

CardioVascular Institute

Service Line Updates

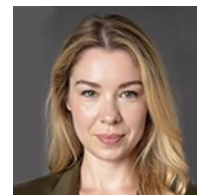
Expanded Capacity for Complex Coronary Care

BIDMC has expanded capacity in its Complex Coronary and Chronic Total Occlusion (CTO) Program, increasing access to timely consultation and advanced interventional care.

Dr. Kate Kearney joined BIDMC in July as the Director of the Cardiac Cath Lab and specializes in treating patients with advanced heart disease. She is a recognized international leader in complex coronary intervention and the National Principal Investigator on several coronary device clinical trials.



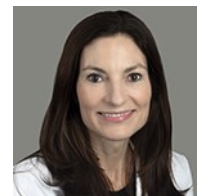
Dr. Lauren Balkan also recently joined the team and is the recipient of the 2026–2027 Society for Cardiovascular Angiography Women in Innovations Complex and High-Risk Interventional Procedures Fellowship.



For consults or referrals, please email
ctopci@bidmc.harvard.edu

Cardiac Amyloidosis Program Welcomes New Leadership

Dr. Jan Griffin recently joined the division as Director of the Cardiac Amyloidosis Program, which is expanding to meet growing patient needs. The program's multidisciplinary team provides comprehensive diagnostic, treatment, and care coordination for patients with suspected amyloidosis.



Advanced diagnostic testing is available as needed, including:

- Technetium pyrophosphate (PYP) scanning
- Cardiac MRI
- Endomyocardial biopsy
- Bone marrow biopsy

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AmyloidosisClinicReferral@bidmc.harvard.edu

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Vein Care in Quincy

Ryan Piotrowski, PA-C, is now seeing patients at the BILH Quincy Care Center for minimally invasive vein treatments and providing coordinated care with the full vascular surgery team.

- Varicose & spider veins management
- Chronic venous insufficiency
- Venous leg ulcers
- Limb preservation support

Schedule an appointment
617-632-9959

Heart Failure Summit

Join HMFP and BIDMC physicians and colleagues from Lahey Clinic for the 2nd annual Heart Failure Summit in Waltham, MA, on **January 29, 2027**. Explore comprehensive, multidisciplinary strategies for managing heart failure in this Harvard Medical School–accredited one-day summit.

Highlights include **keynote speaker James Fang, MD**, Chief of Cardiovascular Medicine, University of Utah School of Medicine, case-based sessions, interactive patient panels, and hands-on breakout sessions on:

- **Point-of-care ultrasound (POCUS)**
- **Invasive hemodynamics**



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Department of Dermatology

Service Line Updates

July – September, 2026

Patch Testing Program: Information for Referring Providers

Our dermatology department offers patch testing for patients with suspected allergic contact dermatitis. **We perform testing about every other week at our Needham location, 272 Chestnut Street, Needham, MA.**

It's most useful for patients with persistent, recurrent or unexplained dermatitis when an allergic contributor is suspected. Patch testing does not diagnose irritant contact dermatitis or eczema unrelated to an allergen, and it does not evaluate food allergies, seasonal or environmental allergies, or urticaria.

Each patient first consults with the patch testing provider to confirm the test is appropriate. That visit includes a detailed medical, social, occupational and hobby history and a back exam to plan patch placement.

Testing requires three 30-minute morning visits in the same week, and patients must be able to attend all three:

- Monday: Allergen patches are applied to the back and secured with tape.
- Wednesday: Patches are removed; test sites are marked with a skin-safe marker, and a preliminary reading is done.
- Friday (30-60 min appt): A final reading is done. The provider reviews clinically relevant allergens with the patient and gives avoidance counseling, written materials and access to an online resource.

Please continue sending patch testing referrals through Epic In Basket for scheduling.

For questions about the program, please contact Sara Tong, RN, DNP, MSN Nursing Ed., FNP-BC, Director of Clinical Operations, Dermatology, at satong@bidmc.harvard.edu. More information is [available on our Portal site](#).

Department of Emergency Medicine

Service Line Update

Newly Expanded Emergency Department Opens at BID Milton

Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital–Milton has officially opened its newly expanded Emergency Department, marking a major milestone for the HMFP Emergency Medicine Network. The expansion adds approximately 8,000 square feet and 19 additional beds, doubling the department's bed capacity.



The upgraded facility features a dedicated resuscitation room, new EMS entrance, decontamination room, enhanced clinical workspaces and new ultrasound equipment. This investment strengthens the hospital's ability to meet growing patient needs while providing an improved environment for patients, physicians and staff.



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Faculty Physicians
at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

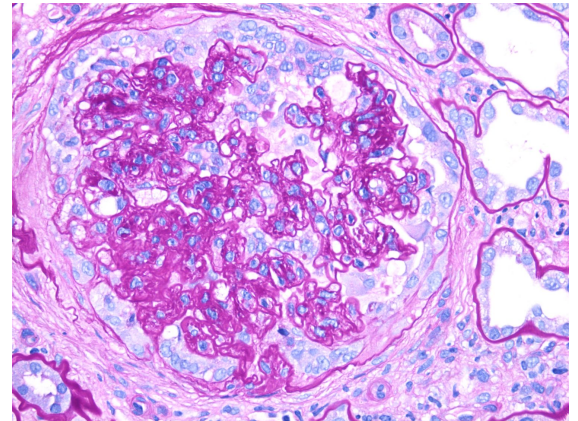
Beth Israel Lahey Health 
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

Department of Medicine

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Glomerular Disease Care in the Division of Nephrology

The **Division of Nephrology** is proud to offer care through our [Glomerular Disease Center](#), which specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of complex kidney conditions that affect the glomeruli, the tiny filters in the kidneys that remove waste and extra fluid from the blood.



Our team of kidney specialists, pathologists, rheumatologists, and researchers works together to provide expert, coordinated care for people with glomerular disease. **Bradley Denker, MD**, Clinical Chief of Nephrology, and **Stewart Lecker, MD**, Director of the Nephrology Fellowship Program, serve as co-leads of the center. A team-based approach and strong commitment to research help us better understand these rare kidney conditions and offer patients access to the latest treatments, clinical trials, and specialized expertise.



To learn more about our Glomerular Disease care, please visit their newly established webpage on bidmc.org by [clicking here](#) or scanning the QR code to the left. The Glomerular Disease Center currently has good patient access and is open to referrals. To do so, please call the main Nephrology call center at **617-632-9880** or please place an order in EPIC. We look forward to caring for your patients!

Department of Radiology

Service Line Updates

As of Oct. 2026

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Dana-Farber Beth Israel Deaconess Cancer Collaboration

- **Nuclear Medicine:** BIDMC-HMFP Radiology assumed responsibility for Nuclear Medicine professional interpretations at Dana-Farber beginning July 1.
- **Breast Imaging:** Consultative Breast Imaging services transitioned July 15, followed by professional interpretations of DFCI Breast Imaging on August 1.
- **Chest/Abdominal Imaging:** Chest and Abdominal professional interpretation responsibilities expanded beginning August 1, with Chest/Abdominal consultations transitioning to BIDMC-HMFP coverage.
- **Body Imaging and Neuroradiology:** On September 1, BIDMC-HMFP Radiology assumed responsibility for 100% of DFCI Body Imaging interpretations and Neuroradiology RC consultations.
- **October milestone:** By October 1, all imaging performed at DFCI was being interpreted by HMFP radiologists, including Nuclear Medicine, Breast Imaging, Chest/Abdominal Imaging, Neuro consultations, and Neuro and MSK reads. The professional imaging transitions were completed **more than two months ahead of the original implementation plan**.
- Three additional workstations were installed in the primary DFCI reading room, bringing capacity to **17 workstations**, with renovations underway to accommodate two additional stations for a planned total of 19.
- A new **photon-counting CT scanner** was nearing completion of installation and preparation in Rosenberg 3.
- Breast Imaging implemented software supporting **Contrast-Enhanced Mammography Stereotactic Biopsy**.

Department of Surgery

Service Line Updates

Endocrine Surgery at BILH Quincy Care Center

Lina Hu-Bianco

Endocrine Surgery



Now Offering Comprehensive Endocrine Care at Quincy

Clinical Interests:

- Evaluation of thyroid disease
- Evaluation of parathyroid disease
- Evaluation of adrenal disease
- Thyroid nodule biopsies

Scheduling: 617-632-1010

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Quincy, MA 02169

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