The Liver Tumor Program is comprised of a multidisciplinary, dedicated team of specialized health-care providers offering comprehensive, minimally invasive surgical and non-surgical services for patients with liver disease. Our Program is committed to providing seamless, culturally sensitive care to the Chinese community, which suffers from a higher incidence of liver disease. It is our goal to provide patients from the Chinese community with the highest level of care without them having to leave their neighborhood. Our nurses and medical staff are fluent in both Cantonese and Mandarin. We offer patients community-based, convenient access to the unique expertise and pioneering research of highly trained Weill Cornell physicians. Our Hospital has been ranked the #1 hospital in the New York area by US News & World Report for thirteen years in a row.

Referring physicians are considered an integral part of the treatment team, and we are committed to ensuring that referring physicians remain involved in their patients’ care. The results of diagnostic tests, OR reports and interventional procedures are communicated to the referring physician immediately after their patient is treated. Our team will schedule an appointment within a few days of a referral, and share with the referring physician an individualized treatment plan which best meets the patient’s needs. In addition to surgery and interventional radiology, other patient services, such as liver transplantation, can be coordinated and facilitated as needed.

Jing Lan Li, R.N., N.P.
is a Family Nurse Practitioner who works closely with the multidisciplinary physician group which comprise the Liver Disease Program. She received her nursing degree from Rutgers University and a Masters degree in nursing from Pace University. Fluent in Mandarin and conversant in Cantonese, she is a nurse manager with more than 20 years experience working closely with the Chinese community at New York-Presbyterian/Lower Manhattan Hospital.

Eliza Yue
is an experienced senior patient coordinator for the Liver Disease Program. Eliza is fluent in Cantonese, and earned her BA in Sociology from Hunter College. She schedules patient appointments and surgical procedures and coordinates closely with referring physicians to keep them informed about their patients’ treatment and to schedule case presentations for the GI Tumor Board.

The Liver Tumor Program of Weill Cornell Medical College specializes in the comprehensive surgical and non-surgical management of:

- Hepatocellular carcinoma
- Bile duct cancer
- Metastases to the liver from colorectal and other cancers
- Benign liver neoplasms, including adenoma, focal nodular hyperplasia and hemangioma
- Pancreatic cancer
- Gallbladder disease and cancer
- Neuroendocrine tumors

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The GI Tumor Board
The NewYork-Presbyterian/Lower Manhattan GI Oncology Tumor Board is a monthly meeting of surgeons, radiologists, interventional radiologists, pathologists, gastroenterologists, medical oncologists, radiation oncologists, and primary care physicians in which patients with complex gastrointestinal malignancies are discussed in a multidisciplinary forum. At the GI Tumor Board, patients with complex gastrointestinal malignancies are discussed in a multidisciplinary forum. Radiographic studies and pathologic slides are reviewed and a specific, personalized treatment plan is developed via group consensus. This meeting is open to all referring physicians and we welcome new providers to join us. If you have a patient that you would like presented at the GI Tumor Board, please contact Eliza Yue at 646-962-5131 who will facilitate radiographic and pathologic review and provide you with the meeting schedule and details.
Bradley B. Pua, M.D.
is Assistant Professor of Radiology and Assistant Attending Radiologist at NewYorkPresbyterian/Well Cornell Medical Center, specializing in interventional radiology. An experienced, board-certified radiologist, Dr. Pua’s clinical expertise include a wide array of interventional procedures including tumor ablations, arterial embolizations, stent placements, image-guided biopsies and vascular access. His interests include both pediatric interventions and minimally invasive cancer therapy, with a particular interest in providing access to high quality care to the Chinese community.

Dr. Pua obtained a B.S. degree in chemistry from New York University (NYU) and continued at NYU School of Medicine where he received his M.D. He completed three years of surgical residency at New York University Medical Center prior to deciding to pursue a career in interventional radiology and subsequently completed a fellowship in interventional radiology at NewYork-Presbyterian/Well Cornell Medical Center and Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. Dr. Pua remained at NYP/Well Cornell to complete his diagnostic radiology residency and was selected to serve as chief resident in his final year.

Dr. Pua was the recipient of the Distinguished Housestaff Award from the Weill Cornell Alumni Council and currently is a reviewer for a variety of journals such as Radiology, Journal of Vascular and Interventional Radiology and Clinical Imaging. He has published numerous original manuscripts and book chapters on a variety of aspects of minimally invasive cancer care and been invited as guest editor for seminars in Interventional Radiology. He is an active member of many prestigious medical societies including the Society of Interventional Radiology, the Radiologic Society of North America, the Chinese American Medical Society and the Association of Chinese American Physicians.

Benjamin J. Golas, M.D.
is Assistant Professor of Surgery and Assistant Attending Surgeon at NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center. Dr. Golas is an experienced, board-certified surgeon, specializing in hepatopancreaticobiliary surgery and surgical oncology. His practice is conveniently located downtown in the newly-renovated patient care center at 156 William Street. Dr. Golas performs the most advanced, minimally invasive surgery at NewYork-Presbyterian/Lower Manhattan Hospital. His focus is in the treatment of primary liver cancers, metastatic liver lesions, along with pancreatic and biliary malignancies. Dr. Golas has strong experience and expertise in laparoscopic procedures for liver cancer, liver metastases, pancreatic cancer, and other gastrointestinal malignancies.

Dr. Golas received his M.D. from the Georgetown University School of Medicine in Washington, DC, where he graduated magna cum laude and was elected to the Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) medical honor society. He completed a residency in general surgery at New York-Presbyterian/Well Cornell Medical Center, and was selected to serve as the chief surgical resident. Dr. Golas went on to complete a fellowship in surgical oncology with advanced specialty training in liver and pancreatic surgery at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, under the guidance of Dr. David Geller, a world-renowned hepatobiliary surgeon and a pioneer in the field of laparoscopic liver surgery. He also completed a research fellowship in the laboratory of epithelial cancer biology at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. He is a member of several prestigious medical societies, including the Society of Surgical Oncology and the Americas Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Association. Dr. Golas has published in multiple scientific journals, was a contributing editor for General Surgery Review, and authored a chapter entitled “Laparoscopic Liver Resection in the treatment of Hepatocellular Carcinoma and Colorectal Cancer Liver Metastases.” He has presented at many national scientific conferences across the country on minimally invasive surgery for hepatobiliary cancer and advanced surgical treatment for colorectal cancer liver metastases.

David Li, M.D., Ph.D.
is an experienced, board-certified radiologist specializing in interventional radiology. He is Assistant Professor of Radiology and Assistant Attending Radiologist at NewYorkPresbyterian/Well Cornell Medical Center. As a Chinese American, born and raised in New York City, he is interested in providing the highest quality of healthcare to the local Chinese community.

Board-certified in diagnostic radiology from the American Board of Radiology, Dr. Li’s clinical expertise is in interventional radiology. He specializes in the treatment of liver cancer with the ability to perform procedures spanning from diagnosis to treatment, including palliation. Minimally invasive procedures include: image guided needle biopsies; percutaneous tumor ablations including radiofrequency and microwave ablation; transarterial embolizations, including chemoembolization, radioembolization and drug-eluting beads; percutaneous and transjugular intrahepatic portosystemic stent (TIPS).

Dr. Li’s research interests involve improving upon liver cancer care by combining pre-existing oncologic therapies in a multidisciplinary setting. He believes that this approach, in combination with harnessing novel therapeutic strategies which can be targeted to tumors by percutaneous or transarterial means, will further advance the field of liver cancer treatment.

Dr. Li was awarded his B.S., magna cum laude, in biomedical engineering from Columbia University, New York, NY. He earned both his M.D. and Ph.D from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, NY. Dr. Li was inducted to the Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) medical honor society upon graduation. Dr. Li earned his Master’s degree in physiology and biophysics with honors prior to completion of his Ph.D. He did a transitional internship year at North Shore University Hospital, Manhasset, NY prior to completing a residency in diagnostic radiology at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center–Harvard Medical School in Boston, MA. Dr. Li joined the NewYork-Presbyterian/Well Cornell Medical Center Department of Radiology’s faculty after a year of fellowship training in interventional radiology at NYP/Well Cornell.