

St George Private Hospital

Making Robotic Technology accessible to Sydney's South

The Latest da Vinci Xi
Surgical System

At No Extra Cost



St George
Private Hospital
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Leading Edge Robotic-Assisted Surgery

St George Private Hospital was delighted to be one of the first hospitals in Sydney to have the latest da Vinci® Xi robotic surgical system, a culmination of 25 years of robotic experience.

The latest da Vinci® Xi robot is optimized for complex surgery featuring revolutionary anatomical access, crystal clear 3DHD vision, and a platform designed to seamlessly integrate future innovations.

The da Vinci® Xi Surgical System enables our skilled surgeons to provide patients with minimally invasive surgical options. This new generation of surgical technique complements our comprehensive existing range of minimally invasive treatments and services and we are now thrilled to be offering this remarkable technology to patients at no extra cost.

The da Vinci® Xi Technology- The surgical system

- The da Vinci® Surgical System is powered by state-of-the-art robotic technology. The system allows the surgeon's hand movements to be scaled, filtered and translated into precise movements of micro-instruments within the operative site.
- The da Vinci® System enhances surgical capabilities by enabling the performance of complex surgeries through tiny surgical openings. The system cannot be programmed nor can it make decisions on its own. The da Vinci® System requires that every surgical maneuver be performed with direct input from the surgeon.
- da Vinci® – Eliminates Laparoscopic Compromises

Why St George Private Hospital?

A Safe, Multidisciplinary and Comprehensive Facility

St George Private Hospital is a large 280 bed medical and surgical facility with a strong commitment to providing patients with excellence in quality patient care, access to the latest technologies and surgical techniques.



As the largest private hospital in the South East of Sydney and located next door to St George Public Hospital we can offer patients highly specialised medical care for complex conditions with the safety of a large tertiary public facility only a two minute walk up the road. We have the strong back up support of a 10 bed ICU which admits more than 900 patients annually as well as a high dependency unit for close monitoring. Furthermore, we have access to the full spectrum of medical and surgical specialists who are based on-site providing quick accessibility to multidisciplinary care when required.

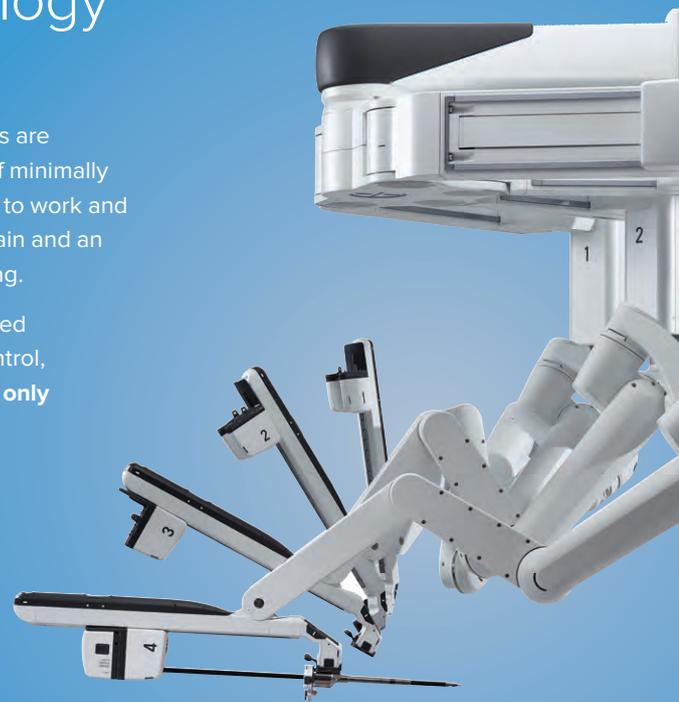
Cutting Edge Robotic Technology at No Extra Cost

Robotic surgery continues to shape the way in which surgical procedures are performed across Australia. It is widely accepted as an advanced form of minimally invasive surgery resulting in a faster recovery allowing patients to return to work and their regular daily activities more quickly, whilst experiencing reduced pain and an improved cosmetic result due to smaller incisions resulting in less scarring.

The latest version of the robot, the da Vinci Xi, is allowing our highly skilled specialists to enhance their surgical capabilities to provide improved control, precision and movements. **This latest generation of da Vinci Xi robot is only available at St George Private in Sydney's SouthEast.**

All private patients proceeding with surgery, whether that be through the robotic approach, laparoscopically or the traditional open approach, are required to pay usual doctors' fees, anaesthetist fees and hospital fees, where applicable. However, when robotic assisted surgery was initially introduced this new technology came with an extra cost to cover the consumables required, often making this surgical approach out of reach for patients.

St George Private is thrilled to make this innovative technology available to all patients at no extra cost, allowing our surgeons to choose the appropriate surgical approach for each patient without the underlying concern of an extra expense that they might not be able to afford.





Skilled and Dedicated Robotic Theatre Team

To ensure our facility can provide specialist robotic care for our patients and a streamlined, efficient and safe working environment for our surgeons we have a dedicated robotic theatre featuring the da Vinci Xi surgical system and our specialists are supported by a dedicated robotic theatre team.

This team have undergone comprehensive training in the robotic approach so that they can facilitate this highly skilled surgery. Our growing group of 8 robotic theatre nurses ensures that every robotic case has a minimum of 3 specialist nurses to facilitate and ensure the smooth set-up and running of the surgery.

Leading the Way with Robotic Technology

Oesophagectomy - A First in Australia

Oesophageal cancer is one of the less common forms of cancer, unlike breast and prostate cancer it is not regularly promoted by the media. This type of cancer has been viewed in the past as having a very poor survival rate and surgery to remove it viewed as too extreme to contemplate in many patients. However, latest advances in medical and surgical techniques, which are now available in Sydney's South, are assisting patients in the recovery process following surgical treatment for this disease.

According to the Cancer Council Australia, 1400 Australians are affected by this disease every year. We don't think about the oesophagus much, but as its role is to get food from the mouth into the stomach for digestion, patients with oesophageal cancer can suffer significant problems such as malnutrition, reflux and inability to eat solids. An oesophagectomy is performed to treat this form of cancer and involves the removal of the diseased part of the oesophagus and the upper part of the stomach.

Associate Professor Michael Talbot, performed the first Robotic Oesophagectomy in Australia at St George Private earlier this year. He stated that the robotic oesophagectomy procedure offers an alternate minimally invasive option for patients which offers the same chance of cure but with far less pain and a faster recovery.





Robotic-Assisted Procedures at St George Private

Urological Robotic Procedures

- Partial Nephrectomy
- Radical Prostatectomy
- Lymph Node Dissection
- Ureteric re-implantation

ENT and Head & Neck Robotic Procedures

- Transoesophageal tumour removal

Gynaecology Robotic Procedures

- Sub-total Hysterectomy
- Sacrocolpopexy with hysterectomy

Golorectal Robotic Procedures

- Rectopexy
- Low and High Anterior Resection
- Right Hemicolectomy

General & Upper Gastrointestinal Robotic Procedures

- Cholecystectomy
- Liver Resection
- Pancreatic Resection
- Hiatal Hernias
- Gastric Bypass
- Ventral Hernia Repair
- Oesophagostomy

Experienced Robotic Specialists

St George Private's robotic surgical team is comprised of 18 highly skilled specialists working across four different specialties including Urology, Gynaecology, Head and Neck, Colorectal and Upper Gastrointestinal surgery. Our robotic specialists and dedicated theatre team have expertise in a range of robotic procedures for cancer related conditions as well as other complex conditions requiring extreme precision and movements.

“Patients can avoid having a large abdominal and chest incision which is required with the traditional open procedure. The smaller incisions lead to a faster recovery, earlier commencement of diet and ultimately an earlier discharge from hospital.”

“This type of minimally invasive oesophagectomy, laparoscopic or robotic, is less commonly performed than open surgery, but trials have shown a lesser complication rate and improved cancer survival.”

Robotic Surgery Specialists

Following is a list of our robotic specialists along with practice location and contact numbers to facilitate a streamlined referral.

Urology



Dr Peter Aslan

Practice Location: Hurstville
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Dr Tru Ngo

Practice Location: Miranda
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F: (02) 9540 3319
L: Cantonese and Vietnamese



A/Prof Paul Cozzi

Practice Location: Hurstville, Miranda
T: (02) 9570 5510
F: (02) 9570 5578



Dr Dinesh Patel

Practice Location: Campsie
T: (02) 8197 1900
F: (02) 9011 5251



Dr Norbert Doeuk

Practice Location: Kogarah,
Camperdown, Chatswood
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F: (02) 9475 0801
L: French



Dr Bill Papadopoulos

Practice Location: Kogarah
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F: (02) 9531 1722
L: Greek



Dr Anthony Hutton

Practice Location: Hurstville
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F: (02) 8046 8090



Dr Arthur Vasilaris

Practice Location: Camperdown
T: (02) 9516 5333
F: (02) 9516 5444
L: Greek



Dr Dominic Lee

Practice Location: Hurstville
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F: (02) 8046 8090
L: Cantonese, Mandarin and French



Dr Nari Ahmadi

Practice Location: Newtown
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F: (02) 9557 5034



Dr Scott Leslie

Practice Location: Camperdown
T: (02) 9519 1331
F: (02) 9475 5234

ENT and Head & Neck



A/Prof Michael Farrell

Practice Location: Kogarah, Miranda
T: (02) 9553 1281
F: (02) 9553 1269



Dr John McGuiness

Practice Location: Kogarah, Campbelltown
T: 1300 362 715
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Gynaecology



A/Prof Emmanuel Karantanis

Practice Location: Kogarah
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F: (02) 9553 1810



Dr Gregory Cario

Practice Location: Kogarah, Hurstville
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Dr Sarah Choi

Practice Location: Kogarah, Chatswood
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Dr Danny Chou

Practice Location: Kogarah
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General, Upper Gastrointestinal and Bariatrics



A/Prof Michael Talbot

Practice Location: Kogarah
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Dr Kenneth Loi

Practice Location: Kogarah, Miranda
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Dr David Yeo

Practice Location: Kogarah,
Camperdown
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Colorectal



Dr Steven Gan

Practice Location: Kogarah,
Hurstville, Miranda
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Dr Shevy Perera

Practice Location: Hurstville
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Dr Kim Chi Phan Thien

Practice Location: Kogarah
and Hurstville
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Dr Matthew Morgan

Practice Location: Liverpool
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Dr Daniel Kozman

Practice Location: Kogarah and Bankstown
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Dr Catherine Turner

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