

Neurosurgery

Candidate	<p>Patients 18 years or older</p> <p>Work Up: Non contrast MRI for Cervical, Thoracic, Lumbar, and Brain, is preferred. Relevant information to be included with your referral.</p>	
Location <i>Where will the patient be seen?</i>	<p>MultiCare Rockwood Neurosurgery and Spine Center 910 W. 5th Ave. Deaconess Medical Office Building 1 (Suite #1000) Spokane, WA 99204 Phone: 509-755-6735 Fax: 509-755-6527</p>	
Services	<p>Neurosurgery and Spine Surgery involves the surgical treatment of problems of the nervous system, including the brain, spinal cord and peripheral nerves. Neurosurgeons and Orthopedic Spine surgeons undergo many years of rigorous training, including an average of fifteen years of higher education.</p> <p>The Surgeons with MultiCare Neurosurgery and Spine are highly skilled and have access to some of the region's best and latest imaging, diagnostic equipment, and treatment facilities. They collaborate with many other specialists and medical professionals throughout the community, providing patients a full spectrum of care, from diagnosis and treatment, through recovery.</p>	
Treatments & Procedures	<p>MultiCare Neurosurgery and Spine provides treatment of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spine arthritis • Herniated spinal discs • Spinal stenosis • Spinal fractures • Spinal Deformity • Head injuries • Nerve injuries • Brain tumors • Brain hemorrhages • Hydrocephalus 	<p>When surgery is required, our neurosurgeons perform:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimally invasive spinal surgery • Spinal disc removal (Discectomy) • Spinal nerve decompression • Spinal fusion of the neck and back • Craniotomy for brain tumor removal • Minimally invasive brain surgery • Pituitary surgery • Trigeminal neuralgia surgery • Shunt placement • Computer-assisted stereotactic surgery and radiosurgery
Referral <i>How do we refer?</i>	<p>For Neurosurgery and Spine provider referrals are required. Referrals may be placed in EPIC. Providers without EPIC access may fax referrals to the number listed above.</p> <p>For Chiropractic services patients may self-refer.</p>	

Meet our specialists

Our experienced team includes board-certified physicians specializing neurosurgery, orthopedic surgery and other support staff.



Christopher Heller, MD

Neurosurgery

Dr. Heller specializes in neurosurgery and spine conditions, offering a full range of treatment from minimally invasive options to advanced neurosurgery.

Areas of Expertise: Gamma Knife radiosurgery, Brain tumors, Pituitary tumors, Trigeminal neuralgia, NPH, Spine tumors, Cervical & Lumbar spine fusion, Minimally invasive spine surgery

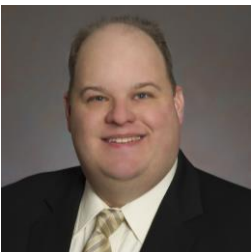


Lee Sandquist, DO

Neurosurgery

Lee Sandquist, MD specializes in neurosurgery and spine conditions, offering a full range of treatment from minimally invasive options to advanced neurosurgery.

Areas of Expertise: Back surgery – including but not limited to: Cervical spine & Lumbar spine fusions, Compression fractures, Scoliosis. Minimally invasive spine surgery, Brain tumors, Pituitary tumors, Spine tumors, Trigeminal neuralgia



Christopher Melich, DC

Chiropractic Medicine

Christopher Melich, DC specializes in the treatment of joint mobility problems. Christopher diagnoses and treats a multitude of conditions that extend beyond the spine, and works with your health care providers to coordinate care.

Areas of Expertise: Complex Spine, Chronic Pain, Disc Disorders, Centralized Pain, Mechanical Joint Dysfunction, Industrial Injury, Motor Vehicle Accidents



Dwain Judah, PA-C

Neurosurgery

Dwain Judah, PA-C works with our surgeons to provide comprehensive neurosurgical care, from evaluation to follow-up.

Areas of Expertise: Neurosurgical evaluation & Neurosurgical assisting



Steven Tilka, PA-C

Surgical Assistant

Steven Tilka, PA-C works with our surgeons to provide comprehensive neurosurgical care, from evaluation to follow-up.

Areas of Expertise: Neurosurgical evaluation & Neurosurgical assisting



Dacotah Spurgeon, PA-C

Neurosurgery

Dacotah Spurgeon, MSPT, PA-C, works with our surgeons to provide comprehensive neurosurgical care, from evaluation to follow-up.

Areas of Expertise: Neurosurgical Evaluation and Physical Medicine and Rehab



Ryan Gilbreth, PA-C

Neurosurgery

Ryan Gilbreth, PA-C works with our surgeons to provide comprehensive neurosurgical care, from evaluation to follow-up.

Areas of Expertise: Neurosurgical evaluation & Neurosurgical assisting