

DR. HARSH DHAR

Senior Consultant - Surgical Oncology

Qualification

MBBS | MS (ENT) | M.Ch (Head & Neck Surgery- TMH Mumbai)

Overview

Dr. Harsh Dhar is a highly respected oncologist with over a decade of clinical and surgical experience, currently practicing at Manipal Hospitals Broadway. He specialises in the management of complex head and neck malignancies, including thyroid tumours and cancers of the oral cavity, salivary glands, paranasal sinuses, and larynx. His meticulous approach, surgical precision, and patient-centric care have earned him the trust of countless patients and the recognition of peers across India and abroad. A board-certified oncologist, Dr. Dhar completed his MBBS from one of the world's leading medical universities. He further trained in surgical oncology, with a focused interest in head and neck cancers, earning a Gold Medal from the esteemed Tata Memorial Hospital in 2017 — one of the highest accolades in his field. His academic brilliance also earned him the MUHS Silver Medal in MS ENT and a Silver Medal in ENT during his MBBS. Throughout his medical journey, Dr. Dhar has actively engaged in clinical research, particularly exploring the role of Neoadjuvant chemotherapy in oral malignancies. His contributions have added value to evolving treatment protocols aimed at preserving organ

function and improving patient outcomes. He has independently performed and assisted in a wide range of complex surgeries, including those involving paragangliomas, thyroid, sinonasal tumours, and oral cancers. Dr. Dhar is also a passionate educator and has delivered several invited lectures at regional and national-level conferences. His ability to simplify complex concepts and communicate effectively makes him a valuable mentor and speaker in medical forums. He is an active member of several prestigious professional bodies, including the Foundation of Head and Neck Oncology, the Indian Society of Thyroid Surgeons, the Asia Pacific Thyroid Society, and the European Society of Medical Oncology. These affiliations reflect his global outlook, commitment to continued learning, and adherence to the latest standards in cancer care. He is the Best Surgical Oncologist in Broadway, Kolkata. With a strong foundation in evidence-based medicine, compassionate patient engagement, and academic excellence, Dr. Harsh Dhar continues to make significant contributions to the field of oncology, particularly in the subspecialty of head and neck cancers. His goal remains simple yet powerful—to provide holistic, precise, and effective cancer care that restores both health and hope.

Fellowship & Membership

- Member of the Foundation of Head and Neck Oncology
- Member of the Indian Society of Thyroid Surgeons
- Member of the Asia Pacific Thyroid Society
- Member of the European Society of Medical Oncology

Field of Expertise

- All Types of Head and Neck Malignancies
- Thyroid Tumors

Languages Spoken

- English
- Hindi
- Bengali
- Marathi
- Tamil

Awards & Achievements

- Gold Medal in Surgical Oncology, Batch of 2017, Tata Memorial Hospital
- Silver Medal in ENT, MBBS (III Year)
- MUHS Silver Medicine in MS ENT
- MGR Medical University Silver Medal in Internal Medicine -Batch of 2009

Talks & Publications

- Dr. Dhar has actively contributed to clinical research, with a focus on Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy in Oral Malignancies. His work supports organ preservation strategies and improves the quality of life for cancer patients. Click Here
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