



Midwest Orthopaedics *at* Rush

Orthopaedic Treatment Beyond Common Orthopaedic Injuries and Diseases

By combining the unique skills and experience of the nation's top orthopaedic physicians, Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush offers unparalleled, comprehensive orthopaedic services. These comprehensive services extend well beyond treatment of common orthopaedic injuries and diseases, although we treat thousands of common cases every year.

In fact, Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush is a national leader in the subspecialty of orthopaedic oncology. Our physicians possess highly specialized training and cutting-edge technology. Through innovative procedures such as bone grafting and even bone transplantation, they are able to effectively treat different types of bone cancer including osteosarcoma, chondrosarcoma, and Ewings sarcoma.

Appointment Information

Physician _____

Date _____ Time _____

Office Location _____

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Chicago, IL 60607

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MRI—Suite M45

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Winfield, IL 60190

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Westchester, IL 60154

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Orthopaedic Oncology

Highly Specialized Orthopaedic Oncology Services

The orthopaedic oncology practice at Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush specializes in the treatment of patients with bone and soft tissue tumors. Specifically, our physicians are leaders in limb salvage, bone substitutes, and bone transplantation. They provide the most advanced surgical reconstructive techniques available, such as limb-sparing operations using human bone transplants.

These physicians are also pioneers in the use of bone substitutes and self-lengthening pediatric implants that can be lengthened as a child grows—without additional trips to the operating room. Orthopaedic Oncology Services include:

- Treatment of benign and malignant bone and soft tissue tumors
- Treatment for metastatic bone cancer
- Complex limb reconstruction
- Bone transplants
- Limb preservation and reconstruction (for bone and soft tissue cancer)
- Bone and joint transplantation
- Minimally invasive bone grafting



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Orthopaedic Oncology

Orthopaedic Trauma

Orthopaedic Oncology Physicians

The key to the success of our Orthopaedic Oncology practice is the training and experience of our physicians. At Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush, our specialists treat more bone cancer patients than any other practice in the region. This case experience, combined with extensive research, are the reasons why you can count on Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush physicians to utilize the most advanced surgical treatments available.

Comprehensive Orthopaedic Oncology Care

Both Dr. Gitelis and Dr. Virkus function as part of a team that includes radiation, and pediatric and adult oncologists. Orthopaedic Oncology treatment administered to referral patients is handled in cooperation with the referring physician. The specialty physicians at Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush are accustomed to working within referral relationships, working closely with the referring physician to improve patient outcomes.



Steven Gitelis, M.D.
Orthopaedic Oncology, Joint Reconstruction

A highly regarded expert in the area of limb reconstruction and orthopaedic oncology, Dr. Gitelis currently serves as the Director of the Rush Center for Limb Preservation. Dr. Gitelis has enjoyed a long-standing relationship with Rush, completing both his Orthopaedic Surgery Residency and General Surgery Internship at RUSH University Medical Center in Chicago, Illinois. His special research interests include limb salvage, growing prosthesis, and minimally invasive bone grafts.

Dr. Gitelis' numerous appointments also include Endowed Chair, RUSH Medical College Professor of Orthopaedic Oncology and Director, Section of Orthopaedic Oncology, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center. His early orthopaedic oncology experience came from fellowships at the prestigious Rizzoli Institute, Bologna, Italy (under renowned Professor Mario Campanacci), and Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota.



Walter Virkus, M.D.
Orthopaedic Oncology/Trauma

Originally from New Jersey, Dr. Virkus graduated cum laude from Muhlenberg College in Pennsylvania. After graduating from the New Jersey Medical School, he did his orthopaedic residency at the University of Maryland. He then completed orthopaedic trauma fellowships at the Shock Trauma Center in Baltimore, Maryland, and the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York City. This was followed by a fellowship in Orthopaedic Oncology at the University of Florida in Gainesville.

Dr. Virkus has a very unique practice specializing in both orthopaedic trauma and oncology. The majority of his practice is at Rush, but he also treats trauma and cancer patients at Cook County Hospital. His clinical interests are in complex limb preservation, pelvis and acetabulum surgery, and minimally invasive fracture surgery. He has authored multiple book chapters and research articles on both trauma and oncology.

About Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush

By combining the unique skills and experience of the nation's top orthopaedic doctors, Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush physicians offer unparalleled, comprehensive orthopaedic services. We treat thousands of orthopaedic patients every year with problems ranging from those considered common to the most complex conditions due to our national referral network.

Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush's reputation as a leader in specialized orthopaedic patient care, education, and research is validated by *U.S. News & World Report's* ranking of the orthopaedic program at RUSH University Medical Center as the #6 program in the nation and the top program in Illinois. Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush physicians also serve as team physicians for the **Chicago Bulls and the Chicago White Sox**. For additional information about our physicians, call **877 MD BONES** or visit us online at www.rushortho.com.