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**EXCELLENCE**  
**INNOVATION**  
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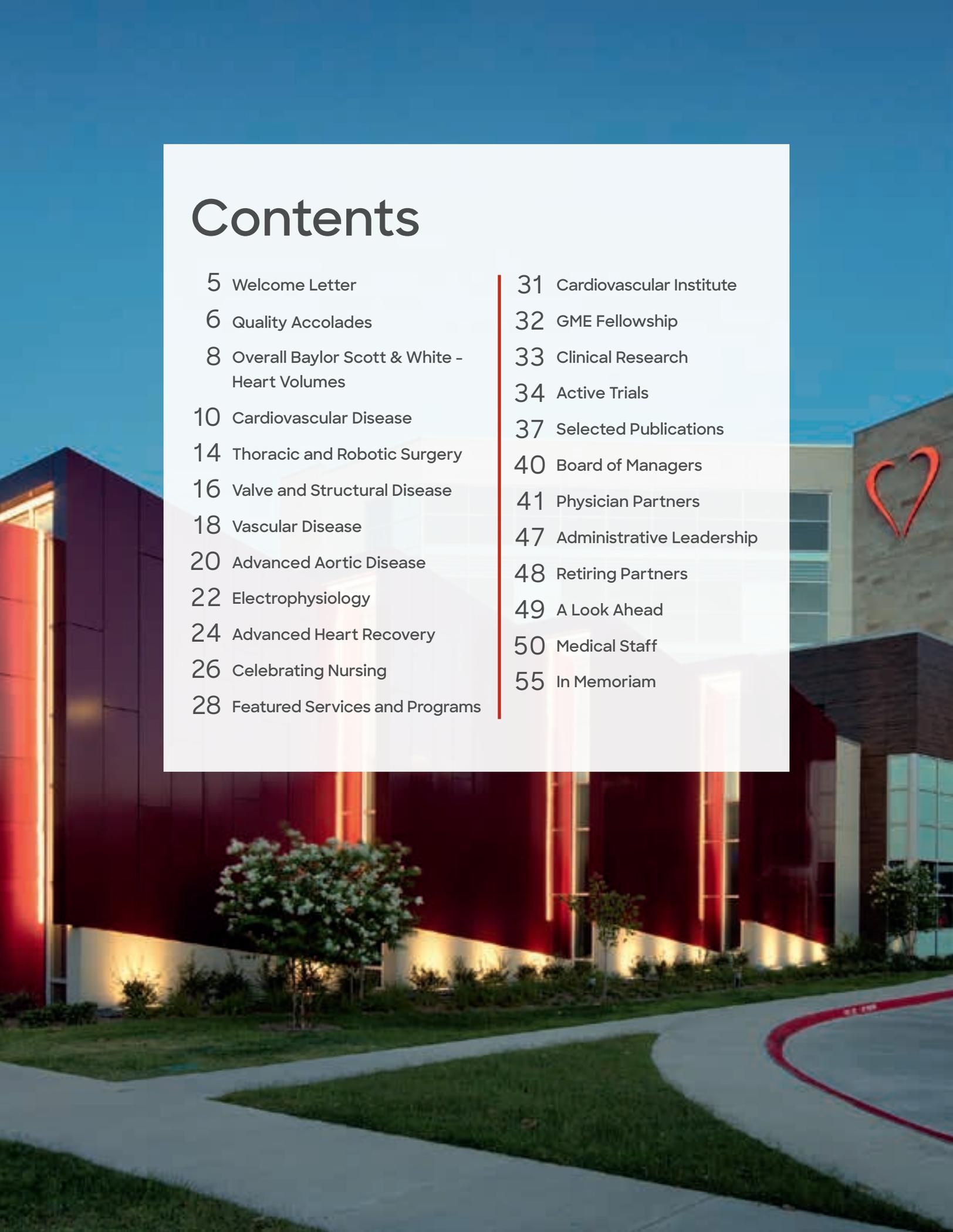
THE HEART HOSPITAL

DENTON • MCKINNEY • PLANO

*Joint ownership with physicians*

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“From the moment of our inception, the physicians on the medical staff at our hospitals and our leadership have carried out their vision. We strive to be a place where thoughtful review of quality metrics and an unwavering commitment to the high-quality treatment options for our patients. This dedication is embedded in all our thoughts, decisions and actions.”

**WILLIAM H. RYAN III, MD**  
CHIEF QUALITY OFFICER

## Warm welcome

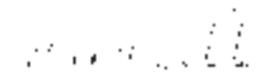
Excellence, innovation and passion succinctly describe who we are and **how we serve**.

**Excellence:** We are proud to highlight the most important achievements and outcomes of our growing heart and vascular enterprise, Baylor Scott & White The Heart Hospital, with locations in Plano, Denton, and McKinney. Through our nationally recognized awards and honors, we continue to reach unparalleled quality milestones that validate our strategic plan.

**Innovation:** With our presence in national clinical trials, utilization of AI and innovative technology in cardiovascular medicine, and the growth of our Graduate Medical Education programs, we continue to innovate on the front lines and prepare the future health leaders of tomorrow.

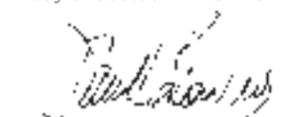
**Passion:** This year, we feature the incredible charity work that illustrates our long-lasting commitment to positively impact people's lives. It is the exceptional people of our hospitals who help us deliver on the promise of hope, healing, and health.



  
**Mark A. Valentine**  
President

Baylor Scott & White The Heart Hospital – Plano  
Baylor Scott & White The Heart Hospital – Denton  
Baylor Scott & White The Heart Hospital – McKinney



  
**David L. Brown, MD**  
President of Medical Staff Affairs

Baylor Scott & White The Heart Hospital – Plano  
Baylor Scott & White The Heart Hospital – Denton  
Baylor Scott & White The Heart Hospital – McKinney

# Our Quality Awards – 2023

## Achievements placing us among the elite



**Plano:**  
Among the first four hospitals nationwide and **first in Texas** to be verified



**3-Star** rating out of 3 stars in all **5 STS categories** for Plano

**3-Star** rating in **2 STS categories** for Denton



**Plano:**  
Achieved VQI **3-Stars** every year over **past 8 years**  
Top 10% of hospitals



**Plano:**  
Magnet Nursing Designation



**Denton:**  
Magnet Pathway Designation



**Plano:**  
Silver Level Award



**Plano and Denton:**  
2023 **Top 14%** nationally



**Plano:**  
2023 Premier **Top 50** Cardiovascular Hospital



**Plano**  
**#40** Cardiology, Heart and Vascular Surgery



**Plano:**  
2023 ECMO Gold Center of Excellence



Press Ganey:  
Pinnacle and Guardian of Excellence  
**Plano:** 29 time award winner  
**Denton:** Multi-time award winner



**Plano:**  
100 hospitals and health systems with great heart programs

## 2023 - 2024 Additional U.S. News & World Report High Performing Recognitions

Denton



Denton and Plano



Plano



## Newsweek

**Plano:**  
2024 World's Best Specialized Hospital List



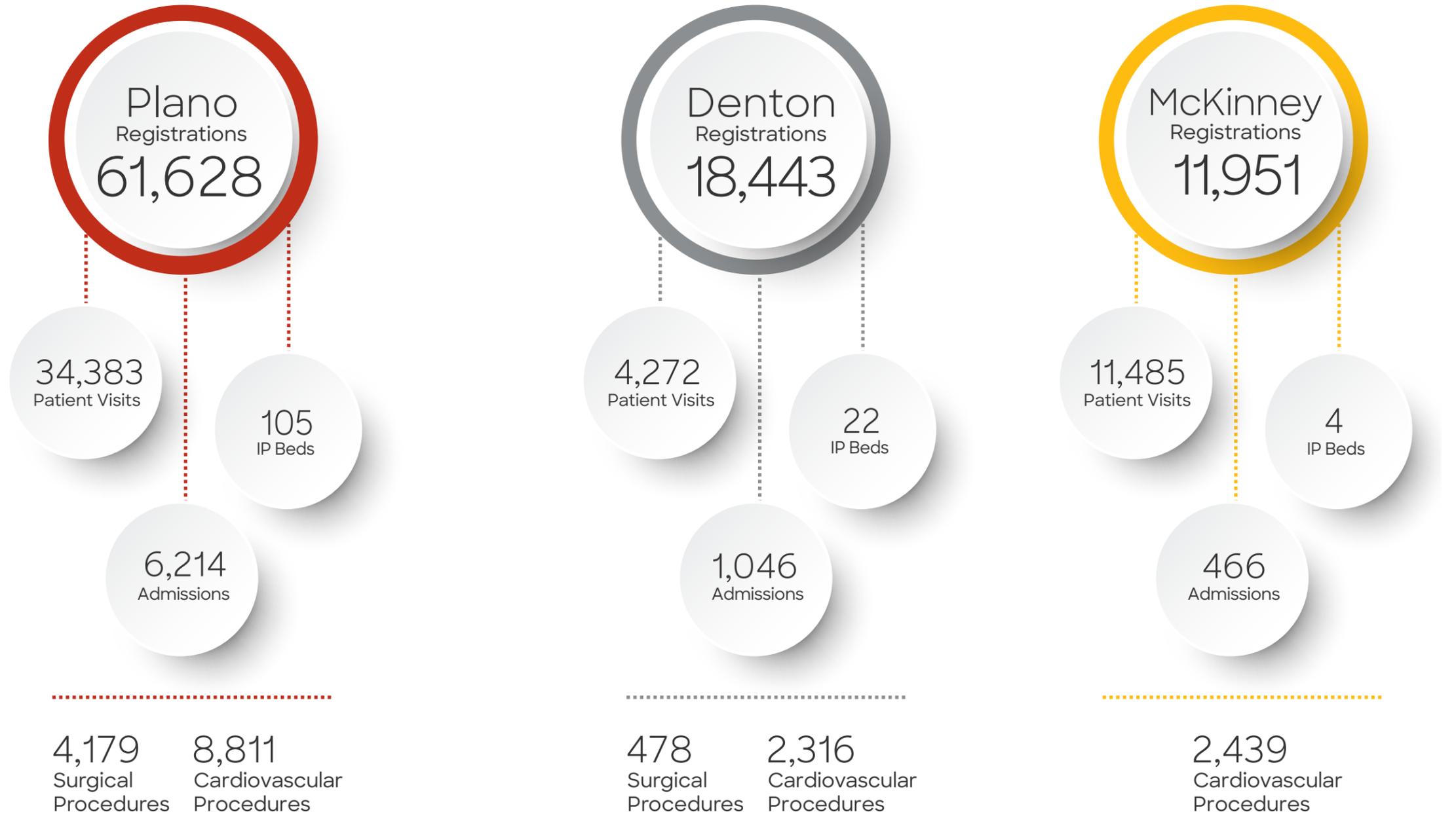
**Plano, Denton, McKinney:**  
Primary Heart Attack Center (PHAC)

**Plano:**  
Left Ventricular Assist Device (LVAD)  
Heart Failure (HF)  
Advanced Certification for Palliative Care

*Plano is the first surgical specialty hospital to earn this certification.*

# Overall Heart Hospital Volumes By the numbers

FISCAL YEAR 2023





# Cardiovascular Disease Interventional Cardiology

As one of the busiest, most comprehensive coronary centers in the United States, we place a strong emphasis on research and clinical trials, adopting innovative technology, and making important contributions to the advancement of medicine at national meetings.

## INTRODUCING THE HIGH-RISK SERVICE MODEL

Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano developed a high-risk service to support high acuity patients. This model can emergently assemble a multidisciplinary team of experts to develop a treatment plan and to support patients and providers 24/7. **Our goal is to support patients who require a higher level of care that may not be available in all hospitals.**

## Accomplishments

- Baylor Scott & White The Heart Hospital locations in Plano, Denton, and McKinney were awarded the Joint Commission and American Heart Association's Primary Heart Attack Certification. Additionally, **Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano and Denton locations received the highest star rating awarded from ACC/NCDR.**
- Cardiologists on the medical staff serve as speakers, moderators, and program directors at international conferences.
- The Cardiovascular Research Foundation (CRF) announced its Scientific Excellence Top 10 for academic contributions of global academic institutions to interventional cardiovascular medicine. **Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano was ranked in the top 10 for three categories: Global, U.S., and Coronary.\***
- Dallas PCI Meetings: Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano developed a unique, two-day interactive conference that incorporates more than 20 lectures and live cases highlighting workflow, technology, and commentary from experts across the globe.
- The Advanced Hypertension Clinic launched in 2023 and offers specialized care and advanced therapies for patients with complex hypertension.
- Pulmonary Embolism Response Team (PERT) integration and collaboration across all service lines.\*\*

\*TCT 2023, CRFConnect. This recognition is determined based on submissions received for TCT 2023, offering recognition to institutions that excel in advancing interventional cardiovascular research.

\*\*See PERT details on page 18

“When I think of Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano, Denton and McKinney, I am reminded of the dedication our team has to the future of cardiovascular services. Our goal is to provide a high level of care and support to patients and providers near and far with additional tools, education and resources while remaining dedicated to our mission of quality and compassionate care.”

**SRINIVASA P. POTLURI, MD**  
CHAIRMAN, CARDIOVASCULAR MEDICINE

Plano &  
Denton

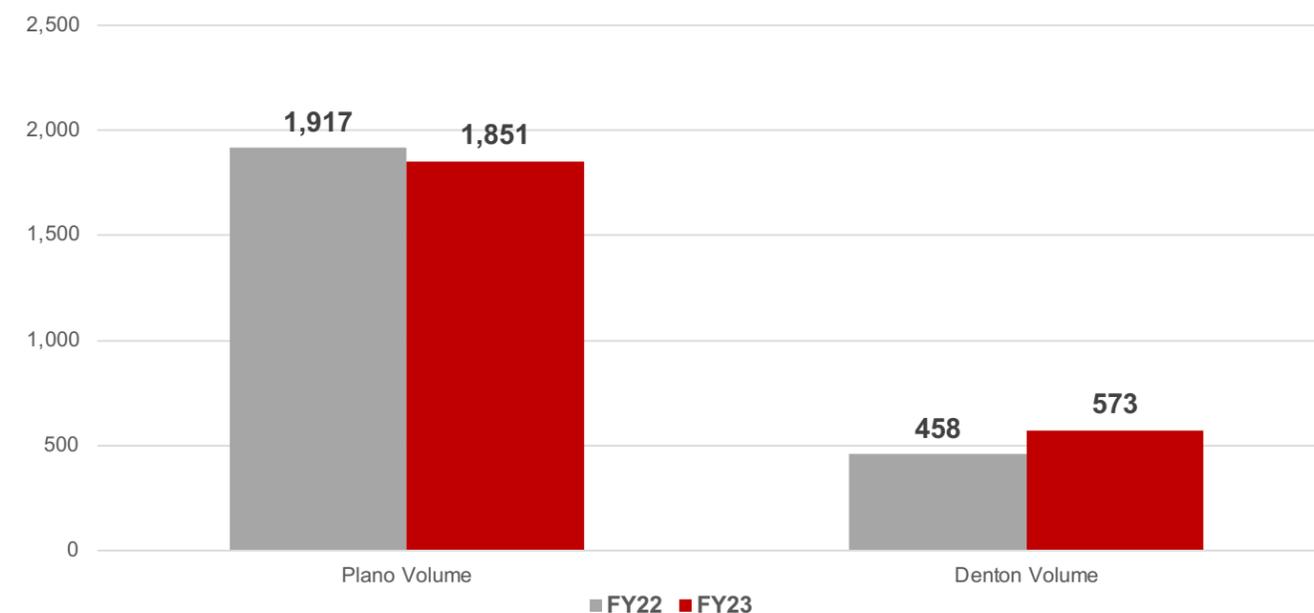


AMERICAN  
COLLEGE of  
CARDIOLOGY



A 4-star rating is the highest rating awarded by the ACC and NCDR

## CathPCI Volume



## Innovation

Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano, Denton and McKinney locations are embracing artificial intelligence and other advanced technologies in the pursuit of precision PCI. Some examples include:

- Extensive use of intravascular imaging and coronary physiology.
- Dynamic coronary road mapping which reduces contrast use.
- Angiography based fractional flow reserve without the need for wiring a coronary artery.
- Co-registration for physiology and intravascular ultrasound.



# Cardiovascular Disease

## Cardiac Surgery

“Our team’s dedication, careful examination of clinical outcomes, and constant drive for innovation have led to the growth of our volumes and reputation. We continuously push ourselves to elevate the care we deliver and strive to change the world of cardiac surgery for patients.”

**ROBERT L. SMITH II, MD**  
MEDICAL DIRECTOR, CHAIRMAN OF CARDIOVASCULAR SURGERY

### Accomplishments

- Baylor Scott & White Heart – Plano is one of the **top five busiest cardiac surgery programs in the United States**, according to SG2 benchmarking.
- Advancement and continued growth in minimally invasive, robotic, and port access approaches including mitral valve, tricuspid valve, pulmonic valve, and aortic valve repair and/or replacement.
- The cardiologists and the cardiovascular surgeons on the medical staff worked side-by-side to establish the **TAVR heart team approach** and change the way the hospital delivers care to aortic stenosis patients.
- As of October 17, 2023, **Baylor Scott & White Heart – Plano earned the highest 3-Star rating in all five categories from The Society of Thoracic Surgeons** for patient care and outcomes, denoting the highest quality among all participating hospitals. **Baylor Scott & White Heart – Denton earned the highest 3-Star rating in 2 categories.**
- Robotic Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting (CABG) volumes continue to see a positive growth while achieving zero mortality in robotic CABG.
- Pulmonary Embolism Response Team (PERT) integration and collaboration across all service lines\*

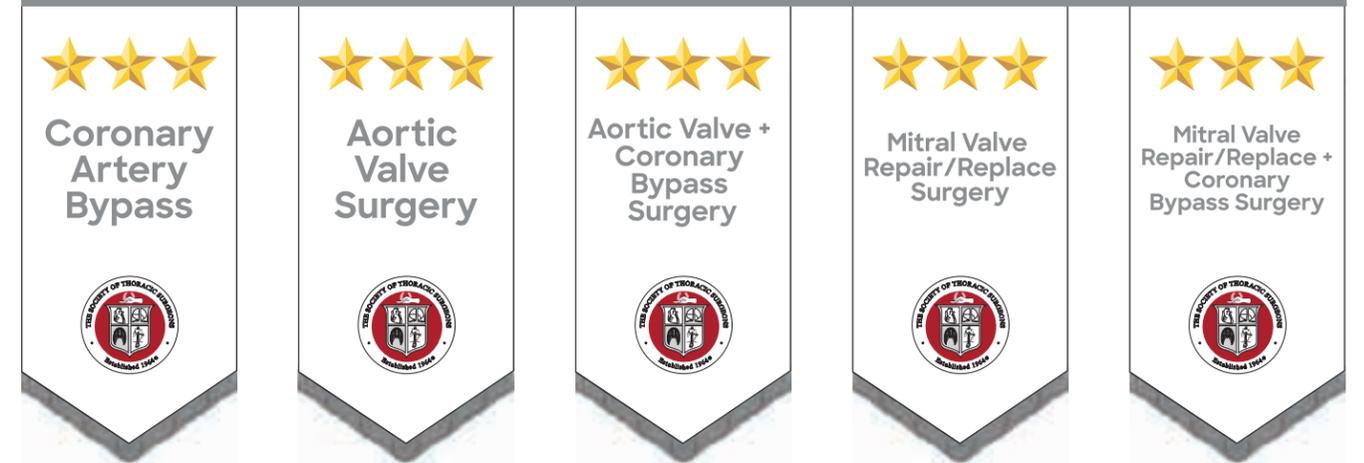
\*See PERT details on page 18



### Innovation

- Establishment of a dedicated arrhythmia clinic that allows for a diagnosis, innovative treatments, and follow up for these conditions.
- A novel use of Botox to treat atrial fibrillation.
- An innovative filter to remove blood thinners to allow for emergent surgery.
- Use of the robotic platform for coronary, valve, atrial exclusion procedures.

Among cardiac surgery’s elite—nationally



### STS Star Category Volumes

July 2020 – June 2023	Plano	Denton
Iso CABG	1,527	966
AVR	269	28
AVR + CABG	191	42
MVRR	629	N/A
MVRR + CABG	87	N/A

### Overall STS Composite Quality Rating

July 2020 – June 2023	Plano	Denton	STS
Iso CABG	98.13	98.21	96.78
AVR	97.98	96.42	95.29
AVR + CABG	95.03	94.88	91.67
MVRR	96.30	N/A	93.72
MVRR + CABG	90.90	N/A	84.72

# Thoracic and Robotic Surgery

Thoracic surgery at Baylor Scott & White Heart – Plano has rapidly grown into the **7th busiest robotic program in the world** with a grand total of 3,500 combined thoracic and cardiac robotic cases. The thoracic surgeons on our medical staff support numerous cardiovascular service lines to provide holistic care to our patients and communities.

**We are a leading center to proctor other centers in robotic thoracic and cardiac surgery.**

## Accomplishments

- One unique differentiator is the surgeons on the medical staff's success in treating a wide variety of conditions including paralyzed diaphragms, offering hope and relief to many patients who are unable to lie flat to sleep at night.
- Embracing education and sharing our expertise: **We are one of the busiest robotic centers, the hospital hosted over 120 surgeons with advanced robotic training courses** and have been training fellows with specialized robotic courses since 2019 resulting in 267 presentations, 18 publications and over 19 CTSNet videos.

### SUPPORTING CARDIOLOGY

- Pulmonary nodules/masses
- Mediastinal masses
- Pericardial disease
- Pleural effusion
- Fibrothorax
- Paraesophageal/hiatal hernia
- Medically refractory angina
- Paralyzed diaphragm

### SUPPORTING ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY

- Ventricular arrhythmias
- Atrial fibrillation
- Pulmonary vein ablation complications

### SUPPORTING CARDIAC SURGERY

- Hemothorax
- Pleural effusion
- Fibrothorax
- Paralyzed diaphragm

### SUPPORTING VASCULAR SURGERY

- Median arcuate ligament syndrome
- Thoracic outlet syndrome
- Aberrant retroesophageal right subclavian artery

## Innovation

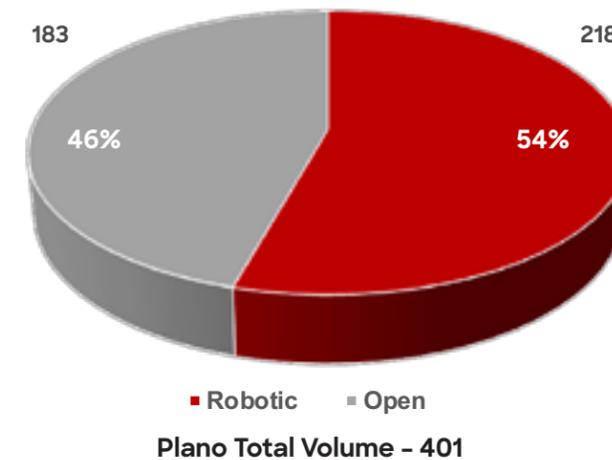
- The thoracic team expanded the robotic endoluminal bronchoscopy program (ION) to diagnose lung cancer with a 95% diagnostic accuracy and <1% complication rate.
- Baylor Scott & White Heart – Plano continues to incorporate the use of robotic technology to assist with aortic valve replacement and septal myectomy robotic surgeries.
- Comprehensive robotic approach to benign and malignant esophageal, mediastinal and lung disorders. This includes hiatal hernias, thoracic outlet syndrome, median arcuate ligament release, lung and esophageal cancers.



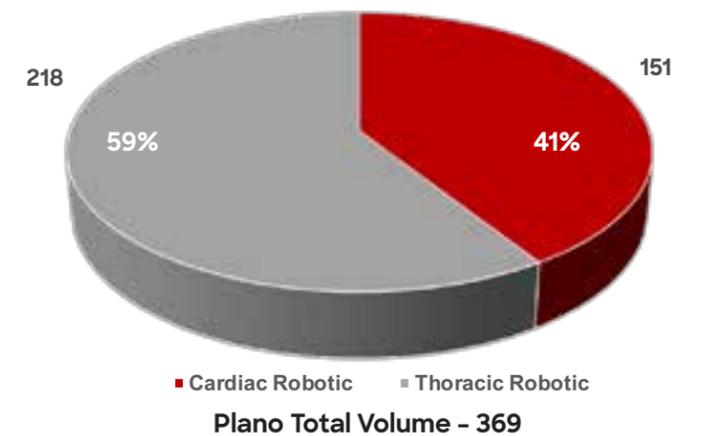
**“**What we do at Baylor Scott & White Heart – Plano, for any of our service lines, is that we really cater to the individual. We don't make the patient fit the operation, but we tailor the operation to fit the patient's needs whether its robotic, minimally invasive, or open surgery.**”**

**G. KIMBLE JETT, MD**  
MEDICAL DIRECTOR, THORACIC SURGERY

FY23 Robotic vs Open Thoracic Procedures



FY23 Robotic Cardiac vs Robotic Thoracic Procedures



STS Thoracic Procedure FY23	Lobectomy	Segmentectomy Resections
<b>Volume</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>10</b>
PFT Complete	100% (95.73%)	100% (93.01%)
Unexpected Invasive Procedure	0% (4.54%)	0% (2.95%)
Mortality	0% (1.10%)	0% (0.64%)

### Legend

% = Plano performance  
(%) = STS GT registry average

# Valve and Structural Disease

**Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano is home to one of the oldest and busiest structural heart programs in the country.** Through our Heart Team approach, we've expanded into a seasoned multidisciplinary team with treatment options that span across aortic, mitral, tricuspid, and pulmonic valves along with left atrial appendage clot prevention.

“Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano has become one of the leading hospitals for structural heart care. Since the founding of our hospital, we have relentlessly focused on the goal of high-quality patient-centered care through innovation, disruptive technology, and advancement in minimally invasive surgical procedures. These initiatives and our impressive outcomes are due to the dedication and collaboration across our highly trained heart team.”

**MOLLY SZERLIP, MD**  
REGIONAL DIRECTOR, STRUCTURAL HEART PROGRAMS

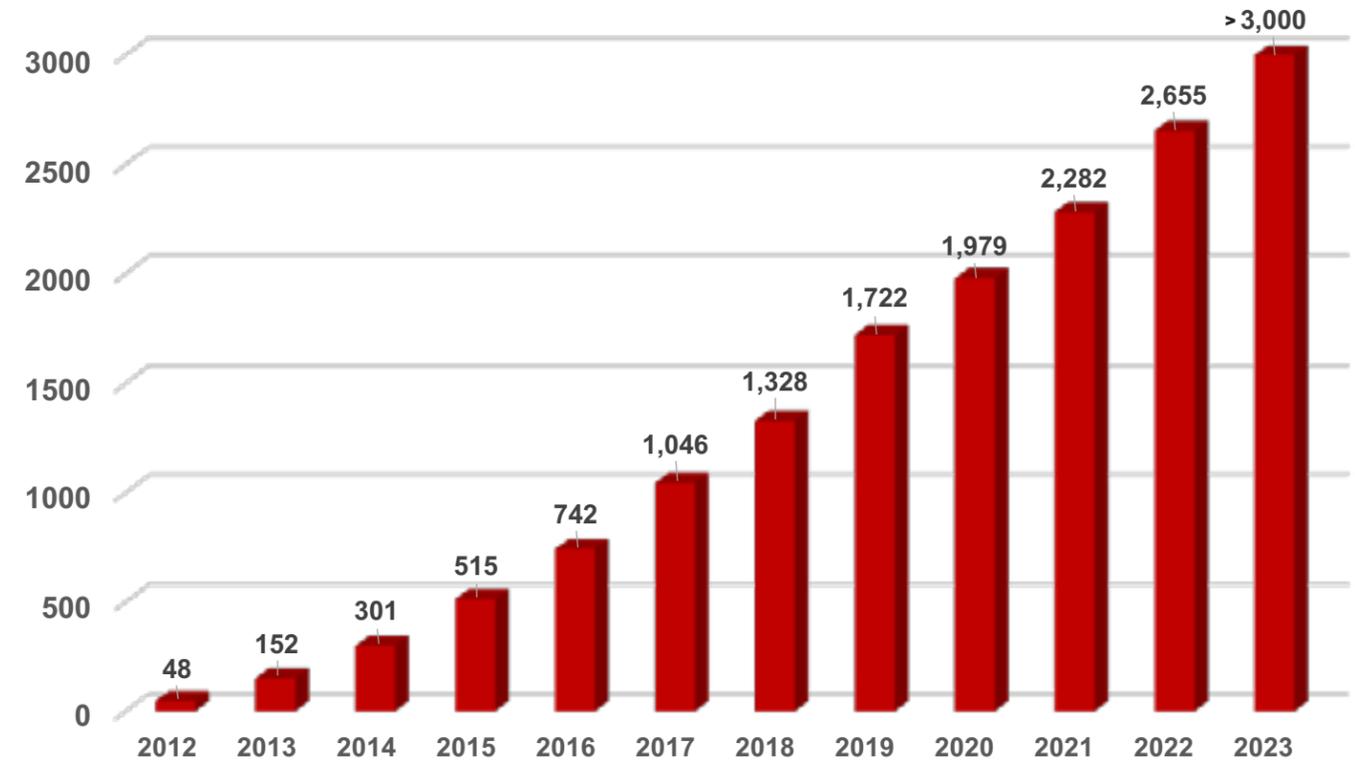
## Accomplishments

- In October 2023, the Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano and Denton locations surpassed **3,000 transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR)** procedures, ranking us as one of the busiest TAVR programs in the country. **Baylor Scott & White Heart - Denton became the first hospital in Denton County to provide ongoing TAVR procedures.**
- Our structural heart clinics expanded beyond Plano to serve patients across several North Texas regions, including Denton, Rockwall/Rowlett, and Paris.
- Providers on our medical staff participated on advisory boards, published abstracts and reviews, like NEJM, and served as faculty within the SCAI fellow course for interventional cardiology. Providers have also presented research at national and international structural heart conferences such as TCT, ACC, and SCAI.

## Innovation

- Expanded indications for transcatheter valves and use of novel devices.
- Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano continues to be a primary enrollment site for novel transcatheter valves intended and serve more clinical indications.
- Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano is among the few centers selected to perform the first-in-man studies that involve transcatheter edge-to-edge (TEER) valve repair and replacement devices.

TAVR Historical Cumulative Volume Plano & Denton



TAVR In-Hospital Outcomes

FY23	Plano	Denton	STS/TVT Registry Average
Mortality	0.5	0.0	0.9
Bleeding	0.8	0.0	1.4
Stroke	0.8	0.0	1.4

“I'm fortunate they can do it that way.” (In reference to the TAVR procedure.) “It's fantastic. It's a blessing.”

**GERALD**  
BAYLOR SCOTT & WHITE HEART - PLANO'S 3,000 TAVR PATIENT



“Our multidisciplinary team and vascular specialists, combined with innovative technology and participation in multiple national research trials, allow us to treat the most complex cases with a patient-centered approach. From advanced treatment options to our second opinion consult services, we put quality at the forefront of everything we do, and that shines through our patient outcomes.”

**DENNIS GABLE, MD,**  
CHAIRMAN, VASCULAR AND ENDOVASCULAR SURGERY

## Vascular Disease

The vascular services team offers an integrated care model for patients with peripheral vascular disease, including aortic disease,\* complex arterial reconstruction, limb salvage, pulmonary embolism, venous disease, and advanced wound care.

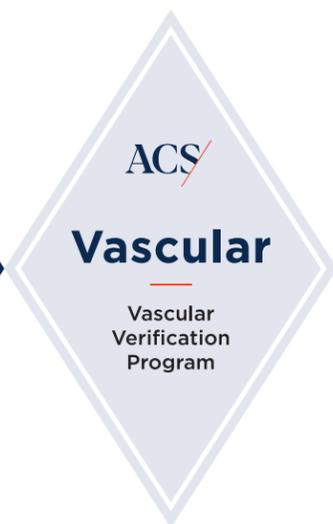
### Accomplishments

- **Verified Comprehensive Inpatient Vascular Center: Serving as only one of four hospitals in the nation – and the first in Texas and the Southwest – to attain the status of Vascular Verification through the American College of Surgeons (ACS) in collaboration with the Society for Vascular Surgery (SVS).** This designation is awarded to facilities that demonstrate commitment to the highest standard of vascular care and consistently strive to minimize complications, improve outcomes, and save lives and limbs.
- **SVS/VQI Three Star Rating: For eight consecutive years, Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano has been awarded this rating, placing the hospital among the top 10% in the nation for quality in vascular surgery.**
- **Our Pulmonary Embolism Response Team (PERT) is one of the few specialized teams in the region and is available 24/7 for the care of patients with life-threatening blood clots to the lungs.** With one call, we can immediately activate a response across cardiology, vascular surgery, CT Surgery and critical care physicians to evaluate and treat these patients to optimize outcomes. Our PERT members have published and presented at national conferences, including PERT Consortium, SVS, TCT and SCAI.

\*See advanced aortic disease on page 20 for more details



Plano



Plano



FY23	Carotid Stent	Carotid Endarterectomy	Infra-Inguinal Bypass	Endo AAA, Urgent	Endo AAA, Non-Urgent	Open AAA, Urgent	TEVAR Urgent	TEVAR Non-Urgent
Procedure Volume	116	142	28	5	70	6	17	50
CVA, In-Hospital	0%	0.7%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%



### Innovation

- New technologies in treating complex pulmonary embolism, along with treating complex deep vein thrombosis (DVT).
- Trial phase for a novel micro-mesh design carotid stent and below-the-knee bioabsorbable stent.
- Digital health and remote monitoring to assist with early detection and intervention.



# Advanced Aortic Disease

Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano offers a uniquely designed comprehensive care model with a team of specialists passionate about innovation and treating complex aortic disease. Aortic team providers on our medical staff include geneticists, interventional cardiologists, vascular surgeons, radiologists, and cardiothoracic surgeons. The aortic team also offers advanced treatment options, such as minimally invasive repair, endovascular graft options, robotic surgery, and hybrid surgical approaches for the aortic root, thoracic aorta, abdominal aorta, and complex aortic valve repair.

## Accomplishments

- **Ross Procedure:** Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano is a national leader in the United States with highly trained surgeons on the medical staff performing the Ross Procedure. These Ross surgeons are leaders in the Ross community and serve on the North American Ross Consortium (NARC) which is designed to evaluate patient selection and outcomes of the procedure. **The hospital has seen an increased procedural volume of over 35% in calendar year 2023 alone.**
- **Published Research and Abstracts:** Aortic team physicians on the medical staff at Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano presented, published, and authored processes and outcomes regarding proximal aortic root, valve, and endovascular procedures within peer reviewed journals in both regional and national societal conferences. For example: Aortic surgeons on the medical staff recently presented notable aortic procedure results at the 2023 Southern Thoracic Surgical Association (STSA).
- Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano is a high-volume vascular center in the region and nationally that provides both minimally invasive, fenestrated, and open surgical thoracoabdominal aneurysm repairs. **The hospital has seen a 54% growth in complex Thoracic Endovascular Aortic Repair (TEVAR) over the last fiscal year.**
- The aortic team at Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano continues to evolve in treatment interventions ranging from traditional surgical to innovative percutaneous and minimally invasive grafts and techniques. The range of treatment options has led the hospital to become a high referral center for complex and hybrid aortic procedures.

“Our Advanced Aortic Center is comprised of a multidisciplinary team of nationally respected surgeons and physicians on the medical staff, along with nurses and clinical staff who are passionate about treating patients and managing aortic disease. The success of our program and pursuit of the highest quality outcomes are a direct result of our collaboration and relentless effort in offering patients advanced treatment approaches and surgical options.”

**WILLIAM BRINKMAN, MD**  
 MEDICAL DIRECTOR, THORACIC AORTIC SURGERY PROGRAM  
**MAZIN FOTEH, MD**  
 REGIONAL MEDICAL DIRECTOR, AORTIC THERAPY INNOVATION

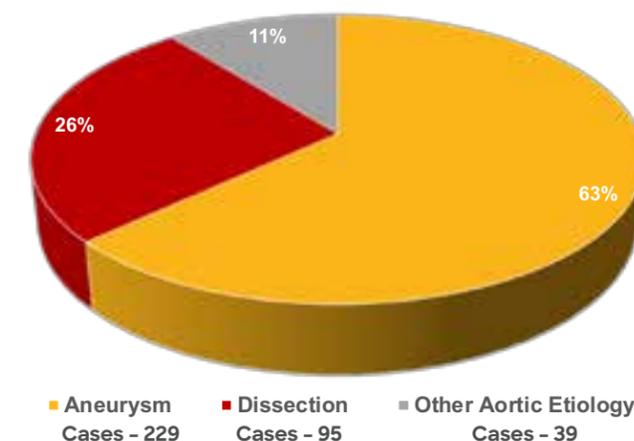
## Innovation

A few Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano initiatives to support the evolution of aortic disease treatment includes:

- High-enrolling center for novel devices and treatment strategies for the entire aortic tree, including fenestrated and debranching devices for the aortic arch and abdominal visceral vessels.
- Ongoing clinical trials to include early feasibility studies of devices that led to FDA approval, studies for the treatment of ascending aortic aneurysm and dissections, and aortic arch grafts. Other notable studies include the use of endovascular devices to treat the ascending aorta, aortic arch, and thoracoabdominal aorta without the use of open surgery.
- Innovative treatments for the aortic root to include the use of the David Procedure for aortic valve preservation repair of complex bicuspid aortic valves and the Ross Procedure to replace diseased aortic valve with the patient's own pulmonary valve.

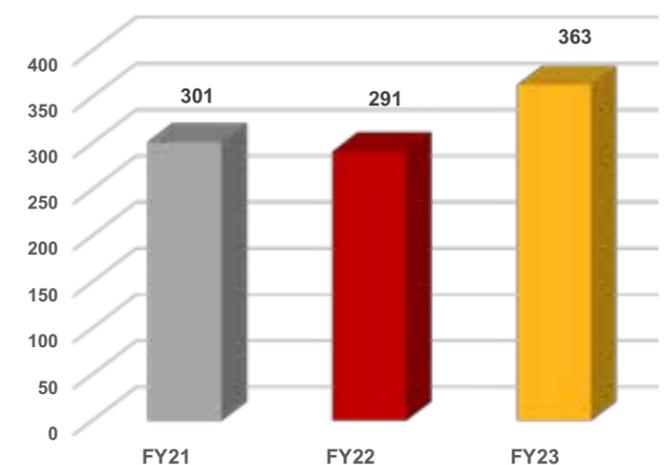


## Distribution of Aortic Procedures



Plano Total Volume FY23 - 363

## Thoracic Aortic Surgical Cases - Plano



Volume

# Electrophysiology

“Our dedicated EP team always strives to incorporate innovative technologies and techniques, provide education for cardiology and cardiac EP fellows, stay on trend and be involved in the latest guideline evolution. These efforts lead us to create a patient-centered care model that leads to quality outcomes and patient satisfaction.”

**BRIAN J. DEVILLE, MD**, REGIONAL MEDICAL DIRECTOR ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY  
**ADAM SHAPIRA, MD**, MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY MEDICINE

The electrophysiology team on the medical staff at Baylor Scott & White Health - Plano, Denton and McKinney is a group of highly trained cardiologists focused on advancing treatment for abnormal electrical conduction pathways in the heart. The hospitals offer a full range of medical, surgical, and interventional services to address each patient's unique arrhythmia, symptoms, and risk factors.

## Accomplishments

- **Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano recently expanded the robust and rapidly growing Left Atrial Appendage (LAAO) program services to Baylor Scott & White Heart – Denton in FY23.** This program has performed better than national patient average outcomes in major complications, bleeding, and stroke. For patients who may not qualify, the hospital also offers minimally invasive surgical and robotic LAA closure options.
- Expanded into an electrophysiology fellowship, recently completing the first year of fellowship training.
- Continue to serve as an instructional site for electrophysiologists from across the country to learn advanced ablation techniques and as an external evaluation site for a novel diagnostic catheter mapping system.

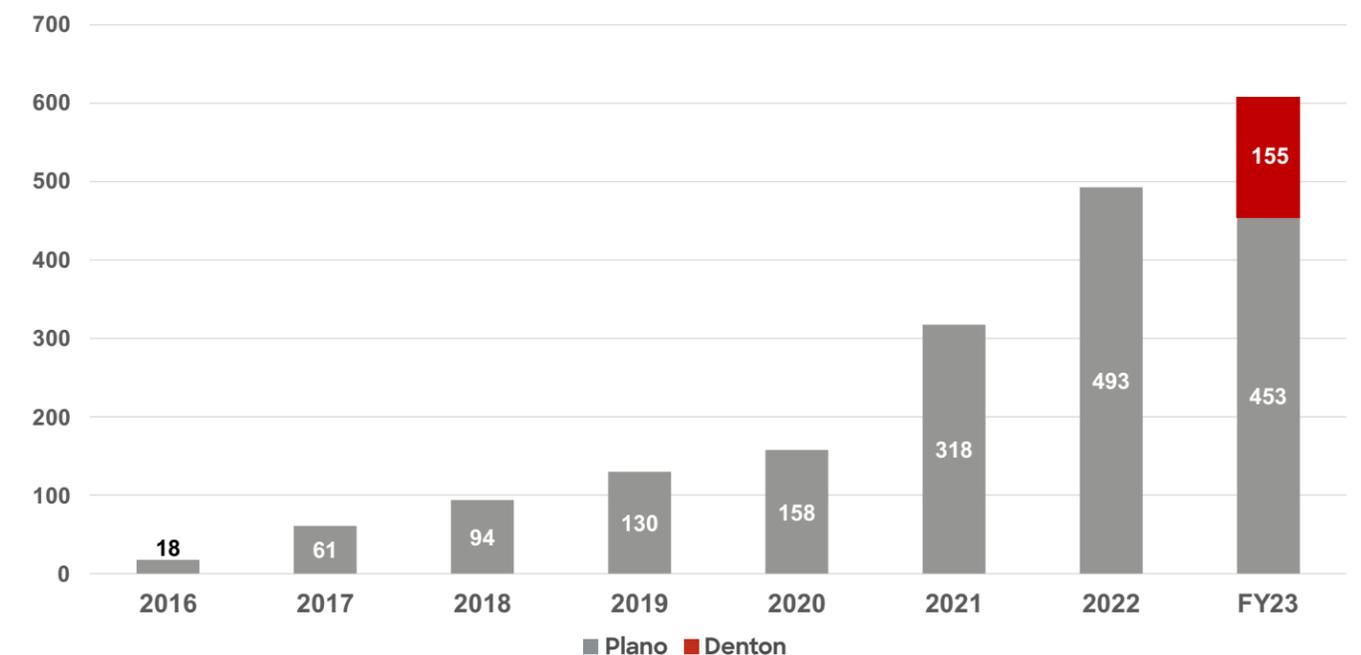
## Innovation

- A new treatment option for atrial tachyarrhythmias is being performed via the vein of Marshall using alcohol ablation.
- A novel approach using PFA Pulse Field Ablation is being studied via research protocol for treating atrial fibrillation. This non-thermal approach utilizes irreversible electroporation that induces cardiac cell death.
- New pacemaker devices that improve the synchrony of the cardiac electrical system are being studied for the treatment of heart failure.



Plano, Denton, McKinney	Ablations	ICDs	Pacemakers
FY23	1,744	728	989

## Left Atrial Appendage Occlusion Volume



FY23	Plano	Denton	LAAO Registry Average
Major Complication	0.4%	0.7%	0.9%
Bleeding	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%
Stroke	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%

# Advanced Heart Recovery

The Advanced Heart Recovery team offers a tailored approach through its highly integrated, multi-disciplinary collaboration across cardiology, surgical, and heart failure specialists. This offers patients a full 360 view of their plan of care and provides optimal patient outcomes.

“The Heart Recovery program manages patients that require complex medical management. Through the partnership with our patients, dedication of our multidisciplinary team, and support groups - we've seen impressive improvements leading to a higher quality of life.”

**DAVID RAWITSCHER, MD, MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF HEART FAILURE**  
**AASIM AFZAL, MD, MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF MECHANICAL CIRCULATORY SUPPORT**  
**TIMOTHY GEORGE, MD, SURGICAL DIRECTOR OF MECHANICAL CIRCULATORY SUPPORT**

From inpatient to outpatient support, a patient can begin their journey at the Advanced Heart Recovery Center. The center offers the following multi-specialty services:

- Infiltrative cardiomyopathy
- Amyloidosis
- Sarcoidosis
- Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy
- Genetic cardiomyopathy
- Congenital cardiomyopathy

## Accomplishments

- In collaboration with the national registries in shock management, **Baylor Scott & White - Plano provides among the highest volume of database entries**, which drives best practices and guidelines in shock management nationally. This influence has led it to become one of the largest cardiogenic shocks programs in the United States.
- The "CODE SHOCK" initiative equips the healthcare team to recognize cardiogenic shock and activate the heart failure team to expedite transfer. Since 2021, the team has cared for over 400 patients across 50 referring facilities and states. It also can utilize advanced MCS (mechanical support devices), such as ECMO, Impella, IABP etc. for cardiac support when needed.



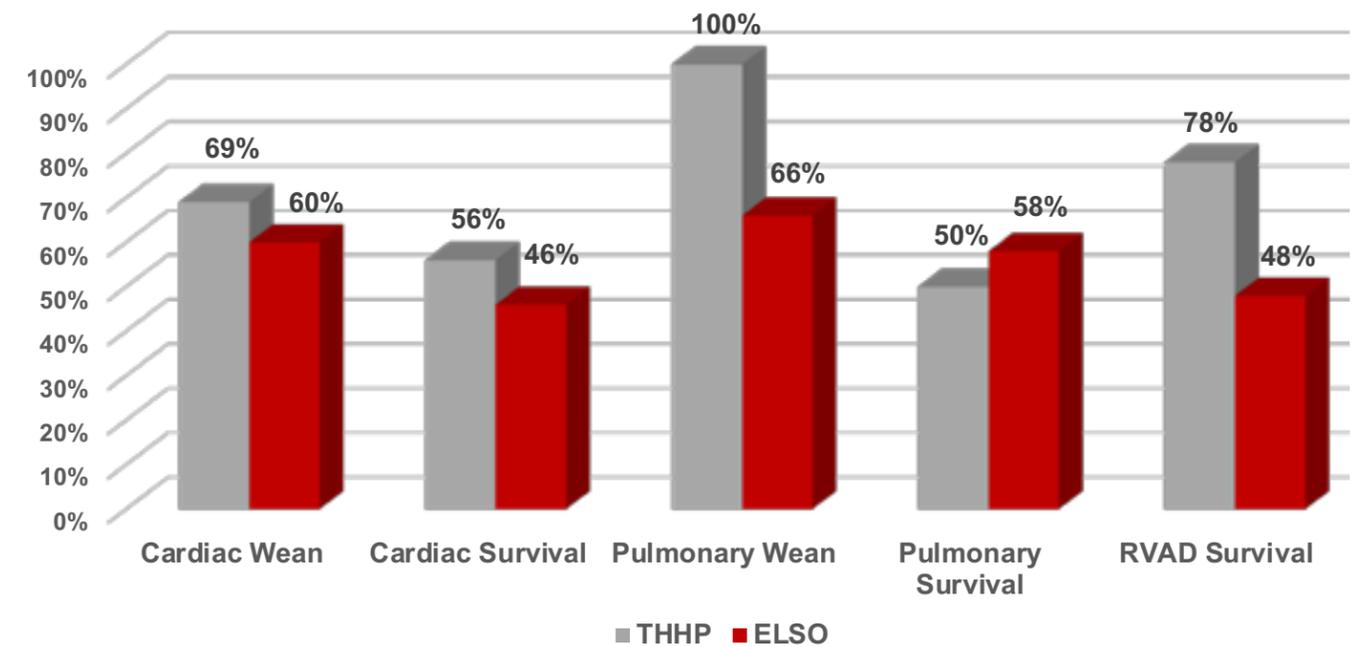
“The doctors, nurses and all staff are truly angels from heaven. They were so loving and caring to ensure I had everything I needed. One special memory I have was during the holidays. The nurse decorated my room with a crystal angel she brought from home and lights to celebrate Christmas. I had a long road to recovery and while the doctors believe I am a mystery, I truly believe that I am a miracle. God has a purpose for me and I owe him all the credit.”

LUCY

## Innovation

- The center offers innovative medication that treats HCM as well as novel temporary and permanent devices that treat both right and left sided heart failure.
- **Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano's left ventricular assist device (LVAD) program is the largest destination therapy program in the country.** Patients travel from coast to coast making the hospital the #1 implanter in the United States.

## ECMO Outcomes: Comparison to International Data - 2023



- ECMO program established in 2012
- Over 450 cases managed to date
- Approximately 50 - 75 cases managed per year
- **Extracorporeal Life Support Organization (ELSO) designated Gold Center of ECMO Excellence**



### AWARDS

- HCAHPS Score - 90% patient satisfaction
- Press Ganey Pinnacle of Excellence Award® and Guardian of Excellence Award® for ED Admissions
- Top 350 Hospitals in Becker's Hospital Review for Nursing Communication
- Three-time ANCC Magnet Designation® for Nursing Excellence
- ELSO Center of Excellence - Gold Level



**FOR EXTRAORDINARY NURSES**  
HONORING NURSES INTERNATIONALLY  
IN MEMORY OF J. PATRICK BARNES

### DAISY WINNERS - 2023

- Jennifer Cortez - Plano
- Juby Kurian - Plano
- Shreya Patel - Plano
- Andrew Grayson - Plano
- Jennifer Bichett - Denton
- Azmina Muhammad, - McKinney
- Raymond Chan - McKinney

### EXCELLENCE IN NURSING - 2023

- Mary Connelly - Plano
- Shawn Peterson - Plano
- Kevin Primacio - Plano
- Erica Carey (APRN System Winner)
- Raymond Chan - McKinney
- Kathy Knapp - Denton

### SUNSHINE WINNERS - 2023

**Acknowledging employees who demonstrate compassion and dedication to both their role and with patients.**

- Rephaelen Samuel - Plano
- Stacy Genovese - Plano
- Nawir "Bear" El Busaidy - Plano
- Julia Hernandez - Plano
- Dilan Gordillo & Judith Stufflebean - Denton
- Jeff Gawaran - McKinney
- Greta Rozell - McKinney



**Plano:**  
Magnet Nursing Designation



**Denton:**  
Magnet Pathway Designation

## Celebrating Nursing

Our team is rooted in the foundation of compassion, art and science of nursing excellence. The compassion of providing dignity and establishing trust to those in a vulnerable state. The art of technique and strategy to patient care. And the science of medicine and heart care. This trifecta is our guiding principle to always strive for next-level care, quality outcomes and patient satisfaction.

**“We put the patient first. That’s why Baylor Scott & White Heart continues to be a leader in patient and quality satisfaction.”**

**SUZANNE KRAIS, DNP**  
CHIEF NURSING OFFICER AND VICE PRESIDENT OF PATIENT SERVICES

## Selected nursing accomplishments

- Developed and presented nursing abstracts regarding retention efforts for utilizing specialists in the field of ECMO (extracorporeal membrane oxygenation) and cardiogenic shock.
- Created best practices around skin reduction and decreasing preoperative hospital-acquired pressure injuries (HAPIs).
- Served on the national board for pulmonary hypertension and won the collaboration award between nursing and provider leadership for The Heart Hospitals Pulmonary Hypertension Clinic.
- Initiated best practices in Enhanced Recovery After Surgery (ERAS) to improve patient stay and recovery.
- Developing a new initiative in collaboration with former patients to create a seamless patient education and engagement strategy to improve patient recovery, reduce readmissions and enhance patient experience.
- Cardiogenic shock initiatives on identifying symptoms, studying the impact and educating on the benefits of early recognition of shock, leading us to be one of the top hospitals supplying data to the AHA Cardiogenic Shock Registry.

# Featured Services and Programs

## HEALING HEARTS WITH PAWS

The hospital's D.O.C.S. (Dogs of Cardiac Support) program was developed as part of Baylor Scott & White Health's alliance with Canine Companions® and through the leadership of Jamile Ashmore, PhD, ABPP. This unique initiative supports patients and staff across care management, PT, OT, rehab, and medical psychology.



“The care from our pups goes beyond a short visit. They provide unbiased, unconditional care and affection. They bring a sense of non-judgment and ease to patients, our physicians and our staff.”

**JAMILE ASHMORE, PhD, ABPP**  
CHIEF WELLNESS OFFICER  
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONALISM AND WELL-BEING

The incredible healing power—both physically and emotionally—of the expertly trained facility dogs cannot be overestimated. These dogs are a key component in whole-person care. Accompanied by a handler, the facility dogs assist patients by comforting them pre- and post-procedure, providing a friendly distraction, retrieving an item and, of course, encouraging smiles and easing tension just by being there. The hospital has developed a systemwide facility dog safety policy specific to Canine Companions dogs and created Epic templates and an Epic D.O.C.S. department. The reality is these dogs do so much more than social visits. These loving animals are another step in the hospital's continued effort to consistently provide long-standing quality and compassionate care.



## OUR HAITI CONNECTION: A MISSION OF HOPE

Since 2016, Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano has worked in collaboration with the Haiti Cardiac Alliance, a non-profit organization that provides lifesaving operations for young Haitians with rheumatic and congenital heart disease. Patients in need of surgery are transported to the hospital for corrective surgery, frequently requiring multiple valve replacements. Dozens of patients were successfully treated via surgical interventions and returned to their homes in Haiti. David Moore, MD, patient care champion, has worked closely with Owen Robinson, the Director of Haiti Cardiac Alliance, in the selection and management of these patients. Dr. Moore shared, “The resilience of these patients, who are frequently in congestive heart failure upon arrival, is remarkable. The incredible improvement we see following surgery and their ability to recover and have hope for a healthy life is inspiring to all involved in their care.”

Among the many stories that our team holds close to their hearts is Guerby Piton. Guerby was an orphan. Both of his parents were killed in the devastating earthquake that struck Haiti in 2010. At times, he lived with relatives, but sometimes, he lived on the street. Despite these adversities, he continued to attend school and maintained a ready smile and hope for the future. At 20 years old, he could have easily passed as a child due to poor nutrition and health issues, including rheumatic heart disease and sickle cell disease. Guerby was thin, weighing 98 pounds, when he arrived at the hospital for open heart surgery in October 2016. His mitral valve was successfully replaced, and the tricuspid valve was repaired. During the postoperative period, he endeared himself to all his caretakers. Upon discharge, Guerby returned to Haiti, where he was adopted by a US physician and his wife, a nurse, who were doing mission work on the island.



“We have successfully operated 43 patients since the program's inception with plans to bring approximately three new groups of five each year.”

**DAVID M. MOORE, MD**  
PATIENT SAFETY CHAMPION, CARDIOVASCULAR SURGEON,  
DIRECTOR OF CHARITY OUTREACH

## CELEBRATING VOLUNTEERS

The volunteers supporting Baylor Scott & White Heart locations are truly a wonder to behold. The hospitals offer volunteer opportunities within support groups for LVAD and heart failure services and in ancillary support services with our concierge team and the various departments, to provide our guests with the compassionate care they deserve.



There's an incredibly deep connection that our volunteers have with our hospitals. Often, a patient and their family members will volunteer with the hospital, lending ease, comfort, and empathy as someone who can truly relate to a patient's journey. For example, our LVAD Ambassador Program allows existing heart failure patients who currently live with an LVAD device to lend support, education, and life strategies to prospective LVAD patients. We are truly grateful for our volunteers' generous support and compassion.



“There are many reasons that I volunteer at Baylor Heart. The most meaningful one is I want to carry on the legacy of my husband, Jim, who was a volunteer at Baylor Heart shortly after it opened. Jim was also a patient at The Heart Hospital many times, the care he always received there was the best. My family will always be so appreciative of the kindness shown to us.”

GIGI



## Preparing the Future Healthcare Leaders of Tomorrow

Baylor Scott & White Heart - Plano established the **Cardiovascular Institute** in March 2020 under the vision of Paul A. Grayburn, MD, a renowned non-invasive cardiologist, in an effort to provide the most highly skilled pipeline of clinical talent. The Cardiovascular Institute is a uniquely modeled, cohort-based intensive that allows professionals to become licensed in one of the following CAAHEP-accredited programs:

- Adult Echocardiography
- Cardiovascular Perfusion
- Invasive Cardiovascular Technology

The institute is led by Brad Roberts, director of the Cardiovascular Institute; Mark Valentine, president of Baylor Scott & White Heart; and Michael DiMaio, MD, chief of staff, in partnership with our academic professionals that include medical directors for each specialty and seasoned, active, and licensed practitioners. The three programs are highly sought after, and applicants have spanned from coast to coast, undergoing a rigorous process to gain acceptance and pursue a career in the allied health field. All graduates have earned a position, and many assumed roles within Baylor Scott & White Health facilities, including Baylor Scott & White - Heart locations.



“The labs, clinical sites and course work strongly prepared me for the registry exams and the workforce. My instructor was determined and committed to providing the best education possible. Thanks to the CVI, I know I can take pride in my career.”

VIANCA NUNO, RCS

# GME Fellowship

“The physicians on the medical staff across our Baylor Scott & White The Heart Hospital campuses are dedicated, collaborative and well-crafted specialists who showcase a vision for the future of cardiovascular care. We’re proud of the advancements our team has accomplished to provide high-quality patient outcomes with a compassion like no other. Our fellowship program converted an outstanding clinical based enterprise with passionate professionals into an advanced, expert led teaching institution.”

**MICHAEL DIMAIO, MD**

CHIEF OF STAFF, MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE & POST GRADUATE TRAINING AND PUBLICATIONS

**MOLLY SZERLIP, MD**

PROGRAM DIRECTOR CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM  
CO-PROGRAM DIRECTOR STRUCTURAL HEART FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The fellowship program at Baylor Scott & White Heart – Plano is led by Michael DiMaio, MD and Molly Szerlip, MD, in collaboration with a dedicated team of cardiothoracic and vascular surgeons on the medical staff. In 2023, our fellows participated in research and scholarly activities that have led to national recognition for their expertise and efforts in the world of cardiology.

This highly competitive program offers training and growth opportunities in the following specialties:

- Interventional Cardiology (ACGME)
- Cardiothoracic Surgery (ACGME)
- Advanced Heart Failure and Cardiology Transplant (ACGME)
- Structural Heart (TMB)
- Cardiovascular Disease (ACGME)
- Advanced Cardiac Imaging (TMB)
- Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology (ACGME)
- Peripheral Endovascular (TMB)
- Vascular Surgery (ACGME)



2023 Fellowship Graduates

# Clinical Research

In 2023, The hospital participated in over 85 active clinical trials and is among the top five enrollers in global trials, making us one of the leading centers in cardiovascular research. This discipline remains a core foundation of our hospital and will continue to be a pillar of excellence into our future.

We are one of only a few hospitals with the depth and breadth of our clinical research portfolio and seasoned researchers focused on advancements in cardiovascular innovations and care.



“One of the founding principles of Baylor Scott & White Heart was to provide the most advanced devices, drugs, and protocols to all of our guests and physicians via clinical trials. In addition, another founding principle was to have the physicians on our medical staff, along with fellows and staff publishing and teaching others about what we have learned. It remains true today.”

**MICHAEL DIMAIO, MD**

CHIEF OF STAFF, MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF GRADUATE & POST GRADUATE TRAINING AND PUBLICATIONS

**MOLLY SZERLIP, MD**

ASSOCIATE MEDICAL DIRECTOR EDUCATION & RESEARCH

## SOME OF OUR NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDE:

### TAVR:

From the onset, Michael Mack, MD, David Brown, MD, and Will Ryan, MD were instrumental in the evolution of transcatheter valves. Their mentorship authored the growth and expertise of our heart team and paved the way for the next generation of transcatheter aortic valve replacements.

### Early Feasibility Studies (EFS):

EFS is a small clinical study and a critical step in device innovation that allows researchers to gain early insights into medical technology prior to beginning a larger clinical trial.\* Our clinicians work directly with the FDA to provide input and improvement on the development of the device or delivery system.

### Cardiac Imaging Core Lab (CICL):

Since the onset of our core lab initiatives in 2019, The hospital has grown 90% in supporting sponsored studies. Under the leadership of Paul Grayburn, MD, this collaboration allows our echocardiography experts to review clinical studies and directly influence patient care via the sponsor and FDA.

### Cardiovascular Research Review Committee (CVRRC):

This Baylor Scott & White Health systemwide Committee is chaired by the hospital’s chief of staff, Michael DiMaio, MD. This initiative offers grants to physicians and allows the support of novel, pilot research projects. This, in turn, supports the hospital’s goal of authoring publications, conference presentations, and external grants.

\*MDIC.org

# Active Trials

**Study Name:** Shockwave ILIT  
**Study Title:** Intravascular Lithotripsy in high risk calcified Iliac anatomy for Transfemoral TAVR  
**Sponsor:** Investigator Initiated/Grant from Shockwave  
**PI:** Al-Azizi  
**Study Specifics:** Physician Initiated  
**Therapeutic Group:** Aortic Valve

**Study Name:** JenaValve  
**Study Title:** A Feasibility Study to Assess Safety and Effectiveness of the Transfemoral JenaValve Pericardial TAVR System in the Treatment of Patients with Symptomatic Severe Aortic Stenosis (AS) or Aortic Regurgitation (AR)  
**Sponsor:** JenaValve  
**PI:** Szerlip  
**Study Specifics:** Continued Access  
**Therapeutic Group:** Aortic Valve

**Study Name:** Neurocog TAVR  
**Study Title:** Prospective Evaluation of Neurocognition in Patients Undergoing Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement: Periprocedural Changes and Predictors of Improvement  
**Sponsor:** CVRRC  
**PI:** Potluri  
**Study Specifics:** Physician Initiated  
**Therapeutic Group:** Aortic Valve

**Study Name:** PROGRESS  
**Study Title:** The PROGRESS Trial: A Prospective, Randomized, Controlled Trial to Assess the Management of Moderate Aortic Stenosis by Clinical Surveillance or Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement  
**Sponsor:** Edwards  
**PI:** Szerlip  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Aortic Valve

**Study Name:** ShortCut  
**Study Title:** A Prospective, Multicenter, Non-Randomized, Single-Arm, Open-Label Clinical Study to Demonstrate the Safety and Effectiveness of the ShortCut device (The ShortCut Study).  
**Sponsor:** PiCardia  
**PI:** Szerlip  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Aortic Valve

**Study Name:** DEFINE GPS  
**Study Title:** Philips Image Guided Therapy Devices/ “Distal Evaluation of Functional performance with Intravascular sensors to assess the Narrowing Effect: Guided Physiologic Stenting” (DEFINE GPS).  
**Sponsor:** Philips  
**PI:** Al-Azizi  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Cardiology

**Study Name:** Disrupt PAD BTK II (BTK)  
**Study Title:** Prospective, Multi-center, Single-arm Study of the Shockwave Medical Peripheral Intravascular Lithotripsy (IVL) System for Treatment of Calcified Peripheral Arterial Disease (PAD) in Below-the-Knee (BTK) Arteries (Disrupt PAD BTK II) Effect: Guided Physiologic Stenting (DEFINE GPS).  
**Sponsor:** Shockwave Medical  
**PI:** Sayfo  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Cardiology

**Study Name:** SPYRAL AFFIRM  
**Study Title:** The SPYRAL AFFIRM Global Clinical Study of Renal Denervation with the Symplicity Spyral Renal Denervation System in Subjects with Uncontrolled Hypertension (SPYRAL AFFIRM)  
**Sponsor:** Medtronic  
**PI:** Potluri  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Cardiology

**Study Name:** R2P OSPREY  
**Study Title:** OSPREY ILIAC: Occlusive/Stenotic Peripheral artery REvascularization Study for Common and/or External ILIAC Artery Using the Misago® RX Self-expanding Peripheral Stent  
**Sponsor:** Terumo  
**PI:** Sayfo  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Cardiology

**Study Name:** MOTIV BTK  
**Study Title:** A Prospective, Multicenter, Single Blind, Randomized Controlled Trial Evaluating the Safety and Effectiveness of the MOTIV Sirolimus-Eluting Bioresorbable Vascular Scaffold Compared with Plain Balloon Angioplasty for the Treatment of Infrapopliteal Lesions  
**Sponsor:** REVA Medical  
**PI:** Das  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Cardiology

**Study Name:** DIPRA - Al-Azizi (Gupta - Hand Function)  
**Study Title:** Distal vs. Proximal Radial Artery Access for cardiac catheterization and intervention (The DIPRA Study)  
**Sponsor:** Gupta  
**PI:** Al-Azizi  
**Study Specifics:** Physician Initiated  
**Therapeutic Group:** Cardiology

**Study Name:** ROMA-W  
**Study Title:** Randomized comparison of the clinical Outcome of single versus Multiple Arterial grafts: the ROMA trial  
**Sponsor:** Weill Cornell Medicine  
**PI:** DiMaio  
**Study Specifics:** Prospective randomized  
**Therapeutic Group:** CV Surgery

**Study Name:** CTSN PACeS  
**Study Title:** Anticoagulation for New-Onset Post-Operative Atrial Fibrillation after CABG  
**Sponsor:** CTSN  
**PI:** DiMaio  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** CV Surgery

**Study Name:** PERSEVERE  
**Study Title:** A Prospective, Single Arm, Multi-center Clinical Investigation to Evaluate the Safety and Effectiveness of the AMDS in the Treatment of Acute DeBakey Type I Dissection: PERSEVERE  
**Sponsor:** CryoLife  
**PI:** Brinkman  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** CV Surgery

**Study Name:** LeAAPS  
**Study Title:** Left Atrial Appendage Exclusion for Prophylactic Stroke Reduction Trial (LeAAPS Trial)  
**Sponsor:** AtriCure, Inc.  
**PI:** Hutcheson  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** CV Surgery

**Study Name:** CATALYST  
**Study Title:** Clinical trial of atrial fibrillation patients comparing left atrial appendage occlusion therapy to non-vitamin K antagonist oral anticoagulants (CATALYST)  
**Sponsor:** Abbott  
**PI:** Potluri  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Electrophysiology

**Study Name:** CHAMPION-AF  
**Study Title:** WATCHMAN FLX versus NOAC for Embolic Protection in the Management of Patients with Non-Valvular Atrial Fibrillation (CATALYST)  
**Sponsor:** Boston Scientific  
**PI:** DeVille  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Electrophysiology

**Study Name:** AdmIREF  
**Study Title:** Assessment of Safety and Effectiveness in Treatment Management of Atrial Fibrillation with the BWI IRE Ablation System  
**Sponsor:** BioSense Webster  
**PI:** DeVille  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Electrophysiology

**Study Name:** Verily Registry  
**Study Title:** Heart Health Registry: A Longitudinal Heart Failure Data Registry  
**Sponsor:** Verily  
**PI:** DiMaio  
**Study Specifics:** Observational registry  
**Therapeutic Group:** Heart Failure

**Study Name:** Allay-HF  
**Study Title:** Safety and Efficacy of the Alleviant System for No-Implant Interatrial Shunt Creation in Patients with Chronic Heart Failure  
**Sponsor:** Alleviant Medical  
**PI:** Szerlip  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Heart Failure

**Study Name:** EMPACT-MI  
**Study Title:** A Streamlined, Multicentre, Randomised, parallel group, double-blind placebo-controlled superiority trial to evaluate the effect of EMPagliflozin on Hospitalisation for Heart Failure and Mortality in Patients With aCuTe Myocardial Infarction  
**Sponsor:** Boehringer Ingelheim  
**PI:** Afzal  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Heart Failure

**Study Name:** LOQI Registry  
**Study Title:** Long-Term Outcome and Quality Indicator (LOQI) Impella Registry  
**Sponsor:** Abiomed  
**PI:** Afzal  
**Study Specifics:** Post-Market  
**Therapeutic Group:** Heart Failure

## Active Trials (continued)

**Study Name:** CLASP IID/IIIF  
**Study Title:** Edwards PASCAL TrAnScatheter Mitral Valve RePair System Pivotal Clinical Trial (CLASP IID)  
**Sponsor:** Edwards  
**PI:** Smith  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Mitral Valve

**Study Name:** APOLLO  
**Study Title:** Medtronic Transcatheter Mitral Valve Replacement with the Medtronic Intrepid TMVR System in patients with severe symptomatic mitral regurgitation  
**Sponsor:** Medtronic  
**PI:** Szerlip  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Mitral Valve

**Study Name:** UNISUS  
**Study Title:** A Phase 3, Prospective, Multicenter, Double-blind, Double-dummy, Randomized, Active controlled, Parallel-group, Group-sequential, Adaptive, Event-driven Study to Compare Efficacy, Safety, and Tolerability of Macitentan 75 mg Versus Macitentan 10 mg in Patients with Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension, Followed by an Open-label Treatment Period With Macitentan 75 mg.  
**Sponsor:** Janssen J&J  
**PI:** Bakshi  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Pulmonary Hypertension

**Study Name:** A-DUE  
**Study Title:** Prospective, multi-center, double-blind, randomized, active-controlled, triple dummy, parallel-group, group-sequential, adaptive Phase 3 clinical study to compare the efficacy and safety of macitentan and tadalafil monotherapies with the corresponding fixed dose combination in subjects with pulmonary arterial hypertension (PAH), followed by an open-label treatment period with macitentan and tadalafil fixed dose combination therapy  
**Sponsor:** Janssen J&J  
**PI:** Bakshi  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Pulmonary Hypertension

**Study Name:** CLASP II TR  
**Study Title:** Edwards PASCAL TrAnScatheter Valve RePair System Pivotal Clinical Trial (CLASP II TR): A prospective, multicenter, randomized, controlled pivotal trial to evaluate the safety and effectiveness of transcatheter tricuspid valve repair with the Edwards PASCAL Transcatheter Valve Repair System and optimal medical therapy (OMT) compared to OMT alone in patients with

tricuspid regurgitation dose combination therapy  
**Sponsor:** Edwards Lifesciences  
**PI:** Smith  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Tricuspid Valve

**Study Name:** TRISCEND II Pivotal  
**Study Title:** Edwards EVOQUE Transcatheter Tricuspid Valve Replacement: Pivotal Clinical Investigation of Safety and Clinical Efficacy using a Novel Device - Edwards TRISCEND II Pivotal Trial  
**Sponsor:** Edwards Lifesciences  
**PI:** Smith  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Tricuspid Valve

**Study Name:** INTERCEPT-UK  
**Study Title:** INTERvention with Cerebral Embolic Protection in TEVAR (InterCEPT): Carbon-Dioxide Flushing versus Saline Flushing of Thoracic Aortic Stents: A Multi-centre Randomised Controlled Trial  
**Sponsor:** Imperial College UK  
**PI:** Gable  
**Study Specifics:** Physician Initiated  
**Therapeutic Group:** Vascular

**Study Name:** Roadster 3  
**Study Title:** SRM-2022-01: POST-APPROVAL STUDY of TRANSCAROTID ARTERY REVASCULARIZATION in STANDARD RISK PATIENTS with SIGNIFICANT CAROTID ARTERY DISEASE  
**Sponsor:** Silk Road Medical  
**PI:** Foteh  
**Study Specifics:** Post-Market  
**Therapeutic Group:** Vascular

**Study Name:** Pivotal TBE (Gore)  
**Study Title:** Evaluation of the GORE® TAG® Thoracic Branch Endoprosthesis (TBE Device) in the Treatment of Lesions of the Aortic Arch and Descending Thoracic Aorta (SSB 11-02)  
**Sponsor:** Gore  
**PI:** Brinkman  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Vascular

**Study Name:** Gore ARISE  
**Study Title:** Evaluation of the GORE® Ascending Stent Graft in the Treatment of DeBakey Type I/II Aortic Dissection  
**Sponsor:** Gore  
**PI:** Brinkman  
**Study Specifics:** Phase II/III  
**Therapeutic Group:** Vascular

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### EP PAH

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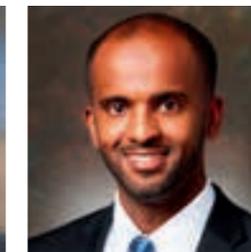
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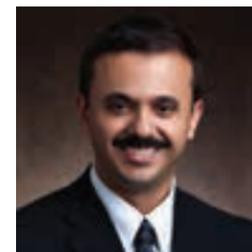


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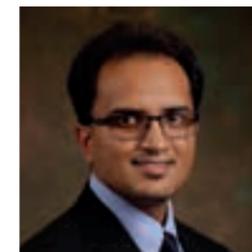


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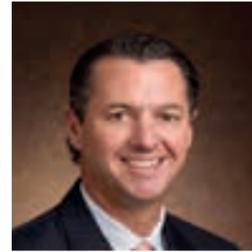
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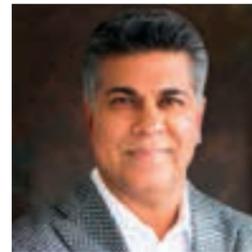
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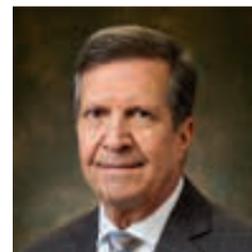
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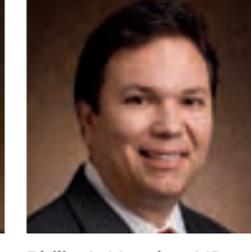
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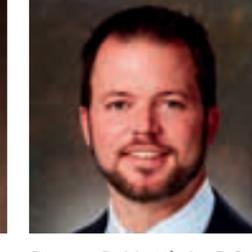
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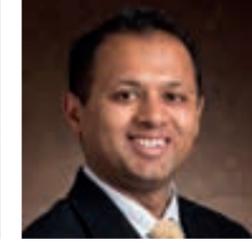
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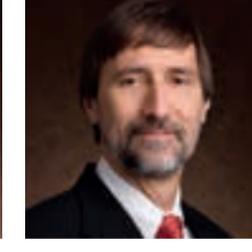
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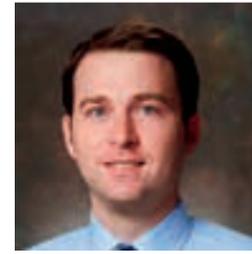
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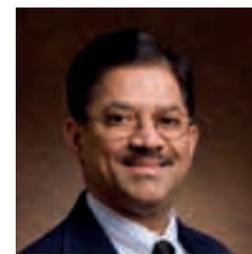
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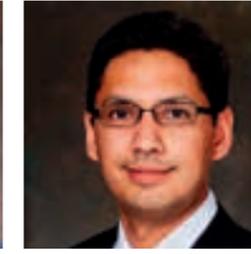
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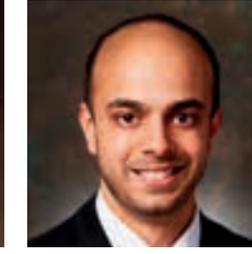
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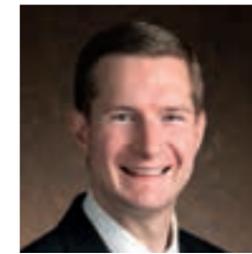
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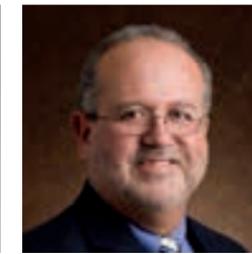
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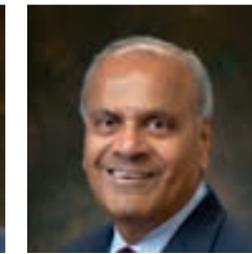
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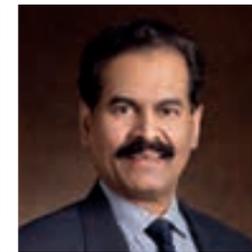
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## Launching of a modern broadcast studio



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Their untimely passing this past year has been a profound loss to our medical community as well as all the patients they served.



**Srinivas Gunukula, MD**  
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With equally sad hearts, we honor the passing of our friends and colleagues, **Stephanie Kersey, Tara Worley, and Alex Romero.** Each were remarkable and truly inspiring teammates.

In recognition of their contributions and service, their memory shall live forever in our hearts.



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