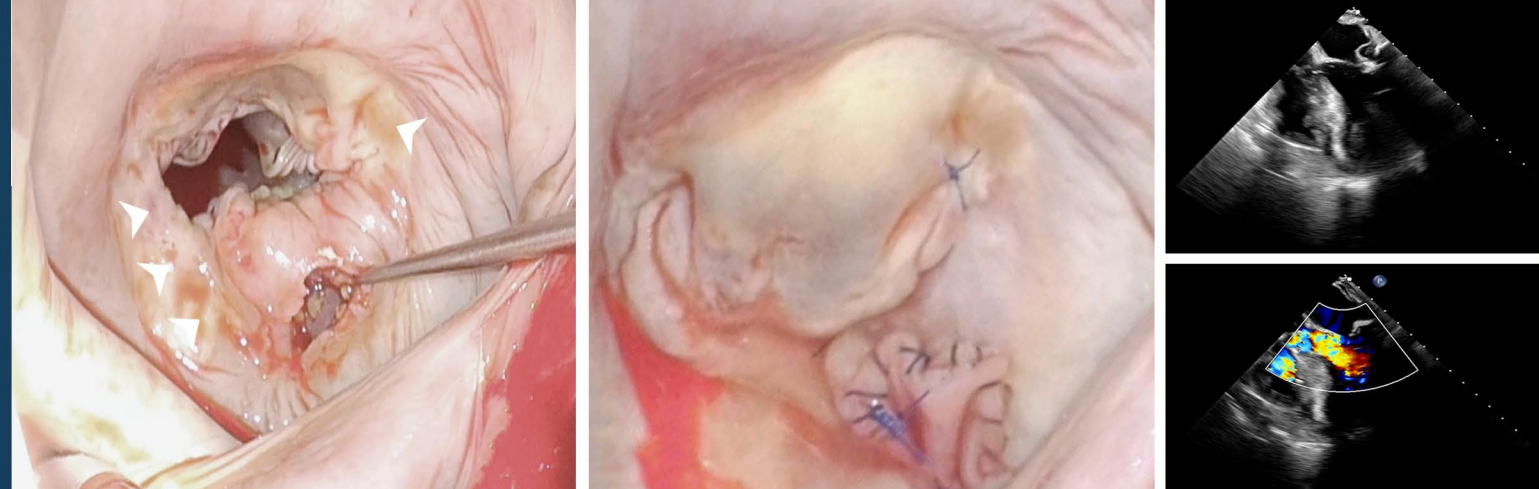


59F s/p mitral endocarditis (Staphylococcus Aureus) Thought to have a 1.5 x 1.3 cm mass, no MR then Severe mitral annular calcification (MAC), no CAD Confirmed windsock deformity & severe MR on TEE

Debridement, pericardial patch repair, “magic suture”, ringless technique (MAC - endocarditis)



Complex Mitral Valve Repair at Bayamón Medical - www.hispanicvalvecenter.org

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Dear All,
In this issue, I would like to make an emphasis on patient experience, a rapidly maturing field that certainly plays a key role in today's healthcare. We are beyond grateful to our patients for volunteering their time to help us and put future patients at ease. In addition, let me reiterate the critical importance of the Heart Team to our program's current success.

Javier Castillo, MD
Director, Hispanic Valve Center

Estimados todos,
En este número nos centramos en la importancia de la experiencia del paciente, un campo que madura rápidamente y que juega sin duda un papel clave en la sanidad actual. Agradecemos la colaboración y por supuesto, el tiempo de cada uno de nuestros pacientes. Además, destacamos la importancia del Heart Team en el éxito actual de nuestro programa.

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The 2021 Guideline for the Management of Patients with Valvular Heart Disease

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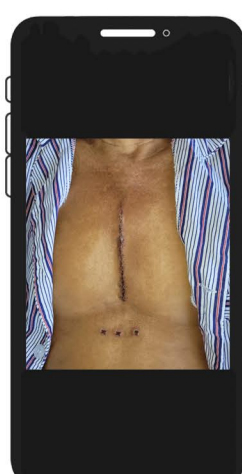
Sociedad Puertorriqueña de Cardiología Intervencional
SAN JUAN | PR

The XIII Annual Meeting of the *Sociedad Puertorriqueña de Cardiología Intervencional* gathered in San Juan, PR over 200 cardiovascular specialists. Doctors Valentin Del Rio and Ricardo Santiago (PCI Cardiology Group) successfully led a scientific committee that focused on the latest developments and research. The attendees were able to join the experts direct from the cathlab at Bayamón Medical Center in multiple live cases on hot topics including STEMI and chronic total occlusions. The Hispanic Valve Center was present at the plenary session on structural heart disease and debates on potential interventional options for mitral valve disease.

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Sternal Wound Surveillance Program, a Great Success
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Our sternal wound surveillance program has been a great success. After more than a hundred cases, we have not had any patient with a deep sternal wound infection or with the need of further interventions to deal with wound-related complications. Maria Morales, RN, a highly trained nurse-surveyor has successfully executed our guidelines in every single patient. All wounds suspected of harboring an infection were observed daily with our HIPAA compliant “wound app”. In addition, those patients with risk factors for sternal wound infection were also surveyed.



Hispanic Heritage Month in the United States
BAYAMON | PR

The United States annually honors the Hispanic community with a Hispanic Heritage Month celebration that runs from September 15th to October 15th. This is also extended to Canada, Puerto Rico and Latin America. Hispanics make up 17.3% of the population (55.3M, being the second-largest ethnic group) and citizens of Mexican origin account for a total of two-thirds. About 70% of Hispanics over 65 years-old live in four states: California, Texas, New York, and Florida. By 2050, the Hispanic population in the United States is projected to be 119M.

Making an Impact on Patient Education

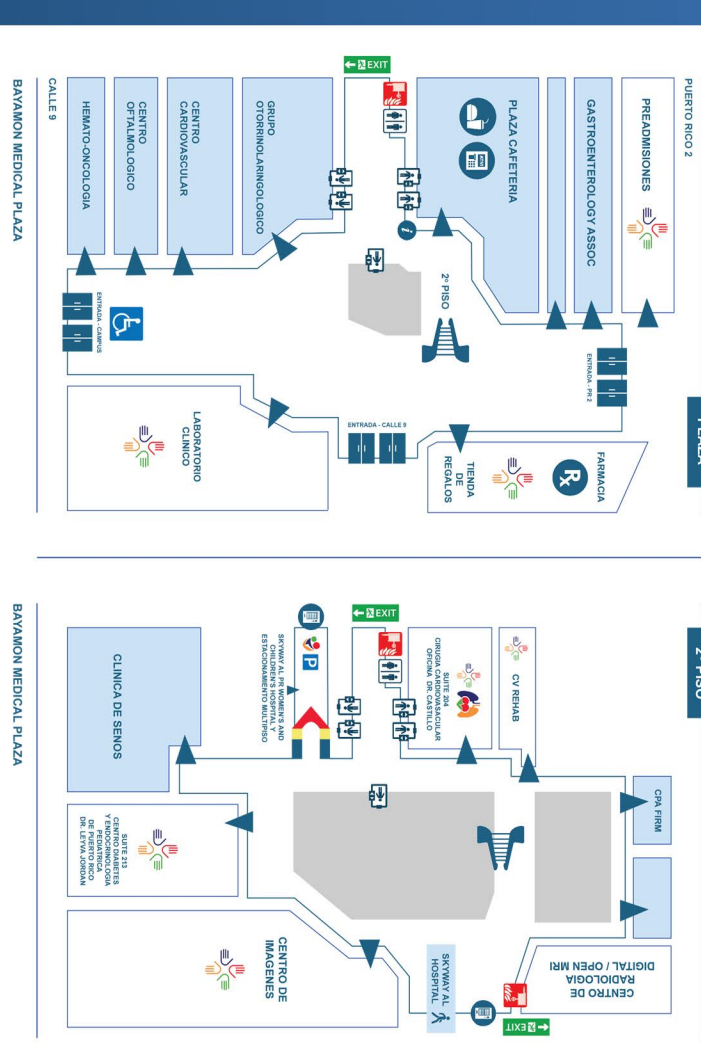


We are all working together to provide the highest-quality care by achieving complete patient understanding. In this context, the Hispanic Valve Center has developed a booklet for those patients who are in need of cardiovascular surgery. This comprehensive patient roadmap answers every single question. In addition, we have adapted, simplified, and fully translated the guidelines to improve and maximize patient understanding about indications and timing.



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