

Colorectal Cancer at the MemorialCare Todd Cancer Institute

at Long Beach Medical Center

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Colorectal cancer is the 3rd most commonly diagnosed cancer in the United States and it is the 3rd leading cause of cancer death. It is a common and lethal cancer.

Approximately 20 percent of patients are diagnosed at Stage IV. Thirty-three percent of patients who are diagnosed with colorectal cancer will die from it.



Significant Advancements

There have been significant advancements in the management of colorectal cancer, including medical management and surgical management. The good news is that colorectal cancer is a preventable disease through a variety of screening tests, the most important being a colonoscopy.



Comprehensive Colorectal Cancer Program

At the MemorialCare Todd Cancer Institute at Long Beach Medical Center, we have a comprehensive Colorectal Cancer Program where pathologists, radiologists, nuclear medicine specialists, genetic specialists, gastroenterologists, radiotherapists, surgeons, medical oncologists, palliative care team and psychosocial team meet regularly to analyze newly diagnosed cases and to recommend the best course of treatment. Our goal is to optimize clinical outcomes.



Amy Louise Sebelius, 46

Amy Louise is a drama teacher, actor and improv artist. She is full of life and laughter, but when cancer came knocking she had a choice, let it overcome her or continue laughing.



Review and Analyze

The MemorialCare Todd Cancer Institute at Long Beach Medical Center is accredited by the Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons. An important aspect of our cancer program is to review and analyze outcomes.



Evidence-based National Guidelines

Each year, we conduct studies to ensure that patients' treatment is compliant with evidence-based national guidelines, such as those developed by the National Quality Forum (NQF), the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) or the National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN).

We compare our practice performance against other hospitals who are accredited by the Commission on Cancer.

The data below is provided by the National Cancer Data Base (NCDB).

Adjuvant chemotherapy is recommended or administered within four months (120 days) of diagnosis for patients under the age of 80 with AJCC stage III (lymph node positive) colon cancer

Long Beach Medical Center	100.0%
State of California	86.4%
My Census Region	88.3%
My ACS Region	86.4%
My Commission on Cancer Program Type	87.4%
All Commission on Cancer Approved Programs	89.4%

DIAGNOSIS YEAR 2015



At least 12 regional lymph nodes are removed and pathologically examined for resected colon cancer

Long Beach Medical Center	87.5%
State of California	92.6%
My Census Region	93.3%
My ACS Region	92.6%
My Commission on Cancer Program Type	93.8%
All Commission on Cancer Approved Programs	92.2%



Preoperative chemo and radiation are administered for clinical AJCC T3NO, T4NO, or Stage III; or Postoperative chemo and radiation are administered within 180 days of diagnosis for clinical AJCC T1-2NO with pathologic AJCC T3NO, T4NO, or Stage III; or treatment is recommended; for patients under the age of 80 receiving resection for rectal cancer

Long Beach Medical Center	100%
State of California	87.8%
My Census Region	89.8%
My ACS Region	87.8%
My Commission on Cancer Program Type	88.2%
All Commission on Cancer Approved Programs	88.2%

