



At Gastro Florida, we understand the importance of collaborative care with fellow specialists. Our Advanced Endoscopists/Interventional GIs look forward to working with your team to deliver enhanced care to each of our shared patients. These gastroenterologists with additional advanced GI therapeutic training are dedicated to protecting the integrity of the patient-physician relationship and aim to build a mutual respect and open communication with our referring partners.

Oncology

- Advanced Mucosal Resection and Submucosal Dissection of Esophageal, Gastric, Duodenal and Colon Lesions
- Celiac Plexus Block/Neurolysis for Pain Management
- Endoscopic and EUS evaluation of Luminal GI Malignancies
- EUS Placement of Fiducial
- Pancreas, Biliary, Retroperitoneal and Mediastinal EUS Evaluation and Biopsy

General Gastroenterology

- Biliary and Pancreatic ERCP
- EMR and ESD of GI Lesions
- Endoscopic Management of Complications Including Stenting, Endoscopic Suturing, and Dilation
- EUS Guided ERCP (EDGE procedure) for Gastric Bypass Patients
- EUS Guided Liver Biopsy
- Evaluation of Dilated Bile Duct
- Gastric Outlet Reduction for Weight Regain
- Management of Difficult Strictures

Bariatric Surgeons

- Endoscopic Management of Complications Including Stenting, Endoscopic Suturing, and Dilation
- EUS Guided ERCP (EDGE procedure) for Gastric Bypass Patients
- Gastric Outlet Reduction for Weight Regain

General Surgery

- Advanced Mucosal Resection and Submucosal Dissection of Esophageal, Gastric, Duodenal and Colon Lesions
- Biliary and Pancreatic ERCP
- Celiac Plexus Block/Neurolysis for Pain Management
- EMR and ESD of GI Lesions
- Endoscopic and EUS evaluation of Luminal GI Malignancies
- Endoscopic Management of Complications Including Stenting, Endoscopic Suturing, and Dilation
- EUS Evaluation of Mediastinal Lesions
- EUS Guided Cholecystostomy and Drainage of Surgical Fluid Collections
- EUS Guided ERCP (EDGE procedure) for Gastric Bypass Patients
- EUS Guided Gastroenterostomy for Gastric Outlet Obstruction
- EUS Guided Liver Biopsy
- EUS Guided Necrosectomy and Pseudocyst Drainage
- EUS Placement of Fiducial
- Evaluation of Dilated Bile Duct
- Gastric Outlet Reduction for Weight Regain
- Management of Difficult Strictures
- Pancreas, Biliary, Retroperitoneal and Mediastinal EUS Evaluation and Biopsy

Meet Our GI Interventionists

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Professional Highlights

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Professional Highlights

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PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS: American College of Gastroenterology and American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy



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Education

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FELLOWSHIP: University of South Florida - Tampa, FL

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Professional Highlights

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Professional Highlights

CERTIFICATIONS: Board-certified in Gastroenterology and Internal Medicine

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