Dr. Jose L. Almeda was born in Del Rio, Texas and completed medical school and General Surgery residency training in San Antonio at UTHSCSA. He is certified by The American Board of Surgery. Dr. Almeda completed fellowships in Liver and Kidney Transplantation at the University of Southern California (USC) and is accredited by the America Society of Transplant Surgeons. In addition, under the direction of Rick Selby M.D., he completed an intense fellowship in Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery also at USC. During this training, he focused on tertiary referrals involving complex liver, bile duct, and pancreatic diseases. Using traditional open, and new laparoscopic techniques, Dr. Almeda now offers San Antonio and South Texas specialized surgical services focused on pancreatic cancer, liver tumors, and bile duct diseases including repair of bile duct injuries. Along with Dr’s. Washburn and Halff, the team offers vascular reconstruction for those pancreatic tumors previously categorized as inoperable and can help with liver tumors involving complicated resections. The outcomes of these operations parallel or exceed those of tumors that do not involve vascular structures, thus the benefit to the patients is tremendous.

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THE RENAISSANCE DIFFERENCE
When visiting with your Liver & Pancreas Cancer Surgeon, Organ Transplantation, Dr. Jose Luis Almeda, it is normal to feel anxious about your upcoming physician visit. At Doctors Hospital at Renaissance Cancer Center you can expect to be greeted with a staff that is dedicated to helping you through your visit.

**What documents will be requested from your referring physician:**

- [ ] Biopsy
- [ ] CT Scan
- [ ] Doctor’s Notes
- [ ] Echocardiograms
- [ ] Family History
- [ ] Labs
- [ ] Medication
- [ ] MRI
- [ ] Pet Scans

**What to expect during Registration:**

During registration, staff will ask you to sign registration paperwork and to present the following items.

- [ ] Identification
- [ ] Insurance Card
- [ ] Other Form of Payment

**What to expect during medical visit:**

You will be greeted by a medical assistant whom will take your vital signs and collect any medical history needed. Dr. Almeda will then review medical history with you and discusses treatment plan options, which may include the following:

**In selected cases:**

- [ ] Surgery
- [ ] Chemo Therapy
- [ ] Infusion Oncology
- [ ] Radiation Oncology
- [ ] Referral to other Physician
- [ ] Supportive Treatment (Injections, Blood Transfusion, Port Flush)
- [ ] Target Therapy

**Resources available to you:**

- [ ] Beauty Salon
- [ ] Financial Counseling
- [ ] Monthly Chemotherapy Class
- [ ] Monthly Support Group
- [ ] Nutrition Counseling
- [ ] Patient Navigation
- [ ] Personalized Counseling

If you should have any questions or concerns regarding your treatment please don’t hesitate to call (956) 217-7050.