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### Neurosurgery

We're experiencing much change in healthcare today. Big government seems to have more control, insurance companies charging more for premiums, and healthcare companies are turning doctors into employees.

Like a chef who owns and runs a restaurant, physicians and surgeons are best suited for structuring hospital-based healthcare for their patients since they have vast experience in caring for patients and can anticipate their needs.

Since assuming the position of chairman of the governing board and chairman of the board managers at Forest Park Frisco, Dr. Jeffrey Cattorini has experienced tremendous satisfaction in being a part of a physician-run healthcare organization as opposed to the conglomerate healthcare business and government. New technologies, innovations, instrumentation, and medicines can be implemented more readily for patients to improve care. As quickly as technology changes on your cell phone, so does equipment in the operating room.

As a prime example, at Forest Park Frisco, Dr. Cattorini is developing a minimally invasive brain program to take brain surgery to a whole new minimally invasive level. Through smaller fiber optic microscopes, improved lens visibility, and micro-instrumentation, he is better able to remove skull and brain tumors with this latest technology. These medical developments allow smaller incisions, quicker healing times, and a better visualization for removal of tumors and preserving normal tissue.

"No longer chained to emergency room call rosters, I am better able to serve my patients on a daily basis through same-day appointments in my clinic for work-up of these brain tumors," Dr. Cattorini says.

"I also treat patients based on their clinical symptoms as well as their physical exam—not X-Ray, CT, or MRI findings alone," he says. "The whole person is evaluated when considering a patient for surgery, and then a treatment plan is formulated that encompasses the goals of the surgery and a return to a functional work environment and active lifestyle."

Dr. Cattorini has led an active neurosurgical practice in Plano for more than 15 years and specializes in all aspects of neurosurgery, including spinal surgery and instrumentation (both open and minimally invasive), cranial surgery, vascular and aneurysm surgery, peripheral nerve surgery, stereotactic radiosurgery, and frameless stereotactic surgery.

#### EDUCATION

B.S., Duke University; M.S., Columbia University;  
M.D., Dartmouth College; Internship, Yale University;  
Residency, Tulane Medical Center, Tulane University

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