If you have breast or gynecologic (GYN) cancer, you now have a circle of support and a team of doctors and nurses who work every day to give you the best chance at beating cancer. The Breast & GYN Cancer Pavilion is the only one of its kind in the country where the combined expertise of Woman’s Hospital and Mary Bird Perkins – Our Lady of the Lake Cancer Center provides the most coordinated and advanced cancer care to women in one location.

Your Cancer Care Path

- Specialized medical experts
- Extensive treatment options
- The latest national clinical trials
- Vast support resources

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Your Diagnosis

An abnormal screening mammogram is usually the first indicator that you should see a physician. Woman’s Advanced Imaging is able to diagnose your condition through 3D diagnostic mammography, stereotactic breast biopsy, MRI, breast ultrasound, ultrasound-guided breast biopsy and/or breast needle localization.
On-Site Surgery
Connected to the Pavilion, Woman’s Same Day Surgery Center is designed to provide convenient outpatient surgery. Inpatient procedures are performed on campus in Woman’s Surgical Unit.

Your Surgery
Most women will undergo some form of surgery when diagnosed with breast or gynecologic cancer. A physical transformation is emotionally and physically demanding, that’s why our surgeons focus solely on breast and gynecologic cancers.

Breast cancer surgery at the Pavilion is performed by specialized surgeons, including one of the few board-certified breast surgical oncologists in Louisiana, who offer the most advanced procedures, including:
- Nipple-Sparing Mastectomies
- Hidden Scar™ Surgery
- Advanced Reconstruction Options

Oncoplastic surgery techniques enable a patient to receive a lumpectomy while lifting the breast and ensuring symmetry with the opposite breast at one time.

Gynecologic cancer surgery is performed by gynecologic oncologists using the da Vinci® surgical robotic system. Designed specifically to perform complex gynecologic surgeries, this minimally invasive alternative to open surgery reduces many of the costs and complications associated with open procedures.

Your Oncology Care
Choosing the right medical oncologist is important because they will guide you through treatment from diagnosis to survivorship. Your physician is your main care coordinator. Our physicians specialize in diagnosing and treating breast and ovarian cancer using chemotherapy, hormonal therapy, biological therapy and targeted therapy.

Radiation Therapy uses high-energy radiation to shrink tumors. Our radiation oncologists specialize in numerous state-of-the-art technology treatment systems designed to treat cancer and preserve healthy cells.

- Elekta Infinity™ & Elekta Agility™ are superior technologies for radiation delivery. They work together to precisely deliver a defined dose of radiation while minimizing exposure to healthy tissues and organs.
- High-Dose Rate (HDR) Brachytherapy treats gynecologic cancers by delivering a high dose of radiation directly to the tumor area. We designed this unique treatment space for ultimate patient comfort; everything is brought to the patient’s bedside so she never has to leave the room. This approach is unique to only a few facilities in the country.
- GE Discovery IQ™ technology blends PET and CT images into one image for greater accuracy. Its advanced capabilities and image quality are critical in detecting the smallest tumors, staging, restaging and developing customized treatment plans.

Infusion/Chemotherapy spaces were designed for maximum comfort and convenience by enveloping women in a soothing and calming environment.

- 16 spacious infusion suites with TVs, heated chairs, headsets and Wi-Fi for mobile devices
- The region’s only “cooling cap” to reduce hair loss during chemotherapy treatment
- Clinical Pharmacy is on-site to reduce wait times for chemotherapy drugs

Medical Oncology Lab is located next door to the Infusion area, so blood work before treatment is fast and convenient for women. Lab results are quickly delivered to physicians, blood count tests take only five minutes, and general chemistry tests take about 30 minutes.

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Your Clinical Trials

We want to find a cure for breast and gynecologic cancer as much as you do. That’s why we offer the latest National Cancer Institute clinical trials at the Pavilion. This research will lead the way for future cures. All women are screened for participation in studies that include prevention, detection, treatment and survivorship.

- Clinical trials enhance standard cancer treatments, resulting in improved patient outcomes and survival rates.
- We conduct oncology clinical trials to test new drugs, new combinations of drug treatments, new surgery, radiation therapies and new medical devices.

Your Support

A cancer diagnosis changes everything. You and your family are faced with many decisions that can impact your lives. We understand that you need extra guidance and hope.

- Nurse Navigators will help you understand and learn about your specific cancer. They are registered nurses who are trained to help you throughout your unique journey.
- Oncology-certified Social Workers help you and your family manage the emotional and social phases of your journey. We walk beside you.

Your Survivorship

At the Pavilion, care does not stop at the end of treatment. Your quality of life is important. We will help you find your way through the physical, emotional, mental and social changes caused by cancer—throughout your cancer journey.

Survivorship services are activities that keep the mind and body in balance. By reducing stress and encouraging serenity, we help families cope with the many steps of cancer through integrative medicine:

- Aromatherapy
- Healing arts
- Massage
- Mind-body support groups
- Mindfulness-based clinics
- Pet therapy
- Walking groups
- Yoga

Physical Therapy/Cancer Rehabilitation can help alleviate fatigue, weakness, insomnia, memory loss, fear, anxiety and depression associated with cancer treatments. We offer the region’s most extensive and qualified cancer rehabilitation services to women, including:

- Aquatic therapy
- Exercise
- Hearing therapy
- Speech therapy

Cosmetic services at the Pavilion focus on personal and self-esteem issues related to cancer:

- Nipple tattooing on breast reconstruction
- Eyebrow microblading due to hair loss
- Makeup application to manage skin changes

Nutrition can be hard to manage during treatment as your taste and ability to eat changes. We work to maintain your body’s health through one-on-one counseling, where we develop strategies to address your individual needs based on your cancer and course of treatment.
For more information, visit sisterhoodstrong.org or call (225) 215-7100.