HIPEC is Hyperthermic Intraperitoneal Chemotherapy, an innovative method designed to effectively treat primary and metastatic cancers in the abdomen. At the end of the surgery to remove the tumor, the patient’s abdominal cavity is bathed in a heated, highly concentrated chemotherapy solution to eliminate any residual cancer. University of Chicago Medicine is one of the few hospitals that offer HIPEC for both adult and pediatric patients.

**BENEFITS OF HIPEC**

1. **Concentrated & targeted dose of chemotherapy**
2. **Works in tandem with the surgery as a “one-two punch!”**
3. **Deeper penetration of medicine**
4. **Side effects are often reduced**

**PROCEDURE:**

1. Near the end of surgery to remove tumors, doctors pump chemotherapy heated to 108˚ into the patient’s abdominal cavity.
2. The chemotherapy is drained from the patient’s body.
3. The abdomen is rinsed and the incision is closed.

Some cancers that may be treated with HIPEC:

- Abdominal
- Mesothelioma
- Ovarian
- Colorectal
- Appendix
- Stomach

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