

# GET University Hospitals Harrington Heart & Vascular Institute

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## Institute Update | November 2015



### Message from the President

UH Harrington Heart & Vascular Institute is busier than ever as our cardiovascular experts provide world-class services to more and more patients across our region. So let's **Get Pumped about our continued growth**. We can all be proud ambassadors for our institute because we are:

- In the top 1 percent of hospitals nationally for cardiology and heart surgery
- Doubling heart surgery volume systemwide with our expanding team of cardiac surgeons
- No. 1 in cardiac catheterization and electrophysiology volume in our eight-county primary service area
- Northeast Ohio's only fully integrated Onco-Cardiology program

Be sure to remind your UH colleagues that they can learn more about UH Harrington Heart & Vascular Institute, our innovative approaches and pioneering achievements by visiting [GetPumped.org](http://GetPumped.org).

Sincerely,

Daniel I. Simon, MD  
President, UH Harrington Heart & Vascular Institute

### Focus on vascular surgery

Our vascular surgeons offer leading minimally invasive therapies for aortic disease, including endovascular aortic repair (EVAR) and thoracic endovascular aortic repair (TEVAR). The team also specializes in autologous stem cell therapy to prevent amputation in patients with severe arterial disease, and carotid surgery and stenting for extracranial cerebrovascular disease.

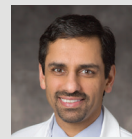
#### Specialized services:

- Treatment of aortic pathologies, cerebrovascular disease and peripheral occlusive disease
- Complex aortic and/or peripheral reconstruction, revascularization or aneurysm repair
- Endovascular treatment of thoracic and abdominal aneurysms
- Percutaneous interventions, including angioplasty, thrombolysis and stenting of peripheral vessels
- Hemodialysis access procedures
- Carotid stenting or endarterectomy
- Laser and radiofrequency ablation for varicose veins
- Complex wound consultation and management

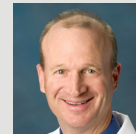
#### Vascular surgeons provide services at:

- UH Case Medical Center
  - UH Ahuja Medical Center
  - UH Geauga Medical Center
  - UH Parma Medical Center
  - UH Portage Medical Center
  - UH Richmond Medical Center
  - St. John Medical Center
  - Southwest General Health Center
  - UH Chagrin Highlands Health Center
  - UH Concord Health Center
  - UH University Suburban Health Center
  - UH Westlake Health Center
- For more information, call **216-844-3800**.

### Vascular surgeons include:



Vikram Kashyap, MD  
Director,  
Vascular Center



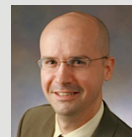
Ferdinand Plecha, MD\*



Henry Baele, MD  
Director,  
Vascular Laboratories



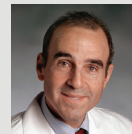
Alexis Powell, MD



Michael Brown, DO



Gregory Rogers, MD\*



Howard Darvin, MD\*



Kaushal Shah, MD



Karem Harth, MD



Christopher Smith, MD



Norman Kumins, MD



Virginia Wong, MD



James Persky, MD\*

\*Affiliated members are community-based cardiovascular physicians who meet the membership criteria for inclusion in UH Harrington Heart & Vascular Institute.

## Spotlight on UH Harrington Heart & Vascular Institute locations

UH Harrington Heart & Vascular Institute spans a wide geography to provide convenient access to cardiovascular care – from Elyria in the west to Conneaut in the east, allowing our patients to receive the highest-quality cardiovascular care close to home. More than 20 sites offer a variety of services including physician appointments, diagnostics, interventional procedures, cardiac and vascular surgery, and clinical trials.

In the future, our institute will continue to expand at locations including Southwest General Health Center, UH Portage Medical Center and Samaritan Regional Hospital System.

Our largest hospitals to the east and west are UH Geauga and Parma medical centers. Here is a quick look at key services at these sites.



### UH Geauga Medical Center

- Gregory Stefano, MD, Medical Director
- Physicians specializing in:
  - General cardiovascular medicine
  - Electrophysiology
  - Heart failure
  - Interventional cardiology
  - Onco-cardiology
  - Vascular surgery
  - Cardiovascular and pulmonary rehabilitation



### UH Parma Medical Center

- Christine Zirafi, MD, Medical Director
- Physicians specializing in:
  - General cardiovascular medicine
  - Electrophysiology
  - Heart failure
  - Interventional cardiology
  - Onco-cardiology
  - Cardiac surgery
  - Vascular surgery
  - Cardiovascular and pulmonary rehabilitation

## New Faces



Alexis Powell, MD  
Vascular Surgery  
UH Case Medical Center  
UH University Suburban Health Center



Michael Brown, DO  
Vascular Surgery  
UH Geauga Medical Center  
UH Portage Medical Center  
UH Concord Health Center



Monique Robinson, MD  
Heart Failure  
UH Case Medical Center



Yuriy Zhukov, MD  
Cardiac Surgery  
UH Elyria Medical Center

## Physicians: Help spread the word and extend UH's reputation

Part of our excellent reputation as a national leader in clinical care comes from UH Case Medical Center's strong standing in U.S. News & World Report's annual "Best Hospitals" rankings. The secure social networking site **Doximity now serves as the primary source for physician opinion** in the reputation portion of these U.S. News rankings.

To help spread the word about the superior care available at UH Case Medical Center, **please register on**

**[Doximity.com](http://Doximity.com) no later than Friday, Dec. 4**, when data will be sourced for the survey.

If you are registered and board-certified in one or more of the medical specialties relevant to the 16 adult and 10 pediatric specialties ranked by U.S. News, you will be eligible to vote for UH Case Medical Center as part of the 2016 U.S. News survey. In early 2016, you will be contacted by email or prompted to complete the survey when you log on to Doximity.

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Saturday, April 9, 2016

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Westlake, Ohio 44145



## Vascular labs reaccredited at UH Parma and St. John medical centers

The vascular labs at UH Parma and St. John medical centers were reaccredited in October by the Intersocietal Accreditation

Commission. Accredited facilities must demonstrate compliance with IAC standards and policies, and submit detailed case studies for review by the IAC Board of Directors to verify the quality of care delivered.

Among the nation's leading academic medical centers, University Hospitals Case Medical Center is the primary affiliate of Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, a nationally recognized leader in medical research and education.