# Consortium Centers Richmond/Southeast PADRECC

Augusta, GA

Augusta VAMC Director: John C. Morgan, MD, PhD

Phone for appointments: 706-733-0188 x3260

The Movement Disorders Clinic at the Augusta VAMC has been operational since ~1985. Dr. Kapil Sethi headed the clinic until 2005 when Dr. John Morgan took over duties. Dr. Morgan provides subspecialty consults, botulinum toxin injections for patients with blepharospasm, hemifacial spasm and craniocervical dystonia. He also serves as the PI or Sub-I on various clinical trials in Parkinson's disease and Huntington's disease.

## Birmingham, AL

Birmingham VAMC Director: Anthony P. Nicholas, MD, PhD

Phone for appointments: 205-933-8101 x 4734 (referral number to VAMC clinic)

The Movement Disorders Clinic at the Birmingham VAMC, operational since 2004, provides subspecialty consults for the diagnosis, treatment and referral of all movement disorder cases. Patient selection for Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) surgery, as well as maintenance of stimulator devices, are now being performed in our DBS clinic headed by Dr. Victor Sung. In concert with that effort, DBS surgeries for Parkinson disease, dystonia, tremor and other "off-label" indications are presently being performed at the Birmingham VAMC in collaboration with University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) and BVAMC neurosurgeon Dr. Barton Guthrie. In addition, Dr. Amy Willis Amara is also available for consultation of movement disorders patients with concomitant sleep disorders, including evaluations for REM sleep behavior disorder. Starting in January 2014, a new cervical dystonia clinic will be available, run by Dr. Nicholas, with botulinum toxin injection services. As part of their clinical research commitment, Drs. Nicholas and Sung have recently published a review article entitled "Non-motor symptoms in Parkinson's disease: Expanding the view of Parkinson's disease beyond a pure motor, pure dopaminergic problem." (Neurologic Clinics, 2013, Volume 31: pages 1-16.)

#### Decatur, GA

Atlanta VAMC Director: Marian L. Evatt, MD MS

Phone for appointments: 404-235-3077

Established in 2005, The Movement Disorders Clinic at the Atlanta VAMC is staffed by Neurologist Marian Evatt, Neurology Nurse Coordinator J.Renee Livsey, and Nurse Practitioner Pamela Brown. They have a Clinical PharmD (part time) to assist in neurology clinic and a neurosurgeon. Not doing DBS but maybe battery changes eventually. The clinic provides subspecialty consultations for movement disorders, patient selection and management services for DBS surgery, and botulinum toxin injections. Dr. Evatt affiliated with the Emory University and the Emory Parkinson's Disease Research Center, is the PI clinical/translational studies that recruit subjects through the Atlanta VAMC Movement Disorders Clinic.

The Atlanta Consortium Center also works with American Parkinson's Disease Association (APDA) Information and Referral Center at Emory and the National Parkinson's Foundation (NPF) Center of Excellence at Emory to provide patient education and support activities. Dr. Evatt is currently working to establish video telehealth clinic follow up visits for patients with movement disorders.

Movement Disorders Clinic Referrals: Due to high demand, the Atlanta VA Neurology Clinic is currently advising providers to refer patients from VA Centers other than the Atlanta VAMC to local non-VA fee basis providers. However, providers may contact Dr. Evatt for general advice on management of movement disorders. Clinic is looking for potential patients for Duopa therapy.

Durham, NC

Durham VAMC Director: Burton Scott, MD Phone for appointments: 919-286-0411 x 6943

The Durham Consortium Center provides care for about 100 veterans with Parkinson's disease (PD). Our PD clinics meet 10 times a month and are staffed by two movement disorders neurologists, Dr. Burton Scott and Dr. Jeff Cooney, in addition to Anna Cotton, PA and a variety of Duke Neurology residents who rotate through the clinic. Physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, and social work support our available at our facility. The VA neurosurgeons, Dr. Dennis Turner and Dr. Nandan Lad perform about 6 Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) surgeries at the Durham VAMC per year, and about 100 DBS surgeries per year at Duke University Medical Center across the street from the VA. Initial DBS programming is performed by Dr. Turner's group, and maintenance programming is done at our movement disorders clinics. In addition, Veterans are offered the opportunity to participate in multiple Parkinson's disease clinical trials at Duke University if they choose to, including trials sponsored by Biogen, Biotie, and the Parkinson Study Group.

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## Gainesville, FL

North Florida/South Georgia VAMC Director: Christopher Hess, MD

Phone for appointments: (352) 374-6058

The North Florida/South Georgia (NF/SG) Consortium provides care to veterans with Parkinson's disease as well as a variety of other movement disorders, including atypical parkinsonism, tremor disorders, myoclonus, chorea, dystonia, ataxia, and functional movement disorders. They provide EMG-guided botulinum toxin injections for movement disorders, as well as patient selection, programming, and follow-up care for patients requiring deep brain stimulation. A movement disorders physiology laboratory provides computerized tremor analysis and EMG-EEG back-averaging when indicated.

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### Lexington, KY

Lexington VAMC Director: John T. Slevin, MD

Phone for appointments: 859-281-4920

Established in 2000, The Movement Disorders Clinic at the Lexington VAMC is staffed by Dr. Slevin, a nurse practitioner, nurse manager, a movement disorders fellow and Pharm. D. It provides subspecialty consultations, patient selection and management services for DBS surgery, carbidopa-levodopa enteral suspension, and botulinum toxin injections. Dr. Slevin is affiliated with the University of Kentucky Medical Center and Director of Clinical Research for the UKMC Parkinson's Disease Research Center of Excellence, is the PI or Co-PI on 4 industry, 1 investigator initiated and 1 NIH-sponsored clinical/translational studies, four of which are currently recruiting subjects.

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#### Nashville, TN

VA Tennessee Valley Healthcare System – Nashville Campus Director: John Fang, MD

Phone for appointments: (615) 873-7510

Operational since 2002, the Movement Disorders clinic at the Nashville Campus of the VA Tennessee Valley Healthcare System treats patients with Parkinson's disease and other movement disorders. The focus is on optimizing medications and working with primary care providers and other specialists. Botulinum toxin therapy and deep brain stimulation programming are supported. Dolores Otto, neurology department secretary provides administrative support for the clinic. In 2011, Clinical Video Telehealth (CVT) was added linking select Community-Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOCs).

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### Orlando, FL

Orlando VA Medical Center Director: Ramon L Rodriguez Cruz, MD

Phone for appointments: (407) 631-1050

The Orlando VAMC Movement Disorders Clinic provides specialty care for those veterans affected by Parkinson's disease, Dystonia, Tremors, Huntington's disease, Parkinson Plus syndromes and other movement disorders in Central Florida. The Clinic operates under the supervision of Dr. Ramon Rodriguez, fellowship trained Movement Disorders Specialist. The clinic provides access to the latest medical and surgical procedures for patients suffering from movement disorders. Our center has a large experience in managing patients with DBS and Duopa, and provides specialized services like Physical therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech therapy by providers experienced in the management of Parkinson's disease. In addition, Dr. Khizar Malik, Fabian Rossi, Aunali Khaku, Nina Tsakadze, Umesh Sharma and Michael Hoffmann provide their neurological expertise, creating a comprehensive center that covers all the aspects of neurological care of this population.

An intestinal carbidopa levodopa program was implemented with the first patient successfully obtaining therapy. Orlando will have a Fellow in Movement Disorders and Behavioral Neurology. Services have expanded to provide botulinum toxins for all dystonias and sialorrhea.

Recent publication: Mov Disord Clin Pract. 2017 Nov-Dec;4(6):829-837. doi: 10.1002/mdc3.12526. Epub 2017 Sep 20. Effect of Levodopa-carbidopa Intestinal Gel on Non-motor Symptoms in Patients with Advanced Parkinson's Disease. Standaert DG, Rodriguez RL, Slevin JT, Lobatz M, Eaton S, Chatamra K, Facheris MF, Hall C, Sail K, Jalundhwala YJ, Benesh J.

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#### Tampa, FL

James A. Haley (JAH) Tampa VAMC

Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Center Director: Theresa A. Zesiewicz, MD FAAN

Phone for appointments: (813) 972-7633

The Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Center at the JAH in Tampa, Florida specializes in Parkinson's Disease, Essential Tremor, Dystonia, Ataxia, and Huntington's Disease. We also specialize in evaluations for surgical treatment of movement disorders. At the University of South Florida (USF) in Tampa, Dr. Zesiewicz is the Director, as well as heading The Frances J. Zesiewicz Center and Foundation for Parkinson's Disease and the USF Ataxia Research Center. Dr. Zesiewicz is a professor at USF and is involved with clinical trials in movement disorders. Please contact Melinda Anello at the number provided for appointments at the JAH Tampa VAMC. (Jan 2017 update)