

# USC Caruso Department of Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery

Keck Medicine of USC



## USC HEAD AND NECK CENTER

Providing the care and support your patients need

At the USC Head and Neck Center, part of the USC Caruso Department of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery at Keck Medicine of USC, patient-centered care is our specialty. We offer the expertise and support patients need — from diagnoses through treatment and rehabilitation.

Our health care team understands how challenging the diagnosis of a head and neck ailment is to patients and their loved ones. Throughout the patient journey, the team provides the clinical and emotional support needed for health and wellness. Our multidisciplinary team includes a patient navigator, clinical dietitian and speech language pathologist dedicated to head and neck rehabilitation.

In collaboration with the USC Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center, the USC Head and Neck Center conducts multiple clinical trials, including early detection of cancer utilizing liquid biopsy with blood and saliva for qualifying patients. Our clinical research also focuses on testing new therapies for cancer, optimizing existing treatments, discovering prevention methods and developing ways to improve quality of life. Visit our website to view a list of current clinical trials.

## SUPPORT GROUPS

Psychosocial healing is just as important as physical healing. Our support groups are here to help.

### Patient and Caregiver Program

The Patient and Caregiver Program provides support and education and promotes awareness about head and neck cancer. A specialized support group is also available to patients undergoing or recovering from laryngectomy. The focus of these support groups is to enhance quality of life.

### Family Caregiver Support Program

The Family Caregiver Support Program allows caregivers to share how they cope with the tasks, worries and routines of caring for a love one with head and neck cancer.

For physicians:

To refer a patient, call

**(323) 442-0118**

For patients:

To schedule an appointment, call

**(323) 442-5790**

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## TREATMENTS OFFERED

### Reconstructive Surgery

Our surgeons specialize in complex microvascular reconstructive surgery. The result is not only a better cosmetic outcome but also improved speech, swallowing and breathing.

### Robotic Surgery

Keck Medicine was the first academic medical center on the West Coast to offer transoral robotic surgery (TORS) following U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval. TORS is a minimally invasive approach that gives the surgeon enhanced dexterity and greater precision in tumor removal.

### Laryngectomy

Keck Medicine offers a comprehensive laryngectomy program, which encompasses pretreatment counseling, psychosocial evaluation, surgery (robotic and nonrobotic), chemotherapy and speech and swallowing rehabilitation.

### Thyroid and Parathyroid Surgery

At Keck Medicine, we approach every patient's cancer carefully and plan individualized treatment. In most cases, surgery remains the cornerstone of treatment for thyroid and parathyroid cancer. Options include thyroid lobectomy, total thyroidectomy and minimally invasive parathyroidectomy.

### Skin Cancer Treatment

Our surgeons are experts in cancer management, reconstruction and sentinel lymph node biopsy. Patients have access to surgeons, oncologists and radiation oncologists specialized in melanoma, Merkel cell cancer and nonmelanoma skin cancers.

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## OUR EXPERT SURGICAL TEAM



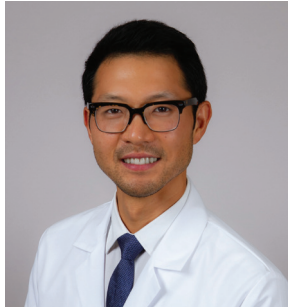
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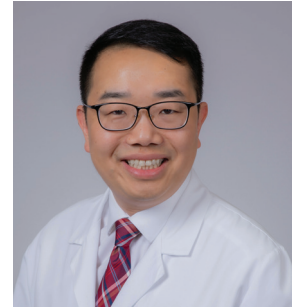
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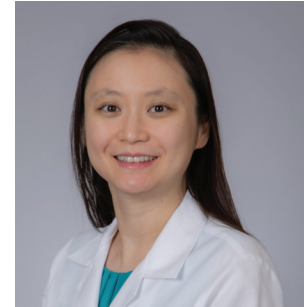
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