The Tulane Cancer Center is home to several expert cancer physicians specializing in all areas of cancer care.

Our Team Approach to Comprehensive Cancer Care - The Tulane Cancer Center provides cancer prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and rehabilitation with an emphasis on convenience for our patients and their families and with a team approach to comprehensive cancer care. That means our patients are able to visit with a number of our specialists in one location, often in one appointment, providing them with one-stop cancer care. Additionally, our cancer specialists are able to confer-ence together easily to discuss options and to establish the best course of action for each patient.

Our State-of-the-Art Clinical Facility—The Tulane Cancer Center Comprehensive Clinic is a recently renovated, 20,000-square-foot, state-of-the art facility serving patients not only from New Orleans and the Gulf Coast, but from other locations across the United States and throughout the world. The clinic offers radiation oncology services, an infusion suite, a patient resource library and cancer counseling services, an Office of Clinical Research, and convenient parking.

Our Genetic Counseling Program Assists Those With a Family History of Cancer - Tulane’s Hayward Genetics Center is the most comprehensive genetic counseling and testing center in the Gulf South, providing both adult and pediatric genetics testing and counseling services for a number of diseases, including cancer. Our board-certified genetic counselor and geneticists work in concert to provide genetic risk assessments and testing, when available, to patients with a family history of certain cancers, particularly breast, ovarian, and colon cancer.
On-Site Radiation Oncology Services—Tulane’s on-site Radiation Oncology unit houses two linear accelerators, each with a full range of radiation beam energies. Our team performs stereotactic radiosurgery, intensity modulated radiation therapy, and both high- and low-dose brachytherapy. The sophisticated support of CT and three-dimensional planning ensures that the radiation therapy will target the tumor cells with minimal side effects. Our medically skilled team of radiation oncologists, physicists, dosimetrists and technicians bring special expertise and years of experience to the multidisciplinary approach to cancer care.

Our Free Cancer Screenings Emphasize Prevention—When cancer is found early, it is more successfully treated. At the Tulane Cancer Center, we offer free cancer screenings for those diseases where early detection has been shown to make a difference. The screenings currently include prostate cancer screenings, which include a PSA blood test, and skin cancer screenings, which include a visual exam. Specialized oncology physicians and nursing personnel in each field perform these exams.

Our Clinical Research Trials Offer Patients Access to Investigational Treatment / Prevention Options—As an academic cancer center, Tulane places great importance on offering our patients access to new and evolving treatment for many types of cancer. Clinical research plays a vital role in solving today’s health challenges. Much of the excellent medical care that individuals receive today is the result of innovative, carefully designed clinical studies. Today’s patients are the beneficiaries of prior clinical research and, at the same time, contribute to the better treatment options we can offer to future patients.

Our Basic Research Scientists Work With Our Clinicians to Move Us Closer to a Cure—At Tulane, our cancer teams include dozens of laboratory scientists who study cancer at the molecular level and use the data they obtain as well as communication with our clinicians to constantly explore new avenues in the hopes of better understanding cancer and how to cure it. Our patients benefit from this “lab bench to bedside” philosophy. Our most active translational research teams are investigating:

- racial disparities in prostate cancer incidence and mortality
- genetic contributors to familial prostate cancer
- circadian rhythm disruption and increased cancer risk
- triple-negative breast cancer
- cervical cancer and human papillomavirus
- Epstein Barr virus and its connection to some cancers
- liver cancer and personal genomics
- head and neck cancers
- cancer genetics and mobile elements

Our In-House Cancer Counseling Center Attends to the Emotional Needs of Our Patients and Their Families—The Patricia Trost Friedler Center for Psychosocial Oncology at Tulane Cancer Center offers psychological, emotional, and educational support for our patients and their family members through a number of services, including individual and family counseling, a variety of support groups, wellness workshops, and a resource library.