Pancreatic cancer is a disease in which the malignant cells are found in the tissues of the pancreas, the organ responsible for producing enzymes that break down fats and proteins as well as producing insulin for the body. Pancreatic tumors are generally classified into two types: endocrine and exocrine. In 2009, an estimated 42,000 Americans will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

For more information, visit the National Cancer Institute's page on pancreatic cancer: http://www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/types/pancreatic

Treatment at the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center

The UAB Comprehensive Cancer is recognized nationwide as a leader in the fields of pancreatic cancer treatment and research. Pancreatic cancer patients at the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center are seen in the center's Multidisciplinary Gastrointestinal Oncology Clinic, located on the fourth floor of The Kirklin Clinic. The clinic treats all types of GI cancers, including esophageal cancer, stomach cancer, liver cancer, pancreatic cancer, bile duct cancer, colon cancer and rectal cancer, as well as soft-tissue sarcomas and endocrine diseases (thyroid, parathyroid, pancreas and adrenal).

The clinic's multidisciplinary approach to treatment provides access to a team of dedicated specialists, including medical oncologists, radiation oncologists, surgical oncologists and radiologists, who work together to design the most effective treatment plan possible.

About the Multidisciplinary Gastrointestinal Oncology Clinic

Make an appointment

The experience

Our team of pancreatic cancer experts

Multidisciplinary Gastrointestinal Oncology Clinic:

The Kirklin Clinic 4th Floor

2000 6th Avenue South

Birmingham, AL 35233

Pancreatic Cancer Research at the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center

The UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center is a nationally recognized leader in the field of pancreatic cancer research. The center is one of only four institutions in the nation to hold a

SPORE (Specialized Program of Research Excellence) grant in pancreatic cancer. These highly prestigious grants are designed to move research findings quickly and safely from the laboratory to the clinical setting.

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To Become a Patient

UAB HealthFinder can connect you to the service you need. You can access HealthFinder by calling **(205) 934-9999** or toll-free **1-800-UAB-8816** or you can **make your appointment online** .