



# Transforming Heart Failure into Heart Success

At Sanger Heart & Vascular Institute, we provide compassionate, unparalleled care to patients with heart failure, including those with very advanced disease and complications.

## WHAT SETS US APART?

We offer:

- a long history and continued commitment to innovation
- one of the region's only advanced heart failure programs
- a full spectrum of treatment options, including advanced medical therapies, mechanical circulatory support and cardiac transplant
- access to nationally and internationally recognized heart failure experts within a network of 20+ care locations in North and South Carolina
- an adult heart transplant program with consistently shorter hospital stays and better rates of survival (see back page)
- high-quality, patient-centered care guided by a multidisciplinary team of leading cardiologists, cardiac surgeons, nurses, nutritionists, social workers, physical therapists and pharmacists

## Sanger Heart & Vascular Institute Milestones

**1986** First transplant performed

**1989** First pediatric heart transplant

**1995** First LVAD implanted

**2010** Awarded a Disease Specific Certification to perform destination therapy

**2012** Launched award-winning Heart Success Program

**2013** Launched Virtual Heart Success Program

**2014** First total artificial heart implanted

Here, multidisciplinary care teams work closely with patients and referring physicians to focus on **what a patient can do** in the face of heart failure.

“We are applying the latest medical therapies, including transplantation and mechanical circulatory support, to help people with advanced heart failure achieve best-in-class outcomes – and it's local care, making it easier and less stressful for patients and their families.”

**Sanjeev Gulati, MD**

Medical Director of Heart Failure and Transplant Services

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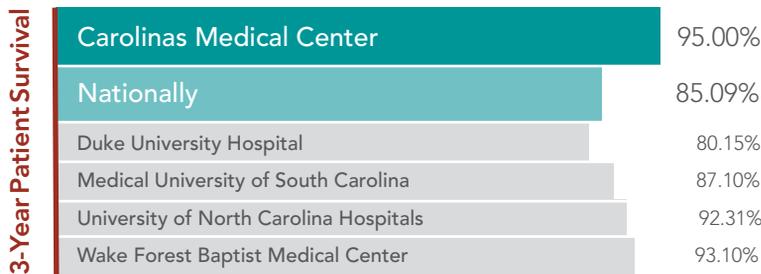
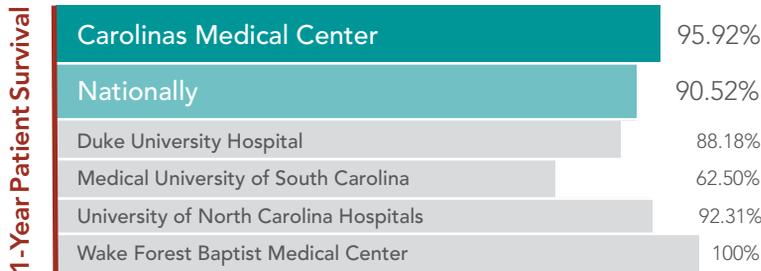


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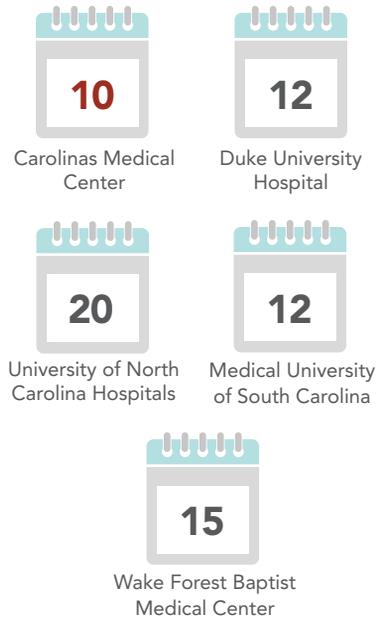
## WHERE YOUR PATIENT RECEIVES A HEART TRANSPLANT MATTERS.

New data shows patients with advanced heart failure who receive heart transplantation at Sanger Heart & Vascular Institute have **shorter lengths of stay** and **better one- and three-year survival rates** compared with similar programs in the region and nationally. There also tend to be shorter wait times for heart transplants.

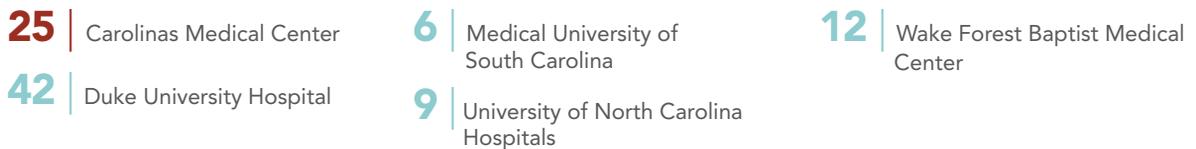
### HEART TRANSPLANT SURVIVAL RATES\*



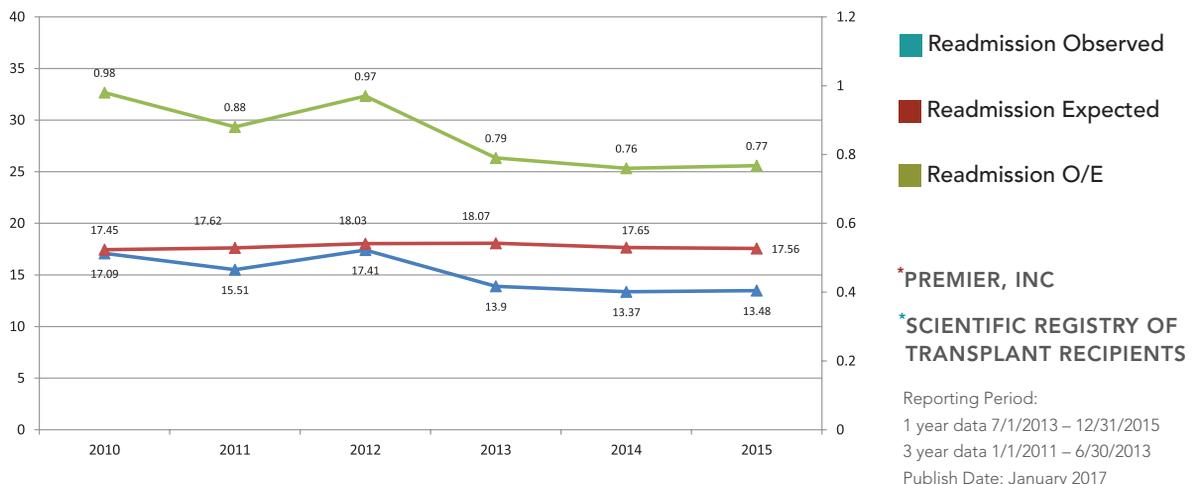
### LENGTH OF HOSPITAL STAY\*



### NUMBER OF HEART TRANSPLANTS\*



### HEART FAILURE 30-DAY ALL-CAUSE READMISSION RATES 2010-2015\*



To refer your patient or consult with a specialist, call 704-355-8816.



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