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We are Mass General Cancer Center. We work **for** you.

We're called Mass General/North Shore Cancer Center because we're part of the Mass General family.Our oncologists are Mass General CancerCenter specialists who come from Boston every week to see patients in Danvers. This valuable input? enables us to put together powerful, comprehensive treatmentplans. So, our patients get excellent care and personalized support.

Imagine: Instead of having multiple appointments to determine your care plan you can see all your cancer specialists in one of our multidisciplinary clinics in Danvers. In fact the whole spectrum of services you'll need—from imaging to medical and radiation oncology to surgery and survivorship plans—In Danvers.

It's the best of community and academic medicine. In Danvers.



MEET DR. JOEL SCHWARTZ

Director, Oncology Services, Mass General/North Shore Cancer Center
and Network Development Medical Director, Medical Oncology, Mass General Cancer Center

In 2009, Dr. Schwartz led the transformation of a two-physician practice in Peabody into a comprehensive outpatient treatment center for cancer patients in Danvers. An outstanding oncologist and a skilled administrator, he is the voice and face of the cancer community on the North Shore, tirelessly working to promote the highest quality patient care for members of our community.

Q: How do your patients benefit from the relationship with Mass General Cancer Center?

A: The doctors in Danvers are Mass General Cancer Center specialists who confer on a weekly basis with physicians at our Boston-based campus. So, they can make sure they're providing quality treatment plans for their patients. And they can keep track of the clinical trials that are available in Boston.

Q: Why should patients care about "multidisciplinary care"?

A: Because it means that all the members of an entire team with special expertise are working together for them in one location. So, we can consult with each other to decide on the best way to provide the most personalized care.

Q: How does your center compare with other community cancer care centers?

A: We're unique in that we provide the services of Mass General Cancer Center subspecialists, but we also have imaging and operating rooms right here, as well as integrated therapies like acupuncture and massage. And we have a number of other resources like urgent care and a medical center with 50 primary and specialty care physicians right next door.

Want to learn more about Dr. Schwartz?
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> Patients are satisfied, referring physicians are satisfied, and we are satisfied. After doing this for a while, the doctors become familiar with each other, which results in better care.
>
> —JOEL SCHWARTZ, MD

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Our dedicated multidisciplinary team supports you throughout your cancer journey.

Every patient who comes to Mass General/North Shore Cancer Center benefits from the care of a world-class team dedicated to you with the ultimate in personalized support through every step of the way—from prevention and diagnosis to the latest treatment options and medications through survivorship care plans.

Led by an oncologist who specializes in your specific cancer, your team brings you the benefits of a powerful mix of specialized skills and knowledge. They collaborate to develop a care plan that considers all of your care needs. They meet weekly to assess your needs and your progress.

Benefits

- *Faster access to treatment*
- *Improved care coordination*
- *More opportunities to hear about clinical trials and particpate in trials, if eligible*

We offer a continuum of care for cancer patients. **Right here in Danvers**.

PERSONALIZED CARE FOR BREAST CANCER PATIENTS

A diagnosis of breast cancer can be overwhelming. That's why it's good to know that our multidisciplinary breast cancer team can provide:

- *Highly targeted, highly personalized therapies based on your genetic makeup*
- *All the latest treatment options and medications that are changing the world of breast cancer care—including HER-2 therapies, checkpoint inhibitors, immunotherapy, and more*
- *Treatments with the best chance of working for you—with fewer harmful side effects*
- *Potential opportunities to participate in clinical research*

Meet Dr. Therese Mulvey

Director, Breast Oncology, Mass General/North Shore Cancer Center

Dr. Mulvey has dedicated her career to providing state-of-the-art community-based care for cancer patients. At Mass General/North Shore Cancer Center, she oversees programs designed to ensure that patients have access to high-quality oncology services and leading-edge clinical cancer research.

Q: Has the way you treat breast cancer changed in recent years?

A: Yes, now what used to be considered a single disease is actually about 17 diseases. Because we have learned so much more about the gene changes in cells that cause cancer, we've been able to personalize treatments that specifically target these changes and attack and stop the growth of the specific tumor.

Q: What are the most exciting new breakthroughs?

A: One of the biggest is the identification of the HER-2 molecule, which can be treated with any of several medications. Other advances are immunotherapy and cell cancer checkpoint inhibitors. The number of new medications is amazing. And they're all available at Danvers because we are the Danvers-based campus for Mass General Cancer Center.

Q: Besides treatment options, what other services do you offer for breast cancer patients?

A: We have tremendous resources for our breast cancer patients—including risk identification, genetic testing and counseling, massage therapy, acupuncture, and the support of social workers. I also work with our patients' primary care physicians to develop survivorship care plans. And parking is free!

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"There is a lot more hope.

want to stay away from quotes that promise a 'cure' —THERESE MULVEY, MD"



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We are Mass General Cancer Center. We work for you.
At Mass General / North Shore Cancer Center, you get the best of both worlds—world-class care from Mass General Cancer Center subspecialists and convenient, caring support right in your community. We offer specialized care for a wide range of cancers—including lung, breast, brain, gastrointestinal, gynecologic, head and neck, melanoma, and many others.

Our team makes your care our business.
Our multidisciplinary specialists provide innovative, individually tailored treatment to patients and a comprehensive spectrum of care that includes both the latest treatment options as well as conventional care and clinical trials.

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THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS IN CANCER CARE.

The best in high-tech treatments

The state-of-the-art technologies and expertise at Mass General/North Shore Cancer Center offer the latest advances in radiation therapy and a wide range of less invasive treatment options.

- Our **stereotactic radiosurgery program** offers a highly effective, focused radiosurgery treatment for brain tumors that's painless and noninvasive
- **Stereotactic body radiotherapy** offers highly precise treatments for tumors outside of the central nervous system that is lightning-fast—treatments take about two minutes, compared with treatments that previously lasted as long as 20 minutes
- Our **new linear accelerator** uses photons and electrons to treat all parts of the body
- The **deep inspiration breath hold technique** for left-side breast cancer helps patients protect the heart during radiation treatments

Other technologies include image-guided radiotherapy and intensity-modulated radiotherapy. All of the state-of-the-art technologies available at our center are designed to meet your needs and ensure highest quality of care.

The best in high-touch expertise

Everything and everyone a patient needs is all here. Our experts in radiation and medical oncology work closely together to review results and treatment plans, meaning timely, effective support that helps improve outcomes.

Patients appreciate the carefully choreographed experience at our center, with our team working together to make it a positive experience, every step of the way.

- **Medical and radiation oncologists** monitor the results of imaging and work with the rest of the team to develop an effective, personalized treatment plan
- **Oncology nurses** coordinate care, administer medications, communicate with your doctors on your behalf, help you understand your treatment plan and potential side effects
- **Dosimetrists** help develop the radiation plan and physicists work to ensure its quality and safety
- **Oncology-certified registered dietitians** provide food strategies that help you during and after treatment
- **Social workers** help you navigate a wide range of practical issues—from insurance reimbursement to transportation and other psychosocial needs

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Treatment technologies and compassionate care

At Mass General/North Shore Cancer Center, patients benefit from some of today's most advanced, precise technologies that are designed to meet patient needs and ensure the highest level of quality care. These new technologies are reducing treatment times and improving outcomes. Having all of these technologies—as well as imaging, surgery, and the support of Mass General Cancer Center oncology specialists including physicians, nurses, technologists, therapists, and social workers—ensures much-needed comprehensive care for cancer patients.

> Just as important as our state-of-the-art technologies is the expertise of our doctors.
>
> —JIM MCINTYRE, MD

Meet Dr. James McIntyre

Chief, Radiation Oncology Mass General/North Shore Cancer Center

Dr. McIntyre heads the team of radiation oncology specialists at Mass General / North Shore. With expertise honed by more than two decades of clinical experience and published research, he inspires confidence in his patients with his warm and positive manner.

Q: What are the most exciting treatment technologies available in Danvers?

A: The stereotactic body radiotherapy for lung cancer is a technology that can deliver treatment for lung and liver cancer in as little as two minutes—it used to be 20 minutes! The linear accelerator makes high-energy radiation that customizes high energy x-rays to conform to a tumor's shape and destroy cancer cells while sparing surrounding normal tissue.

Q: Why is it a big deal to have stereotactic radiosurgery in a community setting?

A: It's a breakthrough treatment that we are very proud to be able to offer to our patients. With its large-dose radiation, it can precisely target a tumor without anesthesia or pain and with minimal recovery time.

breakthrough for community?

Q: With all your high-tech capabilities, why is the compassion of your staff so important?

A: You can have all the technology in the world, but it's important for patients to feel supported and cared for so they can find the strength to heal and sustain them throughout their journey.

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A warm and caring environment.

Cancer centers, by the very nature of the illnesses they treat, must provide patients with an environment that is uniquely responsive to the special needs of cancer patients. At Mass General/North Shore, the healthcare professionals who care for patients understand the physical and emotional impacts of cancer and take great pains to provide an environment that includes all the support, privacy, answers, and comfort they need to enhance their ability to heal as they navigate their journey.

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