

The Rush Muscular Dystrophy Association Care Center Clinic

Providers at the Rush Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) Care Center Clinic offer comprehensive, coordinated care for patients with muscular dystrophy (MD) and other neuromuscular diseases.

Patients with MD who are living longer and enjoying a greater quality of life nevertheless require complex care that is focused on preventing complications from muscular wasting, respiratory compromise and decreased mobility. Our care encompasses a broad range of specialties including neuromuscular medicine and pulmonology; genetic counseling; social work; speech, occupational and physical therapy; nutrition counseling and orthotics.

Rush also focuses on helping pediatric, adolescent and young adult patients seamlessly transition to adult care.

We provide our patients with the latest treatment options for neuromuscular diseases, including gene therapy for spinal muscular disease and enzyme replacement therapy for Pompe disease. In addition, we actively participate in clinical and drug trials that expand the available therapies for our patients.

Why refer your patients here?



Nationally recognized expertise: The neurology and neurosurgery programs at Rush were ranked No. 4 in the nation and best in the Midwest by *U.S. News & World Report*.

Muscular dystrophy care center: The MDA has named Rush an MDA Care Center. According to MDA, care centers offer a higher level of care and medical research for muscular dystrophy. Rush also offers specialized pediatric muscular dystrophy care.

Exemplary EMG lab: Our electromyography (EMG) lab has received Accreditation with Exemplary Status, the highest level of accreditation given by the American Association of Neuromuscular & Electrodiagnostic Medicine.

Conditions we treat

- Hereditary neuropathies
- Hereditary spastic paraplegia
- Inflammatory myopathy
- Lambert-Eaton myasthenic syndrome
- Muscular dystrophy
- Myasthenia gravis
- Pompe disease
- Spinal muscular atrophy

Tests

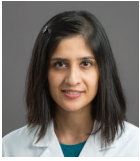
- Electromyography (EMG) and nerve conduction study
- Genetic testing
- Single fiber EMG
- Skin biopsies for small fiber and autonomic neuropathy
- Muscle and nerve biopsy

Treatments

- Assessment for orthotics, wheelchair and communication devices
- Botulinum injections for spasticity and sialorrhea
- Enzyme replacement therapy
- Evaluation for non-invasive ventilation
- Gene therapy

Our team

Neuromuscular medicine



Rabia Malik, MD

Director, Rush Muscular Dystrophy Association Care Center Clinic
Board certifications: Clinical neurophysiology, Neurology



Ryan Jacobson, MD

Board certifications: Neurology, Neuromuscular medicine



Madhu Soni, MD

Board certifications: Clinical neurophysiology, Neurology,
Neuromuscular medicine

Pulmonology



Sara Mirza, MD, MS

Board certifications: Critical care medicine, Pulmonary disease

Locations

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**To refer patients or
request a consult,
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muscular-dystrophy](https://rush.edu/conditions/muscular-dystrophy)



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