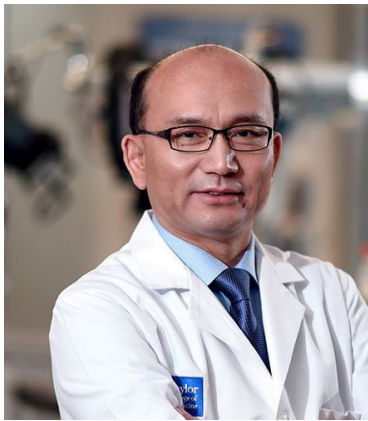


The Texas Heart Institute at Baylor College of Medicine Cardiology Grand Rounds

Friday, February 13, 2026
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

The Evolution of Robotic Cardiac Surgery



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In-Person Location

Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center
Denton A. Cooley Auditorium (C060, Level B1)
6720 Bertner Avenue

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Objectives: At the conclusion of the session, the participants should be able to:

- Discuss the history of robotic cardiac surgery.
- Explain the benefits and challenges of robotic cardiac surgery.
- Describe the future direction of robotic cardiac surgery.

Target Audience: This activity is intended for cardiologists, cardiovascular and cardiothoracic surgeons, anesthesiologists, intensivists, primary care physicians, fellows, residents, medical students, physician assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners, other advanced practice providers, and perfusionists at Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center,

Baylor College of Medicine, and the greater Texas Medical Center.

Needs Statement: Clinicians engaged in the practice of cardiovascular medicine including physicians in practice, faculty members, fellows, residents, medical students, allied health and other healthcare practitioners and care team members in related disciplines need to receive regular updates on evidence-based clinical practices, and technological and pharmaceutical advances in cardiovascular medicine. The series aims to expand the knowledge of learners, advance their clinical skills and competencies, address the challenges of healthcare delivery in the clinic, hospital, diagnostic, and surgical settings to enhance the quality of cardiovascular care, and improve patient outcomes by providing education to address gaps arising from the continually evolving practice standards, how to implement them, and the steps for performance change.

Educational Methods: Educational methods will include lectures, case presentations, and audience response.

Activity Evaluation: Participants may be asked to complete a session evaluation.

Accreditation/Credit Designation: This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of Baylor College of Medicine and The Texas Heart Institute. Baylor College of Medicine is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

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