Fortis Healthcare Limited is an integrated healthcare delivery service provider in India. The healthcare verticals of the company primarily comprise of hospitals, diagnostic, and day care specialties. Currently, the company operates its healthcare delivery services in India, Singapore, Dubai, Mauritius and Sri Lanka with 63 healthcare facilities (including projects under development), over 11,000 potential beds, 240 diagnostic centres and a team strength of more than 17,000 people.

Fortis Escorts has set benchmarks in providing clinical excellence with its path-breaking work over the past 26 years. The hospital is backed by the most advanced laboratories performing a complete range of investigative tests. The 310 - bedded hospital with 12 state-of-the-art Operation Theatres has an extensive framework of specialized medical programmes focused on providing clinical excellence integrated with cutting-edge technologies and innovations to offer world-class treatment.

The Liver & Digestive Diseases Institute provides comprehensive high-end care for a wide spectrum of gastrointestinal, pancreatic, and liver disorders through a highly qualified, experienced team of specialists supported by state-of-the-art technology. The Institute prides itself in providing compassionate care in a soothing ambience with a high premium on patient satisfaction.

Dr. Ajay Kumar

Dr. Ajay Kumar, MBBS, MD, DA, MAMS, FRCP (Glasgow), is the Chief & Executive Director of Fortis Escorts Liver & Digestive Diseases Institute. He is a gastroenterologist of international repute. He is an experienced clinician, skilled endoscopist and educator. Dr. Kumar has special interests in Gastroesophageal Disease, Liver Cirrhosis, and advanced Therapeutic Endoscopy. He is a past President of the Society of Gastroenterology of India (SGI). Dr. Kumar is a recipient of the R.C. Roy award and has delivered many orations. He has published many research papers in indexed journals and book chapters. After his initial training at PGIMER Chandigarh, GB Pant Hospital, Delhi, he has developed the departments at AIIMS Delhi, Indraprastha Apollo Hospital, and now, he has taken up the leadership role to develop this Institute of national importance.

Dr. Vivek Vij

Dr. Vivek Vij is the Director of Liver Transplant and GI Surgery of Fortis Escorts Liver & Digestive Diseases Institute. Dr. Vij is a pioneering liver transplant surgeon credited with developing living donor surgery and standardizing utility protocols to achieve a 100% donor safety profile since the time of its inception in the country. He is the first surgeon from the Indian subcontinent to publish a series on laparoscopic donor hepatectomy in “Liver Transplantation”. He is the founder of Liver Transplant and Hepatobiliary Surgery at Fortis group of hospitals, starting a highly successful liver transplant programme initially at the Noida centre and then at Mumbai, Delhi and his team has a cumulative experience of performing more than 2000 liver transplants, having performed majority of them at Fortis Hospital, Noida with a success rate of patient and 100% donor success rate. Dr. Vij has been credited as the largest Single center Liver transplants. He is recipient of the prestigious Roche excellence award in surgery. He is the current president of the International Liver Transplant Society (ILTS) meeting, 2015 in Chicago. He is the only candidate from india to be selected in 2003 for the prestigious Roche fellowship training program in University of Alabama, Birmingham, USA.
Dr. Manav Wadhawan

Dr. Manav Wadhawan, MBBS, MD (Internal Medicine), DM (Gastroenterology), is a Senior Consultant and Coordinator, Endoscopic Ultrasound (EUS) & Gastro Endoscopy at Fortis Escorts Liver & Digestive Diseases Institute. He has previously practiced at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Delhi. Dr. Wadhawan has received several awards, notable being Young Investigator Award by the International Liver Transplantation Society (ILTS), Pharmacy Oral Presentation Award by the Indian Society of Gastroenterology, Pharmacy Oral Presentation Award by the The Asia Pacific Society for Study of Liver (APASL), Pharmacy Oral Presentation Award by the International Association of Study of the Liver (IASL), The clinical research in the fields of transplant Hepatology and complicated EROS. He has been a pioneer in the evolution of ERCP free regions in HIV related liver transplant. He has also has to his credit numerous high impact publications on post transplant EROS. He has innovated multiple techniques to manage difficult biliary stenoses in his setting. He has more than 30 publications in indexed journals, including 6 book chapters.

Dr. Vikram Bhatia

Dr. Vikram Bhatia, MBBS, MD (Internal Medicine), DM (Gastroenterology), is a Senior Consultant and Coordinator, Endoscopic Ultrasound (EUS) & Gastro Endoscopy at Fortis Escorts Liver & Digestive Diseases Institute. He has previously practiced at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and institute of liver and Biliary Sciences (ILBS). New Delhi. Dr. Bhatia is a renowned doctor in the field of Endoscopic Ultrasound (EUS) and Gastrointestinal Cancer. Dr. Bhatia has been the recipient of several awards. He has trained extensively in centres of excellence in different parts of the world. Including the Asia Cancer Center Hospital (ACCH), Nagoya, Japan, under Dr. Kaji Yamao, in the years 2003, 2009, and 2011, at the Gentofte Hospital, Denmark under Dr. Peter Vilmann, in 2007, and at the Osaka University Hospital, Japan in 2004. He has over 114 publications to his credit, including 89 papers in indexed journals, and 10 book chapters.

MEDICAL PROGRAMME

The Gastroenterology and Hepatobiliary Sciences Programme is driven by reputed doctors, super specialists and specialty nurses, all committed to integrating their exceptional medical expertise, technology and innovation to offer best in class treatment.

Specialties

- Diagnostic EUS Endoscopy and Colonoscopy including Narrow-band Imaging
- Targeted Biopsies and Rapid Disease Test for Helicobacter Pylori
- UPPER and LOWER G1 Therapeutic Endoscopy
- Endoscopic removal of polyps
- Control of bleeding with
  - Intra-procedure Injection-Sclerotherapy
  - Band Ligations
  - Hemoclips
  - APC

- Colonic Resection Spray
- Perniciosus Intestino Gastroenteritis (PISG)
- CO2RE Decompression
- Endoscopic Retrailgade Cholangiography Pancreatoendoscopy (ERC/P) for biliary Diseases
- Biliary Sphincterotomy
- Removal of bile duct stones
- Removal of biliary Hydros
- Drainage of obstructiend biliary system with plastic/biomedical stents
- Endoscopic management of bile duct injuries
- Pancreatic Diseases
- Pancreatic Sphincterotomy
**ACUTE LIVER FAILURE UNIT**
- Dedicated ICU for ACLF patients
- State-of-the-art care tailored to ACLF & its complications
- Artificial Liver Support

**SUPPORT SERVICES**
- Dietetics & Nutrition
- Preventive Health
- Physiotherapy
- Psychology Counseling Support
- Intensive Care Support
- Rehabilitation
- Home Care
- Transplant Medicine
- Palliative Care
- End of Life Care

**SURGICAL PROGRAMME**
- GI Surgery
  - Upper and Lower Gastrointestinal surgery for oesophageal, stomach, and colon cancer or other benign conditions
  - Minimally Access & Advanced laparoscopic surgery for biliary stones, esophageal and colon diseases, hernia, bariatric
- LAP Surgery (Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery)
- Liver Transplant
  - Liver, Biliary and Pancreatic Surgery for cancers and benign diseases
- Liver Transplant – Operative & Non-operative Management

**INTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY**
- Biliary drainage
- Bleeding control
- Liver cancer – tumor ablation etc.

**SPECIALTY CLINICS**
- Liver

**TECHNOLOGY**
This institute has a complete spectrum of diagnostic and therapeutic equipment, including several state-of-the-art technologies, such as:
- Upper Gastrointestinal Endoscopy - Olympus, 190 series with Narrow Band Imaging (NBI) and Magnification Endoscopy and NBI
- Colonoscopes - Adult and Paediatrics, Olympus H.1毫无, with NBI facility
- Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiopancreatoscopy (ERCP) - Olympus 190 series
- Echo-endoscopes, Radial and Linear, EUS, Radial probes, Miniprobe with 2000 processor
- EUS
- Argon Plasma Coagulation (APC) with BAE (Vio 3000)
- Capsule endoscopy
- High-resolution Manometry for motility and pressure studies of Upper & Lower GI tract. Manometric Manometry is used for assessing constipation. High-resolution Manometry using HRM (Gastrointestinal Measurement System) helps in advance study of gut motility.
- 24-hour probe helps in study of reflux.
- Endoscopy: dissection and cleaning equipment to ensure safe and clean endoscopy.
- State-of-the-art image quality and fluoroscopic equipment for performing complex therapeutic procedures, in partnership with interventional radiology.
- USG (Ultrasound) - State-of-the-art USG for abdominal, breast, vaginal, vascular, musculo-skeletal and soft tissue imaging equipped with colour Doppler facility.
- Fibroscan/Elastography - It’s a safe, simple and non-invasive method for assessing liver health. The equipment uses the most advanced technology of Fibroscan elastostat quantification that aids in an intelligent solution to clinical diagnosis. This unique, accurate and efficient device brings extra clinical edge to patient management.
- Breath Test - Readiness of the intestine causing impaired digestion can now be diagnosed by measuring ‘breath’ in the breath generated by undigested food. This unique pointless facility helps diagnose disorders of digestion and absorption.
- Urea Breath Tests for H. pylori (without endoscopy)