

Epilepsy

The Rancho Los Amigos Epilepsy Center was established in 2007 with the creation of the first and only Epilepsy Monitoring Unit in the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services (DHS), and has now evolved into the central referral site for epilepsy monitoring for the DHS.

Rancho has the distinction of being the first public hospital in the nation to achieve Level 4 [National Association of Epilepsy Centers](#) accreditation. Level 4 is achieved when a facility has “the professional expertise and facilities to provide the highest level medical and surgical evaluation and treatment for patients with complex epilepsy.”

Rancho has demonstrated that highly advanced levels of care are possible in spite of the limited resources of a public hospital. A key factor enabling this accomplishment was being a major partner in the [University of Southern California \(USC\) Epilepsy Care Consortium](#), a patient- centered ecosystem comprising independent epilepsy centers collaborating in a care partnership. The consortium shares expertise and maximizes the resources and capabilities of each partner center.

The mission of the Rancho Epilepsy Center is to provide the highest level of epilepsy care and expertise to residents of Los Angeles County who rely on the safety-net health system. We are aligned with Rancho’s mission to restore health, and one-half to two-thirds of patients who have received resective epilepsy surgery have become seizure-free. We work with our patients to help rebuild lives through our epilepsy rehabilitation program at Rancho which addresses whole person care, working to improve quality of life and increase vocational and occupational opportunities. Our epilepsy program revitalizes hope, in that our patients with epilepsy are no longer defined by illness and its limitations. We strive to revitalize hope and that our patients with epilepsy are no longer defined by their illness and its limitations.

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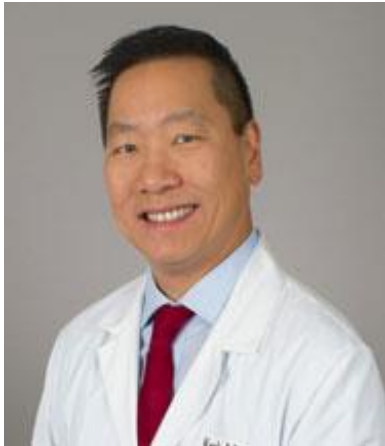
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