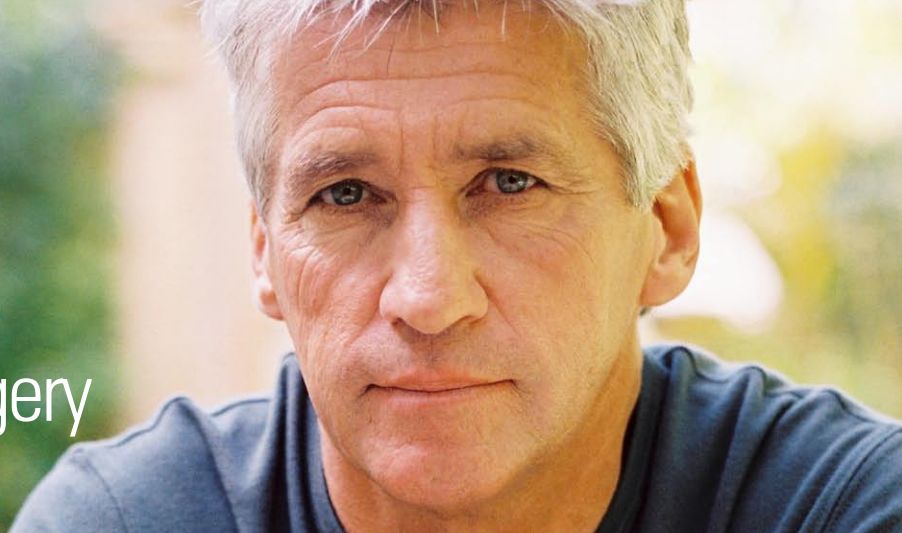


Taking the **OPEN** out of open heart surgery

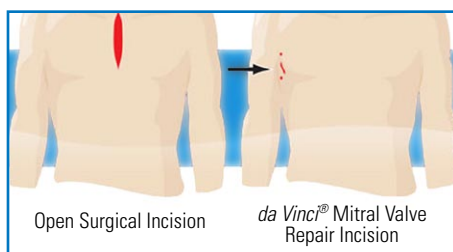


Baptist Health Care **Minimally Invasive Heart Surgery - Fact Sheet**

Patients needing heart surgery can now experience the benefits of minimally invasive surgery.

For patients, this means:

- reduced pain
- less blood loss
- faster recovery time
- no long chest scar



Like all minimally invasive procedures, *da Vinci* eliminates the need for a large incision by allowing surgeons to perform the operation with tiny instruments inserted through a few button-size cuts.

Facing heart surgery and its long recovery can be a frightening experience.

Traditional heart surgery often requires a large incision, splitting of the breastbone and spreading the ribs. Fortunately, Baptist offers minimally invasive *da Vinci*® heart surgery so patients can benefit from the most effective, least invasive treatment for even the most complex heart surgeries such as mitral valve repair.

Complimenting minimal scarring, *da Vinci* heart surgery reduces the traditional lengthy recovery time associated with open heart surgery, enabling patients to return to normal daily activities quicker with an improved quality of life.

If you've been considering treatment options for heart disease, talk to your doctor about minimally invasive *da Vinci* heart surgery.

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