

Pancreatic Resection for Cancer



Rectal Cancer Surgery

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Some pancreatic cancer patients may be eligible for a pancreatic resection, particularly if the cancer has not spread to any blood vessels, distant lymph nodes or other organs. In this procedure, the surgeon will remove part of the pancreas and may also need to remove the gall bladder, the bile duct and a piece of the small intestine.

Research has shown that patients have better outcomes when they have their pancreatic resection for cancer performed at a hospital and by a surgeon that have more experience with the procedure. These include lower mortality rates, lower complication rates, and a shorter length of stay than for patients who have their surgery done at a hospital or by a surgeon with less experience. Hospitals should also have a multidisciplinary tumor board that prospectively reviews cancer cases to ensure that surgeries are not performed when not needed, known as surgical appropriateness.

This hospital's performance on pancreatic resection for cancer: Some Progress

This hospital performed **9** pancreatic resections for cancer compared to Leapfrog's standard of **20 procedures annually**.

As part of their process for privileging surgeons, this hospital **does** ensure that each surgeon meets or exceeds Leapfrog's minimum surgeon volume



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