



4.9 ★★★★★

122 Ratings

## David J. Bentrem, MD

Northwestern Medical Group

Primary Specialty

**Hepatopancreatobiliary Surgery**

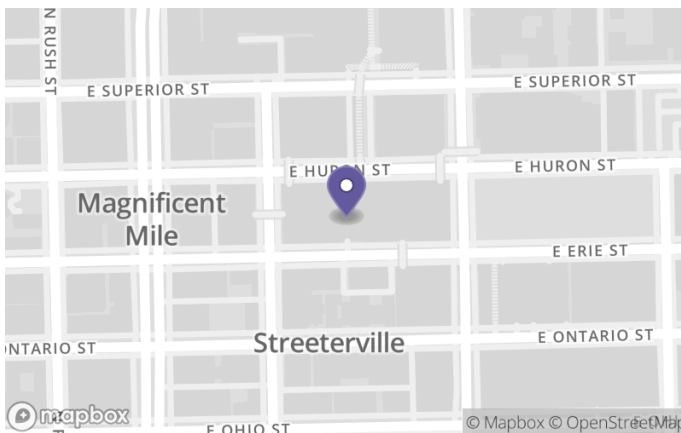
Secondary Specialties

**Gastrointestinal Cancer**

● Accepts New Patients

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### Location



#### Robert H Lurie Cancer Center

675 N St Clair St Ste 21-100  
Galter Pavilion  
Chicago, IL 60611  
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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

**Physician Category** Northwestern Medicine Physician Network

**On Medical Staff At** Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital  
Northwestern Memorial Hospital

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## Education

**Medical Education** MD, University of Virginia School of Medicine - 1996

**Residency** McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University - 2003

**Fellowship** Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center - 2005

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## Board Certifications

American Board of Surgery - Surgery (Certified)

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## Practice Focus Areas

Bile Duct Cancer	Hepatobiliary Surgery
Esophageal Cancer	Liver Cancer
Gallbladder Cancer	Neuroendocrine Tumor
Pancreas Cancer	
Stomach 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

4.9



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### Reviews From Patients

66 Reviews

MARCH 31 2022

**Explained everything so I understood it**

MARCH 30 2022

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**Establishes a great rapport with his patient, likeable personality.**

FEBRUARY 23 2022

**Caring and professional**

FEBRUARY 4 2022

**I feel so comfortable with Dr. Bentrem, I would recommend him to anyone looking for a Doctor that truly cares about his patients.**

JANUARY 16 2022

**He was referred by Dr. Nimagadda (sp), who I have confidence in, and Dr. Bentrem seems most competent. He was pleasant to talk to, also.**

JANUARY 6 2022

**Knows his field really well and cares and takes time with patients.**

JANUARY 5 2022

**Friendly, thorough and calming.**

DECEMBER 26 2021

**Great with information**

DECEMBER 3 2021

**He was a very nice and easy to talk with. He answered most of question clearly.**

DECEMBER 1 2021

**Confident, caring, logical and clear communicator to assure understanding of medically technical areas of inquiry. Answered all questions and concerns thoroughly, communicated next steps clearly.**

NOVEMBER 17 2021

**Staff is amazing**

NOVEMBER 13 2021

**He was very open to discuss his opinion based on the images he saw. I felt at ease in talking to him.**

OCTOBER 27 2021

**I felt comfortable talking with him about my situation**

OCTOBER 27 2021

**Has very strong expertise and inspires confidence.**

OCTOBER 6 2021

**Expertise. Patient care. Good communication skills.**

OCTOBER 6 2021

**He's the best**

SEPTEMBER 29 2021

**Felt at ease and listened to**

SEPTEMBER 23 2021

**Very Comfortable with Him and His Team!!!**

SEPTEMBER 10 2021

**He explained everything well and answered all my questions and concerns.**

SEPTEMBER 6 2021

**La manera que lo tratan a uno**

AUGUST 25 2021

**Very easy to talk to and he is very descriptive when explaining things**

JULY 21 2021

**Dr Bentrem is an honest, caring, and compassionate provider along with his staff. They provide excellent care for me at all times. Thank you for making me feel confident and comfortable.**

JULY 14 2021

**Liked him right away. Did not push for a surgery.**

JULY 11 2021

**Did what he said needed to be done**

JUNE 19 2021

**He is very patient and explains things in layman's terms.**

JUNE 9 2021

**He seems to be very focused and explained things well.**

JUNE 2 2021

**Very reassuring Dr for a serious problem**

MAY 20 2021

**Seems very competent. Very thorough.**

MAY 12 2021

**To the point, informed, friendly**

MAY 5 2021

**I feel like he had my best interest in mind. He was considerate and professional**

APRIL 30 2021

**I have only spoken to the Dr on the his nurse a few times. They were very pleasant but I do not think I am in a position to comment on their services just yet.**

APRIL 29 2021

APRIL 23 2021

**He has been extremely cautious about the approaching surgery for my spouse.**

APRIL 11 2021

**Dr. Bentrem is great!**

MARCH 18 2021

**One of the finest people and surgeons I have dealt with**

MARCH 10 2021

**Hes amazing!**

MARCH 7 2021

**Very personable and great communication, so far.**

MARCH 7 2021

**Knowledgeable and I do trust them I graduated from northwestern university with Ph.D degree in soil mechanics and foundation engineering, and proud to be part of this great institution**

FEBRUARY 28 2021

**I felt he cared about me. I had many questions, and he answered my questions diligently.**

FEBRUARY 11 2021

**Polite , thorough, understanding, seems like he has great experience and walked us through the cancer process**

JANUARY 20 2021

**I felt safe with him. He was honest caring and supportive**

DECEMBER 24 2020

**Collaborative, after providing necessary info for decision-making. Great sense of humor. Although he has a hammer, not everything looks like a nail!**

NOVEMBER 17 2020

**His expertise and friendly but very informative dialog about options and procedures available for my condition.**

NOVEMBER 15 2020

**I will have to wait until after I have had surgery to complete this rating, but his pre-op meeting and approach seemed excellent.**

NOVEMBER 15 2020

**Aggressive and seemingly competent approach.**

NOVEMBER 4 2020

**Not sure how I feel about him. Seems competent and confident, but has to work to listen. Typical surgeon.**

NOVEMBER 4 2020

**Very professional. But this was my first visit and eventually five people were in the exam room at once. A bit intimidating considering I'm facing a serious situation.**

OCTOBER 11 2020

**He was so knowledgeable and conscientious. He went beyond his specialty and showed much concern for my next step by ordering a port for me. I am blessed.**

OCTOBER 11 2020

**I have been overwhelmed with the quality of care and compassion every provider has had. Dr. Ventral, although a surgeon and me not being a candidate for surgery, was so proactive in ordering I get a port installed to expedite my chemo therapy. Every doctor is thinking out of the box and taking the initiative to go the next one or two steps needed in my care. I and my wife are so completely amazed with this kind of thoughtfulness to take care of me. This has gone way beyond my expectations. Thank you all so very much.**

OCTOBER 5 2020

**He seems caring and trustworthy.**

OCTOBER 1 2020

**I felt like I was in good hands my talking to him I felt better leaving**

SEPTEMBER 16 2020

**Compassionate and thorough.**

SEPTEMBER 16 2020

**Well explained the consultation and felt very caring Dr**

SEPTEMBER 9 2020

**Good Communicator and understood what I was trying accomplish for my care**

SEPTEMBER 9 2020

**No wait-Care providers willing listen and communicate Answered questions**

SEPTEMBER 2 2020

**He explains the details**

SEPTEMBER 2 2020

**The only group I trust**

SEPTEMBER 2 2020

**Very knowledgeable and took the time to answer any questions or concerns we had. The resident and nurse were also very attentive and friendly. I was very pleased with the staff!**

SEPTEMBER 1 2020

**Dr David Bentrem has been highly referred to me by Dr Robert Nadler in Urology..Dr Robert Nadler is also an incredible and highly skilled surgeon who had performed about 5 surgeries on me last year to**

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**remove a very large kidney stone from my left kidney..Dr David Bentrem is now treating me for abdominal cancer and he has been brilliant and highly skilled and professional..Dr David Bentrem is now preparing me for the Whipple surgical procedure..I have been very impressed with Dr Bentrem**

AUGUST 30 2020

**Excellent Doctor to the point**

JULY 26 2020

**He is very kind and explained everything so well and took his time to answer all of our questions. Made us feel comfortable and that we are in safe hands. Very positive. Thank you.**

JULY 18 2020

**Very caring surgeon, told me in detail what he planned to do in my surgery. His confidence in this surgery made me completely trusting to have this surgery. I cannot find the words to thank a man I never met until my surgery.... thank you for saving my life. He will be forever in my prayers. Bless you Dr. Bentrem.**

JULY 15 2020

**Dr. Bentrem is extremely knowledgeable and a good communicator.**

JULY 1 2020

**Seems to be a very good Doctor**

JUNE 23 2020

**I felt our conversations were very helpful, caring and insightful.**

JUNE 23 2020

**Excellent care, communication, practice and recommendations.**

JUNE 11 2020

**Very thorough in the surgical procedure/operation he is going to perform on me. His confidence put me at ease which made me feel good.**

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## **Faculty Profile**

<http://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/faculty-profiles/az/profile.html?xid=14390>