



Experience Makes the Difference

A national leader

St. Francis Hospital, The Heart Center® is New York State's only specialty designated cardiac center and a nationally recognized leader in cardiac care. More cardiac procedures are performed at St. Francis than at any other hospital in New York State. In 2008, the following procedures were performed:

- 1,568 open-heart surgeries
- 4,516 electrophysiology studies including ablations (evaluation and treatment of abnormal heart rhythms), pacemakers and AICDs (implantable defibrillators)
- 3,544 percutaneous coronary interventions (angioplasties)
- 8,759 cardiac catheterizations

Unsurpassed experience

- In the past 10 years, over 100,000 cardiac catheterizations, 36,000 angioplasties, and 20,000 open-heart surgeries have been performed at St. Francis Hospital; studies consistently show that patients fare better when they go to physicians and hospitals that perform a high volume of procedures
- St. Francis performs the highest volume of cardiac arrhythmia procedures in the nation, treatments that include radiofrequency ablation and pacemaker and defibrillator implantation
- *U.S. News & World Report* named St. Francis one of America's best hospitals in three specialties: heart and heart surgery, digestive disorders and geriatrics (July 2008)
- St. Francis was selected as one of the best companies to work for in New York State by the Society for Human Resource Management, and it was the only hospital to make the list
- St. Francis Hospital is the recipient of the Magnet designation for excellence in nursing services, awarded to only 5 percent of American hospitals
- According to Castle Connolly, a leading medical research and information company, and *Newsday*, St. Francis has more "top doctors" for cardiac care than any other hospital on Long Island
- More than 99 of 100 patients say they would recommend the Hospital to family and friends, according to the Press Ganey Survey
- Accredited by The Joint Commission (2006-2009)



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An innovator in health care

- Recognized national leader in cardiac non-invasive imaging, including cardiac CT scanning, cardiac PET-CT scanning, cardiac magnetic resonance imaging (cardiac MRI), nuclear imaging, and three-dimensional echocardiography
- The Hospital is a premier center for clinical trials and studies of the applications of cardiac MRI technology, as well as other image-guided methods of diagnosis and treatment for cardiovascular disease
- St. Francis surgeons are experienced in all types of cardiac surgery, including minimally invasive procedures and off-pump coronary artery bypass surgery
- The Hospital is the leading center on Long Island for catheter-based treatment of congenital heart defects
- St. Francis offers a broad array of coronary, carotid and peripheral arterial angioplasty and stenting techniques, as well as abdominal aortic stenting
- The Hospital's Congestive Heart Failure Program offers specialized treatment, monitoring and support
- St. Francis offers an outstanding program in non-cardiac surgery, with some of the most advanced technology and minimally invasive surgical techniques available for vascular, orthopedic, ear-nose-throat (ENT), abdominal and prostate surgery, including the da Vinci surgical system for prostate surgery
- The Hospital recently opened the new Nancy & Frederick DeMatteis Pavilion, a 150,000-square-foot facility with 14 new state-of-the-art ORs that offer robotic surgery and feature high-definition video integration

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