



# Neuroscience Program Highlights

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Through generous donors, world-class care is available in our own community to improve the lives of patients with movement disorders. Thank you for your support in moving the Upstate forward in transforming health care.

### **Moving in the Right Direction**

A sudden stroke, diagnosis of Parkinson's disease or a life-changing movement disorder can leave patients asking, "What now?" Neurology and mobility patients, as well as their families, often find that making timely appointments or finding the right doctor for their condition can be a challenge.

Through philanthropic giving from Greenville Health System (GHS) donors, a nurse navigator program was launched in 2014 to help patients, family members and caregivers "navigate" their way to timely, high-quality care. Nurse navigators focus on clinical aspects of patient care, in addition to providing clinical support and education, and perform these services:

- Help patients, their family and caregivers understand the diagnosis, treatment options and resources available using evidence-based guidelines

**Dr. Revilla and nurse practitioner Faye Blaszak provide patient care at our Neuroscience office.**



**Left: GHS neurologists offer comprehensive clinical care at our Neuroscience office, located on the system's Patewood Medical Campus.**

**Right: Our highly trained inpatient team of physicians and clinical staff review best care approaches for stroke and other neurologic disorders.**



- Improve patient access to care by removing healthcare barriers
- Provide prompt, reliable access to diagnostic testing
- Collaborate with physicians to improve prevention and early detection efforts through community education forums and screenings
- Offer guidance on selecting a specialty physician or surgeon, when needed
- Visit patients while in the hospital or in recovery, follow-up after discharge if necessary and perhaps follow patients involved in support groups

“The addition of a nurse navigator to the Movement Disorders Program, made possible by the generosity of our donors, brings world-class care to our community. We are grateful for the support to make this project come to fruition,” said Fredy J. Revilla, MD.

On June 1, the GHS Neurological Institute was renamed the GHS Neuroscience Institute, which reflects the strong collaboration between Neurology and Neurosurgery across 10 clinical offerings:

- Spine Program (new)
- Brain Tumor Center
- Neurotrauma Program
- Epilepsy Program
- Movement Disorders Program
- Stroke Center
- Multiple Sclerosis Program
- Headache Program
- Neuromuscular Disorders
- Memory Health Program

Charles Kanos, MD, serves as the surgical director of the institute. Dr. Kanos is a fellowship-trained neurosurgeon with expertise in both spine and neurologic cases; he is a member of Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society. Dr. Revilla continues his role as medical director. He specializes in neurology, is a Fellow of the American Neurological Association and the American Academy of Neurology, and was nominated for “Best Doctors in America.”



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