



Destination Program: Center for Heart & Vascular Health



About the Center for Heart & Vascular Health

The cardiovascular surgeons at the Center for Heart & Vascular Health at ChristianaCare provide a complete range of sophisticated cardiovascular surgical services for the treatment of:

- Atherosclerosis (blocked arteries).
- Coronary artery disease.
- Valves requiring repair and replacement.
- Congestive heart failure.
- Arrhythmias (irregular or skipped heartbeats).
- Congenital heart ailments (those present from birth).

Why Choose ChristianaCare for Cardiac Care?

Your employees' health is in expert hands at ChristianaCare's Center for Heart and Vascular Health — a national, regional and local leader in heart care. Our board-certified cardiologists, cardiovascular surgeons and vascular specialists are among the nation's experts in the treatment and prevention of heart disease and stroke.

ChristianaCare's goals are to provide proven and innovative treatments for cardiovascular disease in conjunction with a multidisciplinary team approach focusing on patient and family-centered care.

ChristianaCare creates customizable care bundles tailored to the needs of your organization. From your employee's initial consult with a surgeon through the post-surgery follow-up, a ChristianaCare nurse navigator will ensure a seamless experience on their surgical journey. In addition, ChristianaCare has contracted with local hotels that fit the unique needs of our recovering patients. All the above benefits, coupled with transparent price predictability, make for a great employer solution while taking exceptional care of your employee population.

A Heart Team Approach to Care

ChristianaCare's structural heart team is comprised of interventional cardiologists, electrophysiologists, noninvasive cardiologists and cardiac surgeons. Plus, our dedicated nurse navigators help guide your employees through their evaluation process.

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Why ChristianaCare is the Health Behind Your Business

The goal of ChristianaCare's destination surgery program is to help you manage costly and complex health conditions. By viewing service delivery in a way that incorporates the clinical, financial, and service experience — we provide patients with a superior care experience and employers with more predictable costs and a healthier bottom line.

Our Business Health Solutions program is our approach to helping employers achieve their healthcare objectives. In addition to our destination surgical program, we focus on solutions that keep costs down, boost employee wellness and workforce productivity, and integrate services to offer accessible, high-quality, convenient care.

Awards and Recognition

The American College of Cardiology has recognized the Center for Heart and Vascular Health at ChristianaCare with its HeartCARE Center National Distinction of Excellence award 3 years consecutively. This independent recognition as a center of excellence, which has been awarded to fewer than 50 hospitals nationally, is reserved for those centers with proven, sustained excellence across medical, radiologic and surgical services for heart care. The Center for Heart and Vascular Health has received numerous other awards for excellence in chest pain, heart attack, and heart failure care and superior vascular and cardiac surgical services from the American Heart Association, the Society of Thoracic Surgeons, the Society of Vascular Surgeons, the Joint Commission and others.



Below, you will find just a few examples of how the Center for Heart and Vascular Health at ChristianaCare has improved patient outcomes through the years.

Key Outcome	Metric	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23TD	Outcome
Decrease turnaround time from consult to procedure	Days from consult to procedure date	40.3 days	30.4 days	26.7 days	26.9 days	28.7 days	-11.6 days
TAVR patients undergoing minimalist approach	% of total TAVR volumes	40%	89%	93.6%	95%	95%	137.5% increase
Decreased length of stay for TAVR patients	In hospital days	4.1 days	2.8 days	1.9 days	1 day	1 day	-3.1 days
All non-valve and valve-related readmissions	Average % of total TAVR volumes	9.9%	7.6%	0.6%	0.83%	1.9%	81% reduction

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