

# **Breast Reconstruction**



Roswell Park's Plastic & Reconstructive surgeons use the **most advanced techniques** to preserve and restore the appearance of the breasts. We offer immediate, immediate-delayed and delayed reconstruction, depending on patient preference, disease status and overall treatment plan.

#### What Sets Us Apart

- **Highly-trained surgical team** uniquely qualified to address any reconstruction need, including those related to cancer, mastectomy or effects of treatment.
- High-volume facility for breast reconstruction.
- **Reconstruction plan coordinated** with patient's on-site or community-based cancer care team.

#### **Procedures We Offer**

- Breast implants. Options include silicone or saline implants alone, implants plus biologic dermal substitutes, or implants plus the patient's own flaps.
- Free flap surgeries using microvascular techniques allow the transfer of a patient's tissue from multiple body regions to the operated site. These include:
  - Deep Inferior Epigastric Perforator (DIEP) flap
  - Superficial Inferior Epigastric Perforator (SIEP) flap
  - Gluteal Artery Perforator (GAP) flap
  - Transverse Upper Gracilis (TUG) flap
  - TRAM flap
  - Latissimus Dorsi flap
- Autologous fat transfer, using a patient's fat from other body locations to fill concave deformities.
- Combination of implant, flap and/or autologous fat transfer.
- Nipple and areola reconstruction. More than 50 techniques offer range of options including tattooing to suit each patient's specific case.
- Lymph node transplantation to reduce or eliminate lymphedema symptoms.
- Symmetry procedures, such as breast reduction, augmentation or lift to achieve similar effect on other breast.

#### **About Insurance Coverage**

Federal law (Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998) requires group health insurance plans and HMOs that cover mastectomy costs to also cover reconstruction surgery or other post-mastectomy treatments for female breast cancer patients. Required coverage includes:

- all stages of reconstruction on the affected breast,
- symmetry procedures to the other breast, and
- prostheses and treatment of physical side effects of mastectomy such as lymphedema.

Our Plastic & Reconstruction surgeons will evaluate all potential options and will work with the patient to plan a safe and effective breast reconstruction that meets patient needs and preferences.

### Meet the Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery Team



Robert Lohman, MD Associate Professor of Oncology Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery



Wong Moon, MD, FACS Associate Professor of Oncology Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery



**Cemile Nurdan Ozturk, MD** Associate Professor of Oncology Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery

## Contact US Call 716-845-RPMD

(845-7763) to arrange a consultation, second opinion or to refer a patient.



