

Esophageal Disease Program

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Conditions Treated

- Barrett's esophagus
- Esophageal cancer
- Achalasia
- Paraesophageal hernia
- Gastroesophageal reflux disease

Therapies

- Endoscopic ultrasound, endoscopic mucosal resection and endoscopic submucosal dissection for the staging and treatment of early esophageal cancers
- Minimally invasive esophagectomy
- Per-oral endoscopic myotomy (POEM) and laparoscopic Heller myotomy for achalasia
- Full range of manometry, 24-hour pH Bravo probe and impedance testing
- Endoscopic and surgical therapies for GERD using transoral fundoplication and LINX system
- Endoscopic stent placement and surgery for strictures

Distinguishing Features

- Multidisciplinary care of esophageal cancer, including interventional gastroenterologists, minimally invasive surgeons, radiation oncologists and medical oncologists
- First in Northeast Ohio to perform minimally invasive esophagectomy
- Lowest esophagectomy mortality rate in the nation
- First in the region to offer per-oral endoscopic myotomy (POEM) for the treatment of achalasia
- Leading Center in Barrett's Esophagus Translational Network, sponsored by the National Cancer Institute

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