



5.0 ★★★★★

249 Ratings

## Al B. Benson III, MD

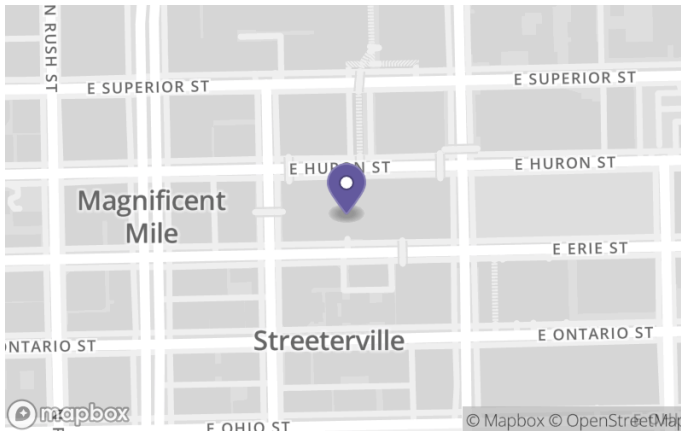
Northwestern Medical Group

Primary Specialty

**Medical Oncology**

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### Location



#### Robert H Lurie Cancer Center

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### Insurance Accepted

Insurance plans are subject to change. View insurance plans accepted at each hospital and by each NMHC physician group.

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### Practice Groups and Affiliations

**Medical Group** Northwestern Medical Group

**Alignment Category** Northwestern Medicine Physician Network

**On Medical Staff At** Northwestern Memorial Hospital

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## Education

Medical Education	MD, University at Buffalo Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences - 1976
Residency	University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics - 1979
Fellowship	University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics - 1984

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## Board Certifications

American Board of Internal Medicine - Internal Medicine (Certified)

American Board of Internal Medicine - Medical Oncology (Certified)

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## Practice Focus Areas

Anal Cancer	Gastroesophageal Junction Cancer
Colon Cancer	Genitourinary Cancers
Esophageal Cancer	Liver Cancer
Neuroendocrine Tumor	
Pancreas Cancer	

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## Ratings & Reviews

At Northwestern Medicine, our patient's feedback is important to us. While different care providers have their own unique strengths, we strive to be as transparent as possible with our quality of care. [Read more](#)

### Care Provider Ratings

#### Overall rating

5.0



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#### Reviews From Patients

147 Reviews

AUGUST 28 2022

**He was very good at keeping me informed of the test results which came back very quickly and surprised me. Sophia on his staff was especially good given my recent exposure to covid at keeping me informed as to what appointments I would be able to keep. I've made an excellent choice in northwestern medicine.**

AUGUST 27 2022

**Kind, compassionate, easy listener and helpful**

AUGUST 26 2022

**Answers my questions. Anticipates future issues**

AUGUST 24 2022

**Didn't have my blood work when I saw the doctor**

AUGUST 21 2022

**very patient and knowledgeable physician**

AUGUST 15 2022

**Easy to talk to**

AUGUST 14 2022

**Dr. Benson simply has the BEST bedside manner I've experienced in a very long time.**

AUGUST 10 2022

**Dr. Benson is an outstanding physician and wonderful person. I am very blessed to have him as my doctor! I have great trust in his decisions.**

AUGUST 10 2022

**Wonderful doctor. You have the feeling that he really cares about you.**

AUGUST 8 2022

**I had an in-person visit with Dr. Benson in 2019 and was impressed with his "bedside" manner. Also, he is a specialist in the kind of cancer that I have.**

JULY 27 2022

**He is excellent.**

JULY 27 2022

**He is very informative and patient**

JULY 9 2022

**It does not get better!**

JUNE 8 2022

**He's so smart and so patient. He really takes time to explain EVERYTHING and no question is a stupid one for Dr. Benson!!**

MAY 16 2022

**He takes enough time to listen to patients and he has very good experience and advice. He makes me feel like I am already free of cancer. He is very encouraging**

MAY 12 2022

**he is up to date very informative and gives plenty of time to the visit**

APRIL 30 2022

**He's very thorough with me he answered all of the questions that I wanted to ask him he wears about my pain and wants to make sure that I'm comfortable I appreciate that**

APRIL 29 2022

**Very professional. Explains in detail and helpful answering questions.**

APRIL 27 2022

**Dr. Benson is direct to the point and explained everything about my health.**

APRIL 26 2022

**He is very patient and answers our questions. He is very knowledgeable.**

APRIL 22 2022

**Dr. Benson is a wonderful doctor he explained everything about your health.**

APRIL 16 2022

**He is FABULOUS! He is knowledgeable, caring and always listens to his patients.**

APRIL 15 2022

**Dr. Benson has come up with treatments that have really helped me.**

APRIL 7 2022

**Dr. Benson is very approachable, knowledgeable, responsive, and generous with his time.**

APRIL 4 2022

**Medically competent w/ strong patient management skills, including effective communication and follow through following visits and requests for assistance.**

APRIL 1 2022

**He listened and was very good at explaining the procedures**

MARCH 31 2022

**Es el mejor doctor que eh conocido. Su experiencia y su atención que presta al paciente es excepcional. El y todo su equipo son maravillosos.**

MARCH 24 2022

**Kind, patient, knowledgeable, supportive**

MARCH 24 2022

**Very thorough, kind and knowledgeable.**

MARCH 12 2022

**Very good at what he does. He listens. Vey patient.**

MARCH 11 2022

## **Knowledgeable and responsive**

MARCH 9 2022

**excellent m.d.**

MARCH 9 2022

**Very competent and experienced physician with good bedside manner. I never feel rushed and he asks more broadly about my health and well being and not just cancer.**

FEBRUARY 12 2022

**Dr. Benson has been my oncologist for many years. He is an expert in his specialty, kind, thorough, and listens.**

FEBRUARY 7 2022

**Kind, compassionate, knowledgeable and fabulous!!**

FEBRUARY 6 2022

**Dr. Benson explains everything to you. You never feel like you are asking him a silly question and you never feel like he is rushing you. He always treats you like a friend rather than a patient.**

FEBRUARY 1 2022

**He is personable**

JANUARY 29 2022

**Very thorough and lots of experience.**

DECEMBER 18 2021

**Dr Benson provides a strong sense of interest, compassion, and care in his practice.**

DECEMBER 11 2021

**Dr Benson and Kevin Krise are expert in my form of cancer and spend the time explaining scan results and treatment options in an unrushed manner.**

DECEMBER 8 2021

**He is knowledgeable, compassionate and a good communicator**

NOVEMBER 9 2021

**Dr. Benson answered all of my questions**

NOVEMBER 9 2021

**Him and his team is caring compassionate and very professional**

NOVEMBER 9 2021

**He's an expert in my cancer and he's giving me excellent care. I trust him with my health.**

NOVEMBER 6 2021

**Kind, thorough, professional, amazing listener and so blessed to have him as my doctor.**

OCTOBER 11 2021

**I was told he is the most experienced with the cancer I have.**

OCTOBER 10 2021

**does a good job at caring for his patients**

OCTOBER 6 2021

**Very thorough and he cares**

OCTOBER 2 2021

**He is very good at explaining everything about my health**

SEPTEMBER 28 2021

**He answered all my questions and had a plan of care before I left.**

SEPTEMBER 23 2021

**He appears to be very well trained, compassionate and caring.**

SEPTEMBER 23 2021

**Well I do t have cancer anymore so he's doing a good ??**

SEPTEMBER 7 2021

**Dr Benson gave me lots of hope in dealing with pancreatic cancer**

SEPTEMBER 6 2021

**Great questions and answers to difficult issues.**

SEPTEMBER 3 2021

**I love Dr Benson. Gentle, caring, knowledgeable. What more could you ask for?**

AUGUST 29 2021

**Thorough, compassionate and responsive.**

AUGUST 27 2021

**On time and professional**

AUGUST 25 2021

**As researcher and physician he could not be better**

AUGUST 23 2021

**Knowledgeable and highly recommended. Took time to listen to me and address all concerns.**

AUGUST 22 2021

**He is knowledgeable and professional. He is giving me the treatment I need to survive and live life to its fullest.**

AUGUST 21 2021

**Great person, professionally and as a human being... Listens, does not rush, speaks calmly and gently, and goes way beyond duty!**

AUGUST 11 2021

**He is knowledgeable and listens to his patients**

JULY 30 2021

**Very knowledgeable, friendly and caring.**

JULY 17 2021

**Dr. Benson is very kind and helpful!**

JULY 16 2021

**Very sympathetic physician . Competent,**

JULY 15 2021

**He's great, knowing, but wish he had appointments in the morning which would work better with my work schedule.**

JULY 14 2021

**Very proficient and knowledgeable. A very calm, thorough and reassuring doctor. He is the best.**

JULY 14 2021

**Very knowledgeable and helpful Works to solve your problems.**

JULY 9 2021

**Knowledgeable and good bedside manner.**

JULY 9 2021

**Dr. Benson is a genius!!**

JULY 8 2021

**Takes time with patient and answers all questions.**

JUNE 25 2021

**Dr. Benson is prepared patient, thorough and caring.**

MAY 26 2021

**Dr Benson is a wonderful oncologist.**

MAY 22 2021

**knowledgable thorough open to patient preferences**

MAY 21 2021

**Very smart guy**

MAY 20 2021

**Best in the field.**

MAY 9 2021

**Most highly intelligent Oncologist and I respect his perspective on my illness.**

MAY 5 2021

**Professional**

APRIL 27 2021

**Doctor explained everything well and made me feel comfortable under his care. He made sure I understood and was not nervous during my visit.**

APRIL 16 2021

**Dr. Benson instilled trust and confidence. I feel like I am in the best place possible with him.**

APRIL 13 2021

**Took time to listen to us and explain various options of treatment**

APRIL 12 2021

**I fully trust Dr Benson.**

APRIL 9 2021

**I believe hes very knowledgeable and has a calming presence**

APRIL 9 2021

**He is amazing. Kevin his PA is simply the best.**

APRIL 9 2021

**Dr Benson is fantastic, I highly recommend him.**

APRIL 7 2021

**Dr. Benson care about your health & take his time talking to you about your health.**

MARCH 15 2021

**Al Benson was recommended to me by Dr Matt Kulke at Dana Farber. He and Bridget OBrien kept me alive on a 2 1/2 year prognosis carcinoid cancer diagnosis now close to 15 years.**

MARCH 14 2021

**Dr Benson is the BEST! Kind, caring, informative and knowledgeable!**

MARCH 3 2021

**Dr. Benson is very professional, intelligent, informative and helpful. He took his time and explained everything very well. I left feeling as though I will be in very good hands in trusting my health with Dr. Benson.**

FEBRUARY 27 2021

**Very easy to talk to**



FEBRUARY 27 2021

**Dr. Benson has helped me twice with my cancers. He and my Oncologist at Lutheran Gen'I Hospital agreed on the same course of treatment. I have contacted him for the second time regarding my cancers which have come back. He is very thorough and I will call him next week (at his suggestion).**

FEBRUARY 24 2021

**Caring professional recognized as expert for my rare cancer. I feel blessed that I live close to such quality care.**

FEBRUARY 22 2021

**Knowledgeable, compassionate and caring. The best.**

FEBRUARY 12 2021

**I have been a patient of Dr Benson for many years. He is an expert in his field and a caring person.**

FEBRUARY 10 2021

**Good doctor who knows the subject matter in depth and patiently willing to answer questions**

FEBRUARY 5 2021

**He is a kind, intelligent person who I have grown to trust.**

FEBRUARY 3 2021

**The doctor is very patient and thorough in explaining things. Makes you feel at ease.**

FEBRUARY 2 2021

**He is kind, caring and thorough. Very knowledgeable about my form of cancer (carcinoid).**

JANUARY 24 2021

**Seemed interested in my case, took his time and listened when I answered his questions!**

JANUARY 22 2021

**Dr. Benson always provides a thorough review of my test and scan results. He answers all of my questions to further my understanding. Dr. Benson takes the time necessary to instill confidence in the surveillance that he and his fellows are providing to me.**

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## **Faculty Profile**

<http://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/faculty-profiles/az/profile.html?xid=10075>