

Neurology

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Clinical Programs & Services

Electroencephalography (EEG) Lab (202) 444-3600

Offers comprehensive EEG and evoked potential evaluation of patients with neurological diseases. EEG evaluations include in and outpatient long-term EEG and video EEG monitoring, presurgical epilepsy work up and perioperative cortical mapping. Evoked potential activity includes perioperative monitoring of spine and intracranial surgeries.

Contact name: Gholam Motamedi, M.D.

Appointment line: (202) 444-3600

Appointment hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Electromyography (EMG) (202) 444-8525

Offers electrodiagnostic capabilities to detect neuromuscular diseases. Problems involving the peripheral nerves and muscles can be diagnosed utilizing nerve stimulation and needle EMG muscle testing. Autonomic nervous system testing is also performed.

Contact name: Carlos Mora, M.D.; Michael Sirdofsky, M.D.

Appointment line: (202) 444-8525

Appointment hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Epilepsy Center (202) 444-3600

A comprehensive program for evaluation and treatment of epilepsy including diagnosis, drug therapy, women's health and epilepsy surgery.

Contact name: William Gaillard, M.D.; Gholam Motamedi, M.D.

Appointment line: (202) 444-3600

Appointment hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Clinical Programs & Services, continued**Epilepsy Monitoring Unit (202) 444-3600**

This unit provides video EEG, diagnostic evaluation and presurgical assessment.

Contact name: William Gaillard, M.D.; Gholam Motamedi, M.D.

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Headache Clinic (202) 444-8525

Involved in the assessment, diagnosis and treatment of a variety of headache disorders including migraine, cluster and posttraumatic headache conditions. Inpatient and outpatient treatment is available. A multidisciplinary approach to treatment is provided.

Contact name: Ben Osborne, M.D.

Appointment line: (202) 444-8525

Appointment hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Memory Disorders Program (202) 784-6671

Provides clinical services for individuals affected by Alzheimer's Disease and related disorders including evaluation, diagnosis, treatment and continuing care and conducts clinical trials with the goal of developing better treatments.

Contact name: Carolyn Ward, M.S.P.H.

Appointment line: (202) 784-6671

Appointment hours: Mondays, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Wednesdays, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.; Thursdays, 10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Neuroimmunology (202) 444-8525

Offers diagnosis and treatment of Lyme disease, multiple sclerosis, myasthenia gravis and other neuroimmunological disorders.

Contact name: Carlo Tornatore, M.D.

Appointment line: (202) 444-8525

Appointment hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Neuromuscular Diseases Clinic (202) 444-8525

Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA)-supported clinic in which patients with two neuromuscular disorders, including amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, are seen.

Contact name: Michael Sirdofsky, M.D.

Appointment line: (202) 444-8525

Appointment hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Neuropsychology (703) 876-0966

Involves the assessment of cognitive, perceptual, and motor skills in the evaluation of brain functioning. The Department of Neurology provides neuropsychological assessment of adults with a wide range of neurological and psychiatric conditions. These measures are useful in following a patient's response to treatment.

Contact name: Mary Elizabeth Quig, Ph.D.; Cynthia Sullivan, Ph.D.;

Jeffrey Wilken, Ph.D.

Appointment line: (703) 876-0966

Appointment hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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Clinical Programs & Services, continued

Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders (202) 444-8525

A comprehensive program for evaluation and treatment of Parkinson's disease and movement disorders including diagnosis, drug therapy, outpatient treatment and surgery. Designated as a "Center of Excellence" by the National Parkinson Foundation.

Contact name: Fernando Pagan, M.D., Co-Program Director;
Christopher Kalthorn, M.D., Co-Program Director

Appointment line: (202) 444-8525

Appointment hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sleep Disorders Center (202) 444-3610

Offers a multidisciplinary facility with a comprehensive program for the evaluation of sleep disorders, such as insomnia, sleep apnea and narcolepsy. Impotence may also be evaluated. The Sleep Disorders Center is fully accredited.

Contact name: Anne O'Donnell, M.D.

Appointment line: (202) 444-3610

Appointment hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Stroke Center (202) 342-3300

As a Primary Stroke Center certified by the Joint Commission, the center provides diagnosis and treatment of stroke employing an integrated emergency stroke team composed of ED physicians, neurologists, neurosurgeons, neuroradiologists and neuroscience nurses. Delivery of acute stroke therapies including IV tPA and endovascular therapies. Use of brain perfusion and noninvasive vascular imaging equipment. Services available through EMS and MedStar ground and airborne transport. Care coordinated from initial contact to neurological and other rehabilitation therapies as well as community outreach programs.

Contact name: Chelsea Kidwell, M.D., Program Director

Appointment line: (202) 687-7302

Appointment hours: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Physician Listing

Edward B. Healton, M.D., M.P.H. (202) 444-1534

Pager: (202) 405-2420

Title: Chair, Departments of Neurology and Rehabilitation Medicine

Degree: Creighton University, 1969

Internship: Harlem Hospital Center, Columbia University, 1971

Residency: Neurological Institute, Columbia University, 1975

Certification: Neurology, 1979

Special interests

- Stroke
- Spinal cord injury

*Physician Listing, continued***Paul Aisen, M.D.****(202) 784-6671****Pager: (800) 538-2774**

Title: Professor and Vice-Chair, Department of Neurology

Degree: Columbia University, 1979

Internship: University Hospitals of Cleveland, 1981

Residency: Mount Sinai Hospital, 1982

Fellowship: NYU Medical Center, 1984

Certification: Internal Medicine, 1982; Rheumatology, 1984;
Geriatric Medicine, 2002*Special interests:*

- Alzheimer's disease

Richard Burgess, M.D., Ph.D.**(202) 444-2347****Pager: (202) 405-3425**

Title: Assistant Professor, Department of Neurology

Degree: Ohio State University College of Medicine, M.D., 2001

Internship: Washington University, 2002

Residency: Washington University, 2005

Fellowship: National Institute of Neurologic Diseases and Stroke, 2007

Certification: Psychiatry and Neurology, 2006

Special interests:

- Stroke

Alexander Dromerick, M.D.**(202) 877-1504****Pager: (301) 953-0550, #20730**Title: Associate Professor, Departments of Neurology
and Rehabilitation Medicine

Degree: University of Maryland, School of Medicine, 1986

Internship: Shock Trauma Center, 1988

Residency: University of Pennsylvania Health System, 1991

Fellowship: Neuro Rehabilitation, University of Pennsylvania Health System,
1992; Neuro Rehabilitation, The Burke Rehabilitation Hospital,
1993

Certification: Psychiatry and Neurology, 1992

Special interests:

- Physical medicine and rehabilitation
- Stroke recovery

Physician Listing, continued

William Gaillard, M.D.

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Title: Professor, Department of Neurology
Degree: Yale University School of Medicine, 1985
Internship: Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, 1986
Residency: Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, Pediatrics, 1987;
Johns Hopkins Hospital, Neurology, 1990
Fellowship: National Institute of Health, Epilepsy, 1993
Certification: Psychiatry and Neurology, 1992

Special interests:

- Epilepsy
- Imaging

Christine Heath, M.D.

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Pager: (202) 259-0343

Title: Instructor, Department of Neurology
Degree: Medical College of Pennsylvania, 1998
Internship: MCP-Hahnemann University School of Medicine, 1999
Residency: MCP-Hahnemann University School of Medicine, 2002
Fellowship: Saint Christopher's Hospital for Children, Philadelphia, 2004;
Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, 2005

Special interests:

- Pediatric epilepsy
- Epilepsy

Amie Hsia, M.D.

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Title: Assistant Professor, Department of Neurology
Degree: Duke University, M.D., 1998
Internship: California Pacific Medical Center, 1999
Residency: Stanford University Hospital, 2002
Fellowship: Stanford University Hospital, 2004
Certification: Psychiatry and Neurology, 2004
Language: Mandarin Chinese

Special interests:

- Stroke

*Physician Listing, continued***Chelsea S. Kidwell, M.D.****(202) 687-7302****Pager: (866) 474-7610**

Title: Associate Professor and Medical Director, Georgetown Stroke Center, Department of Neurology
 Degree: University of Arizona, Tucson, 1992
 Internship: UCLA, Internal Medicine, 1993
 Residency: UCLA, Neurology, 1996
 Fellowship: Cerebrovascular Disease Fellowship, UCLA, 1998
 Certification: Medical Examiners, 1993; Psychiatry and Neurology, 1998;

Neurosonology, 1998

Special interests:

- Stroke

Steven Lo, M.D.**(202) 444-6231****Pager: (202) 405-2331**

Title: Assistant Professor, Department of Neurology
 Degree: State of New York at Buffalo, M.D., 2000
 Internship: University of Illinois at Chicago Medical Center, 2001
 Residency: University of Chicago Hospitals, 2004
 Fellowship: Columbia University Medical Center, 2006
 Certification: Psychiatry and Neurology, 2004

Special interests:

- Parkinson's disease
- Parkinsonism and other related disorders
- Essential tremor
- Tourette's syndrome and ties

Allen Mandir, M.D., Ph.D.**(202) 444-7554****Pager: (202) 405-2581**

Title: Associate Professor, Department of Neurology
 Degree: Emory University School of Medicine, 1992
 Internship: Emory University School of Medicine, 1993
 Residency: Johns Hopkins University, 1996
 Fellowship: Johns Hopkins University, 1998
 Certification: Psychiatry and Neurology, 2002; Clinical Neurophysiology, 2003

Special interests:

- Neurophysiology
- Movement disorders
- Neurodegenerative diseases

Physician Listing, continued

Robert E. Minahan, M.D.

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Title: Associate Professor, Department of Neurology
Degree: Duke University School of Medicine, 1992
Internship: Duke University School of Medicine, 1993
Residency: Johns Hopkins University, 1996
Fellowship: Johns Hopkins University, 1997
Certification: Psychiatry and Neurology, 1997; Clinical Neurophysiology, 1999

Special interests:

- Intraoperative neuromonitoring
- EMG
- Neuromuscular disease

Carlos Mora, M.D.

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Pager: (202) 405-2571

Title: Instructor, Department of Neurology
Degree: Colegio Mayor De Nuestra Senora Del Rosario, 1977
Internship: George Washington University Medical Center, 1997
Residency: George Washington University Medical Center, 2000
Fellowship: National Institutes of Health, 2003
Language: Spanish

Special interests:

- Multiple sclerosis
- EMG

Gholam Motamedi, M.D.

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Pager: (202) 405-2464

Title: Assistant Professor, Department of Neurology
Degree: Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Iran, 1982
Internship: Yale University, 1994
Residency: Baylor College of Medicine, 1998
Fellowship: Johns Hopkins Hospital, Clinical Neurophysiology and Epilepsy, 2001

Certification: Neurology, 2000; Clinical Neurophysiology, 2001

Language: Persian

Special interests:

- Electrical stimulation
- Epilepsy surgery
- Pediatric epilepsy

*Physician Listing, continued***Benjamin Osborne, M.D.****(202) 444-8525****Pager: (202) 405-2586**

Title: Assistant Professor, Department of Neurology
 Degree: Hahnemann University School of Medicine, 2001
 Internship: Maimonides Hospital, 2002
 Residency: Georgetown University Hospital, 2005
 Fellowship: University of Pennsylvania and Scheie Eye Institute,
 Neuro-Ophthalmology, 2006
 Certification: Psychiatry and Neurology, 2006

Special interests:

- Optic neuropathies
- Multiple sclerosis
- Nystagmus
- Myasthenia gravis

Fernando Pagan, M.D.**(202) 444-8525****Pager: (202) 405-2439**

Title: Assistant Professor, Movement Disorder Specialist,
 Department of Neurology
 Degree: Georgetown University School of Medicine, 1996
 Internship: Georgetown University School of Medicine, 1997
 Residency: Georgetown University School of Medicine, 2000
 Fellowship: National Institute of Health, 2003
 Certification: Psychiatry and Neurology, 2003
 Language: Spanish

Special interests:

- Parkinson's disease
- Parkinsonism and other related disorders
- Ataxia
- Essential tremor
- Dystonia and ties
- Botulinum toxin
- Deep brain stimulation
- Gluten sensitivity

Physician Listing, continued

Jonathan H. Pincus, M.D.

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Title: Professor and Chair Emeritus, Department of Neurology

Degree: Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons, 1960

Internship: SUNY Downstate Medical Center, 1961

Residency: Yale University School of Medicine, 1964

Certification: Neurology, 1968; Child Neurology, 1969

Special interests:

- Behavioral neurological disorders
- Cerebrovascular disease
- Epilepsy
- Multiple sclerosis
- Neuromuscular disorders
- Parkinson's disease and related movement disorders

Kathleen Redington, M.D., Ph.D.

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Title: Clinical Instructor, Department of Neurology

Degree: Cornell University Medical College, M.D., 1988;
Columbia University, Ph.D., 1982

Internship: New England Deaconess Hospital/Harvard Medical School, 1989

Residency: New York Hospital/Cornell Medical Center, 1992

Research: Drug discovery in Alzheimer's disease

Special interests:

- Alzheimer's disease

*Physician Listing, continued***Marianne Schuelein, M.D.****(202) 687-4947****Pager: (202) 405-2815**

Title: Assistant Professor, Division of Pediatric Neurology, Department of Neurology; Assistant Professor, Department of Pediatrics
Degree: New York University School of Medicine, 1959
Internship: Yale University, Pediatrics, 1960
Residency: Michael Reese Hospital, Pediatrics, 1962; Georgetown University Medical Center, Neurology, 1967
Fellowship: Children's National Medical Center, Neurology, 1963
Certification: Pediatrics, 1964; Psychiatry and Neurology with special qualifications in Child Neurology, 1969

Ejaz Shamim, M.D.**(202) 444-8525****Pager: (202) 405- 0088**

Title: Instructor, Movement Disorder Specialist, Department of Neurology
Degree: Dow Medical College, M.D., 1997
Internship: Georgetown University Hospital, 2002
Residency: Georgetown University Hospital, 2005
Fellowship: National Institute of Health, 2007
Special interests:

- Parkinson's disease
- Parkinsonism and other related disorders
- Essential tremor
- Dystonia and ties
- Botulinum toxin
- Deep brain stimulation

Michael D. Sirdofsky, M.D.**(202) 444-2384****Pager: (202) 405-2341**

Title: Associate Professor, Department of Neurology; Director, EMG Laboratory and MDA Clinic
Degree: Georgetown University School of Medicine, 1976
Internship: Long Island Jewish-Hillside Medical Centers, 1977
Residency: Georgetown University Medical Center, 1980
Certification: Neurology/Electromyography, 1981

Special interests:

- Autonomic testing
- EEG
- Electrodiagnosis
- EMG
- Neuromuscular diseases

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Physician Listing, continued

Carlo Tornatore, M.D.

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Title: Assistant Professor, Department of Neurology
Degree: Georgetown University School of Medicine, 1986
Internship: Providence Hospital, 1987
Residency: Georgetown University Medical Center, 1990
Fellowship: National Institutes of Health, 1994
Certification: Psychiatry and Neurology, 1991

Special interests:

- Multiple sclerosis
- Infectious diseases of the central nervous system
- Neuro-AIDS

Tammy Tsuchida, M.D.

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Title: Instructor, Department of Neurology
Degree: Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons, 1997
Internship: University of California, San Francisco, 1998
Residency: University of California, San Francisco, 1999
Fellowship: University of California, San Francisco, Neurology, 2002
University of California, San Francisco, Neurophysiology, 2003
Certification: Psychiatry and Neurology, 2003

Special interests:

- Epilepsy
- Epilepsy surgery
- Ketogenic diet

Advanced Practice Nurse Listing

Krisana Gesuwan, R.N., N.P.

(202) 444-3973

Title: Nurse Practitioner, Department of Neurology
Degree: University of Maryland, M.S.N., 2005
Certification: American Academy of Nurse Practitioner, 2005

Special interests:

- Multiple sclerosis

Kathleen Johnson, R.N., M.S.N., A.N.P.

(202) 444-6671

Title: Adult Nurse Practitioner, Department of Neurology
Degree: University of Southern California, M.S.N., 1995
Certification: American Nurses Credentialing Center, 1996

Advanced Practice Nurse Listing, continued**Ericka Mitchell, F.N.P.** (202) 444-6483

Title: Nurse Practitioner, Department of Neurology Pager: (202) 405-2428
 Degree: George Mason University, 1999
 Grad. Degree: George Mason University/George Washington University, 2004
 Certification: American Nurses Credentialing Center, 2004
Special interests:

- Multiple sclerosis

Brigid Reynolds, R.N., M.S.N., A.N.P. (202) 444-6671

Title: Adult Nurse Practitioner, Department of Neurology
 Degree: Catholic University, M.S.N., 1996
Special interests:

- Geriatrics

Bethany Schreiber, R.N., A.N.P. (202) 444-1544

Title: Adult Nurse Practitioner, Department of Neurology
 Degree: Vanderbilt University, M.S.N., 2005
 Certification: American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, 2005
Special interests:

- Multiple sclerosis

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Title: Nurse Practitioner, Department of Neurology Pager: (202) 405-1775
 Degree: Russell Sage College, 1981
 Grad. Degree: University of Maryland, 2002
 Certification: American Nurses Credentialing Center, 2002;
 Gerontological Specialist, 2002
Special interests:

- Movement disorders
- Parkinson's disease

Patrycja Zielinska, R.N., M.S.N., N.P. (202) 687-2352

Title: Memory Disorders Nurse Practitioner Pager: 202-405-2516
 Degree: Massachusetts General Hospital-Institute of Health Professions, 2003
 Certification: ANCC 2003; AANP 2003
 Languages: Polish, Spanish
Special interests:

- Adult/geriatric medicine and Alzheimer's disease

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