotomy*.
- **Brain Mapping** — advanced brain mapping can be used to create a 3D map of your brain. This helps your surgeon see where individual brain functions — like movement and memory — are located. It can also help them spot diseased tissue or create a personalized roadmap for your surgery. Find out about *brain mapping*.

In addition to these techniques, our neurologists have pioneered other advanced surgical techniques and technology that are on the forefront of neuroscience. Learn more about our *surgical innovations in neuroscience*.



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Minimally Invasive Approach to TAVR

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Search our heart, vascular and thoracic (lungs and chest) conditions library.

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We're Wisconsin's No. 1 Source for Heart and Vascular Care.

Unmatched Cardiovascular Expertise

We have developed new, minimally invasive techniques for hybrid ablation and valve replacement. Our surgeons have tremendous experience in VAD and heart pump implantation, as well as heart transplant.

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The Latest Research & Clinical Trials

We helped develop many treatments used today, from coronary bypass techniques to replacement heart valves to atrial fibrillation surgery. This means you'll have access to the latest technology as soon as it is available. And you'll receive heart care from surgeons and doctors who have unmatched expertise in selecting the right treatment for you.

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Cutting-Edge Facilities, Technology & Equipment

We provide our doctors the latest, most advanced equipment and technology. We constantly update our tools and skills to offer you the very best, including completely modernized surgical rooms.

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Meet Our Team

Our team includes more than 100 renowned heart, vascular and thoracic specialists, all focused on bringing you the most innovative and effective care possible.

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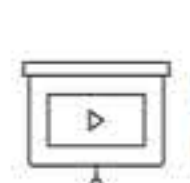
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Diagnosis & Testing

We use a wide range of diagnostic tools, beginning with the most minimally invasive tests. We have the latest technology, including Wisconsin's only 4-D ultrasound to visualize the heart in motion.

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These scans reveal your risk for coronary heart disease, the most common form. Scans are simple, non-invasive, and results come back fast.

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Center for Advanced Heart Failure Therapies

At the Donald and Rosemary Tendick, Sr. Clinic for Advanced Heart Failure Therapies, we're passionate about lifesaving treatment that builds on our 50-year legacy.

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Vascular Services

Our accomplished vascular (vein-related) medicine program treats more people for vein problems than any other health system in Wisconsin – and with excellent results.

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Cardiovascular Surgery

We combine experience, technology and compassion in more heart and vascular surgeries than anyone in Wisconsin, including open heart surgery, TAVR and CABG.

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Thoracic Surgery

Our expertise treating chest and lung conditions, along with our minimally invasive treatments, earned a 3-star quality rating from the Society of Thoracic Surgeons (STS).

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Emergency Heart Care

We're the region's leader in heart care during and after an emergency. We provide fast, expert evaluation and treatment and world-class resources.

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Cardiac Electrophysiology

As one of the oldest and most active cardiac electrophysiology programs in the U.S., we offer innovative, effective treatments for heart arrhythmia conditions.

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Cardiac Rehabilitation

Cardiac rehabilitation offers support, education and coaching after a heart attack or heart surgery. We offer cardiac rehab services at 14 locations.

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Anticoagulation Clinics

Our Anticoagulation Clinics, at 23 locations throughout Wisconsin and northern Illinois, provide blood testing, dosing instructions and education to help you manage anti-clotting therapy.

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Interventional Cardiology

We use the latest medical tools, including sophisticated 4-D ultrasound imaging. Our hybrid catheterization labs offer some of the region's leading expertise in minimally invasive cardiovascular treatment.

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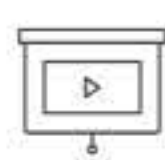
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What is the TAVR heart procedure?

TAVR is a lifesaving, minimally invasive surgical procedure that's used to treat aortic stenosis. Aortic stenosis happens when your heart valve is too narrow or stiff due to calcium buildup, and blood can't flow freely through the valve. This condition can make it hard to breathe and can even be life-threatening.

During a transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR) — sometimes called an implantation (TAVI) — your surgeon inserts a replacement aortic valve to the site of the damaged aortic valve using a catheter. After the new aortic valve is put in place, it starts to take over the work of the damaged valve and regulate blood flow on its own.

Aurora Health Care offers the largest and most experienced TAVR program in the region. As pioneers in this minimally invasive approach, we've helped more than 1,000 people regain their heart valve function, their energy and the lives they love.

World-Class Care

Wisconsin's Largest TAVR Procedure Program

Our interventional cardiologists performed the first TAVR procedure in Wisconsin. Today, we perform more replacements than any other health system in the region.

- **Unmatched experience:** We have completed more than 1,000 TAVR procedures, making us one of the highest volume TAVR centers in the state. Our program is one of the top five in the U.S. based on the number of people we treat, results, clinical trials and training.
- **Effective care:** Our program draws people from around the world who have been told they have no other treatment options. And people who have a TAVR go home 3 days sooner, on average, than those who have traditional heart valve replacement. Learn more about [heart valve repair and replacement](#).
- **Advanced procedures:** Because of our high volume of complex heart procedures, we can provide people with access to advanced technology that no other system in Wisconsin can offer. Plus, we offer multiple active clinical trials that offer the latest treatment methods not widely available. Find out more about [clinical trials and cardiovascular research](#).
- **Team collaboration:** Our top TAVR surgeons and cardiologists work together to perform complex procedures that are less invasive. In the case of TAVR, we use only a small hole in the groin or chest to insert the catheter. Our team approach can result in better experiences and superior results after surgery. [Meet our cardiovascular and thoracic team](#).
- **Leader in the field:** In 2015, we were designated a national TAVR physician training center. That means we don't just have hospitals that do TAVR — we also host Wisconsin's largest physician fellowship training program. In addition to having some of the best aortic valve replacement surgeons in the world, we're teaching others so that they can benefit from our expertise. Read more about our [accomplishments](#).

TAVR Vs Open Heart

TAVR Vs Open Heart Surgery

In many cases, aortic valve replacement requires open heart surgery. During this surgery, known as a sternotomy, surgeons open a patient's chest so they can access the aortic valve.

But for some people, open heart surgery to replace the aortic valve isn't an option because of their health or scarring from previous heart surgery.

If traditional valve replacement surgery is considered too high-risk, TAVR is FDA-approved to address and correct diseased and damaged aortic valves. Because it is minimally invasive, the risk of major complications is lowered and hospital stays tend to be shorter.

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Try our search tool to find the TAVR specialist who's right for you.

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TAVR Steps

TAVR, Step-by-Step: Before, During and After Your Procedure

TAVR is a minimally invasive procedure to replace the aortic valve and treat aortic stenosis. Doctors perform TAVR by inserting a replacement valve through a blood vessel in the groin or small incision in the chest. This makes opening the chest unnecessary.

TAVR requires only a small incision to insert the catheters (thin, flexible tubes) and takes less time than traditional open heart surgery. These benefits plus avoiding the need to open the breastbone result in a shorter recovery time.

Before the TAVR Procedure

Before you have a TAVR procedure, you'll have a few medical tests, such as:

- A [cardiac catheterization](#) to check the arteries in your heart
- A CAT scan of your chest and abdomen to help our team choose the right size of replacement valve
- Pulmonary function testing to evaluate your breathing
- Lab tests to check your kidney function, electrolytes and blood counts

During the TAVR Procedure

We perform TAVR in our hybrid cardiac cath (catheterization) lab. The anesthesiologist (doctor who puts you to sleep and manages pain), cardiologist (heart specialist) and heart surgeon work together to perform the procedure.

1. You'll be asleep under conscious sedation throughout the procedure.
2. We'll closely monitor your blood pressure, heart rate and breathing.
3. The doctor threads a catheter through a small incision in your groin or chest.
4. We place the new valve inside the old aortic valve.
5. Once the replacement valve is in place, we expand it so that it pushes the old valve aside and takes over the function.
6. This artificial valve allows blood to flow more efficiently through the heart.

The procedure takes about one and a half hours, less time than [open heart surgery](#).

After the TAVR Procedure

After we complete the heart valve replacement, you'll go to a recovery room or the intensive care unit (ICU).

1. You'll be in the ICU for one to two days.
2. If you've stayed in the ICU, you'll move next to the cardiac step-down unit.
3. You'll work with physical and occupational therapists and [cardiac rehab](#) staff to start moving around again.
4. Most people go home after two to four days.
5. You can expect about a one-week recovery period.

Most people receive a blood thinner, such as aspirin and/or clopidogrel (Plavix®), after the procedure. You'll keep taking this medication until your doctor says it's OK to stop.

TAVR Risks

TAVR Risks and Complications

Like all procedures, there are certain risks and complications involved when undergoing a TAVR. These could range from issues with the replacement valve to heart rhythm abnormalities or infection, and in rare cases, death.

If you're wondering if a TAVR procedure is safe, know that it's often the best choice for patients with intermediate or advanced aortic stenosis. For these people, TAVR may actually improve overall health and lower the risk of death.

TAVR Procedure Survival Rates

The main benefits of a TAVR procedure include shorter hospital stays and fewer major complications than open heart surgery. According to the [American College of Cardiology](#), survival rates between TAVR and open heart surgery are similar in the two years following the procedure for high-risk patients.

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Muriel first noticed something was wrong when she was too tired for the hobbies she loved. See how TAVR gave this 89-year-old grandmother her life back.

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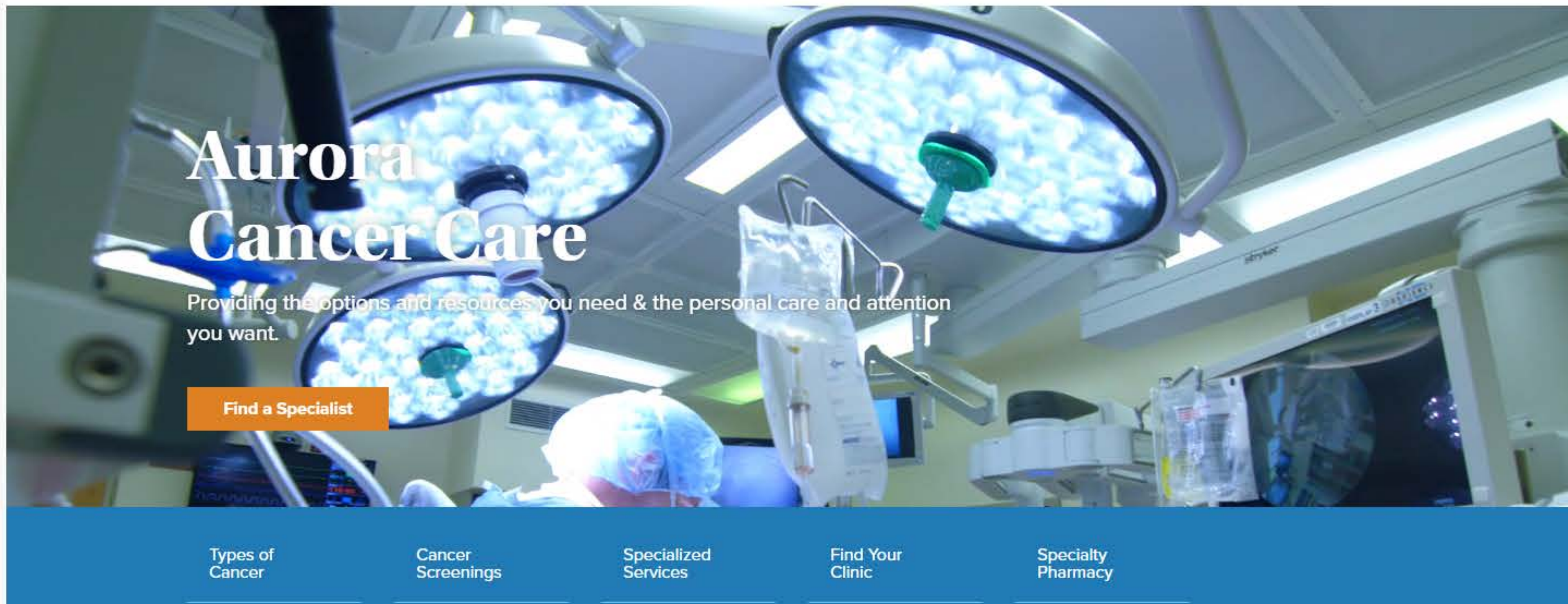
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