WHY CHOOSE THE STANFORD CARDIAC SURGERY PROGRAM AT DAMERON HOSPITAL?

Dameron Hospital has partnered with Stanford Health Care and the Stanford School of Medicine to bring a new level of cardiac and thoracic treatment to San Joaquin County by leveraging the brightest minds in medicine with state-of-the-art technology and advanced surgical techniques. This innovative program offers:

- Access to breakthrough clinical care and research programs
- Minimally invasive cardiac and thoracic surgeries, which result in less pain and shorter recovery times
- Fewer physical restrictions after surgery—e.g., patients can drive and lift objects during the recovery process

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EXCELLENCE IN CARDIAC CARE
WHAT IS CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE?

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, coronary artery disease is responsible for one in four deaths in the U.S. In this case, certain risk factors, such as smoking, high cholesterol and diabetes, can cause plaque to build up inside the coronary arteries, preventing oxygen-rich blood from reaching the heart.

SYMPTOMS OF CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE

You may be at risk of developing heart and lung disease if you exhibit the following symptoms:

- Irregular heartbeat
- Shortness of breath
- Discomfort in the chest, arms, back, jaw and/or neck
- Nausea
- Dizziness
- Fatigue

If any of these symptoms persist and you think you may have a medical emergency, please call your doctor, go to the emergency department, or call 911 immediately.

CLOGGED CORONARY ARTERY

If left untreated, the plaque can harden and rupture, creating blood clots that can limit blood flow and trigger angina, or chest discomfort. This pain typically starts in the chest and can move to other locations in the body, like the arms, jaw and back. When blood flow is cut off from the heart for an extended period of time, it can lead to heart attack, stroke and other serious health complications.

WHAT IS CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY?

Cardiothoracic surgery pertains to all organs in the thorax, such as the heart, lung, esophagus and other chest organs. Common cardiothoracic procedures include:

- Heart valve repair
- Tumor removal
- Surgery for coronary artery disease
- Arrhythmia surgery
- Ventricular remodeling
- Structural heart defect repair
- Lung surgery for cancer
- Minimally invasive heart and lung surgery

“My goal as a surgeon is to provide my patients with the best possible outcomes using the most advanced medical techniques available, and I believe that the cardiac surgery program at Dameron aligns perfectly with this objective. I’m excited about joining the team and becoming a part of the local community.”

– Dr. Maria Currie MD, PhD, FRCSC