

Our Cardiovascular Valve Program is here for you.

To make the referral process as easy and smooth as possible, we have designated a key point of contact to help guide you and your patients through our evaluation process:

- Obtains clinical history, copies of digital images, and blood work
- Walks patients through the evaluation process:
 - Patient meets with our Valve Clinic Team (2 of 4 implanting team physicians and nursing staff)
 - Patient will then be scheduled for further evaluation including possible CTA, heart catheterization, PFTs, carotid ultrasound, and other tests as needed
 - Patient's test results and case information are presented to the multi-disciplinary TAVR Physician panel
 - Referring physician will be faxed the findings and treatment recommendation
- Assists in gathering documentation insurance authorization

Our MitraClip Program

Physicians at John Muir Health were among the first in Northern California to offer patients suffering from mitral regurgitation (MR), a breakthrough new minimally invasive treatment option, transcatheter mitral valve repair, or MitraClip. MR is common, affecting more than 4 million Americans – nearly one in 10 people aged 75 and above. Approved for U.S. patients with severe symptomatic degenerative MR who are at prohibitive risk for open heart surgery, MitraClip offers a life-enhancing treatment.

Our TAVR Program

John Muir Health is one of select hospitals accepting referrals of qualified patients for transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR), an alternative to traditional surgical valve replacement to treat aortic stenosis. This minimally invasive procedure is an option for patients who are at high risk for open-chest surgery, in particular if they present with co-morbidities that may compromise potential benefits from traditional surgical treatment.



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