Minimally Invasive Surgery Suite:
The Lawrence B. Taishoff Center for Endovascular Surgery
Washington Hospital Center
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Vascular surgeons at Washington Hospital Center perform approximately 1,800 operations every year, nearly four times more than any other hospital in the area.

The Lawrence B. Taishoff Center for Endovascular Surgery was made possible through a $1 million gift from the Taishoff Family Foundation, in appreciation of the care given to Lawrence Taishoff by Cameron Akbari, MD, senior vascular surgeon at the Washington Hospital Center. It is the first and only hybrid suite for minimally invasive endovascular surgery in Washington, DC.

The gift was made in 2010. The suite officially opened on February 28, 2011.
The minimally invasive surgery suite is state-of-the art, featuring the most advanced surgical and radiographic equipment needed for endovascular surgery.
What is a hybrid suite?

A hybrid suite is just that: a hybrid incorporating all of the functional capabilities of a traditional operating room with a fully integrated endovascular radiologic imager to deliver the most advanced, state-of-the-art vascular surgical operations. This allows surgeons to perform complex combined procedures, which are simply not possible with traditional open or endovascular surgery alone.

Most operating rooms in the country will have a portable radiologic unit to use during vascular surgeries; however, the imaging and processing capabilities are vastly inferior to one in which the imaging equipment is built into the operating room. That is what makes the Taishoff suite so unique.
Cameron Akbari, MD, senior vascular surgeon, demonstrates the sophistication of the technology to Nancy Lee Keshishian, a member of our generous donor family.
Other medical staff can watch the procedure outside the minimally invasive suite, from this monitoring room.
Our team makes patient care a priority, both before, during and after surgery. Learn more by watching, “What to Expect: Your Surgery at Washington Hospital Center.”
Vascular Conditions We Treat

Our board-certified vascular surgeons have the most experience evaluating and treating vascular disease in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area.

We are the treatment center of choice for vascular disease because we diagnose and treat these conditions accurately using the most advanced technology available in the United States.

See a list of vascular conditions we treat.
If you would like to meet with one of our vascular specialists, call DOCTorsLine at 202/877-DOCS (3627). A DOCTorsLine coordinator will find the right doctor for you and schedule an appointment, usually within 48 hours. DOCTorsLine is a free physician-referral service of the Hospital Center.