

Meet Your General Surgeon



At Christie Clinic one of our motto's is "I Listen. I Care." I take this to heart, and intentionally take time to listen to my patients, answer their questions, and demonstrate that I really do care. I believe that this is of extremely high value in providing the best care for my patients.

Rafael Ruggieri, MD, FACS

Why I Chose Health Care

"I have always known that I would become a physician. I have viewed it as one of my callings in life and have pursued it with the same vigor that I have my other callings in life, such as being a good father and husband."

Surgery Residency

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Medical School

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

Undergraduate Degree

BA with Highest Honors, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL

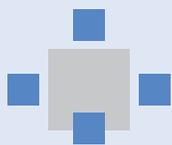
Department of General Surgery

In the Department of General Surgery Dr. Ruggieri diagnoses and treats diseases or injuries that require general surgery, and provides surgical management and care for cancer, with a special interest in Breast Cancer, Skin Cancer, and Colon and Rectal Cancer. Dr. Ruggieri cares for the surgical needs of both children and adults.

Hospital Affiliation

Carle Foundation Hospital and OSF HealthCare Heart of Mary Medical Center in Champaign

Dr. Ruggieri is happily married with five children. He enjoys spending time with his family, playing games and working around the house together. He tries to make it to his children's school activities and appropriately balance all of the important components of life. He exercises regularly and tries to take good care of his body in order to be able to best serve his patients and the others in his life. He has ran the Christie Clinic Marathon twice and the Half-Marathon twice. He is an Eagle Scout and continues to support the Boy Scouts as a merit badge counselor and mentors young men as they work towards achieving the rank of Eagle as well. He is a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and actively participates in church related functions regularly.



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