

Wichita ALS Clinic in partnership with Neurology Consultants of Kansas



Neurologist: This physician is the primary ALS consultant, one who will provide an expert evaluation of your neurologic function, make a diagnosis and monitor the long-term course of the disease. The neurologist will ensure that you receive the specialized care you and your caregiver require and work with your primary care physician to keep him or her informed of your current treatment and care.



David R. Mayans, M.D.
Neurology Consultants of Kansas

Dr. Mayans attended the University of Kansas for medical school with two years in Kansas City and the final two years in Wichita. Dr. Mayans attended Wake Forest University for his neurology residency. He was named Neurology Resident Teacher of the Year in 2010 and Chief Resident in 2012. He completed a fellowship in Neuromuscular Medicine and Clinical Neurophysiology at Wake Forest before deciding to return home, and gladly took the opportunity to join Neurology Consultants of Kansas.



Robert J. Murphy, M.D.
Neurology Consultants of Kansas

Dr. Murphy received his medical degree at the University of Kansas Medical Center in 2012. He completed his residency in neurology at the University of Kansas Medical Center Department of Neurology in 2016, as well as a fellowship in clinical neurophysiology at the same institution in 2017. He then moved to Wichita to join Neurology Consultants of Kansas. As a native Kansan, he appreciates being able to expand neurologic and neuromuscular care in the region.

Nurse: The role of the nurse is to monitor each patient's health by obtaining and recording vital signs at every clinic appointment. The nurse also offers support to patients and families by addressing clinical needs and facilitating orders as recommended by the neurologist. The nurse collaborates with the clinic team to optimize patient's comfort and understanding of treatment recommendations.



Kaylee Hall-McDaniel, RN, BSN
Home Health and Hospice of Kansas

Kaylee graduated with her bachelors degree in nursing from Fort Hays State University in Hays, Kansas. She has been a RN case manager for Home Health and Hospice of Kansas for the last 2 years, bringing with her 9 years of nursing experience in various roles, including critical care, palliative and obstetric nursing.

The ALS Association Mid-America Chapter Liaison: The role of the liaison is to provide assistance to the patients and to educate patients and their families about the services The ALS Association Mid-America Chapter has to offer. The chapter liaison also functions as a liaison between the treatment center staff and the patients as needed.



Kim Harber, LMSW, ALS Navigator
The ALS Association Mid-America Chapter

Kim graduated from The University of Kansas with a masters degree in social work in 2014. She has worked as a crisis clinician at a community mental health center, rural health coordinator at the VA, and as a targeted case manager for adults with disabilities. She has been with The ALS Association Mid-America Chapter since 2019.

Respiratory Therapist: The role of the respiratory therapist is to monitor lung function. This is done by measuring the strength of respiratory muscles through evaluation of your Forced Vital Capacity and Tidal Volume to assess for early signs of respiratory weakness. The respiratory therapist is also available to answer questions regarding BiPAP concerns or issues



Bill Wiggins, RT
Broadway Home Medical

Bill went to San Diego State University and Labette Community College. He has been a Respiratory Therapist for over 20 years.

Speech Pathologists (SLP): The role of the speech pathologist is to assist with communication and swallowing issues. This is done by evaluating the muscles involved with speech and swallowing. The speech pathologist will provide suggestions on techniques to maintain safety with swallowing and communication devices that may be of assistance to you.



Paulette Claeys MA CCC-SLP, CDP
Stay Home Solutions for Seniors, LLC

Paulette earned her Masters Degree in Speech-Language Pathology in 2001 from Wichita State University. Most of her experience has been working with adults in the medical setting with an emphasis in Neurology, to include; Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, Huntington's Disease, Parkinson's Disease, Multiple Sclerosis, Cerebral Vascular Accidents, and Dementia. She helps her clients with cognition, swallowing and communication while providing patient and family education. She is proficient with evaluations and treatments for Augmentative and Alternative Communication devices and funding. Her passion for helping others is apparent by her actions.

Physical Therapist: The role of the physical therapist is to help you maintain mobility for as long as possible. The physical therapist can offer suggestions on active and passive range of motion exercises, ways for you to transfer safely, and equipment such as canes, walkers and wheelchairs to assist you with mobility.



Christina Ashbrook, DPT
Director of Clinical Education Department of Physical Therapy
Wichita State University
Stay Home Solutions for Seniors, LLC

Christina received a clinical doctorate in Physical Therapy from Wichita State University in 2010. She has spent most of her career working with patients diagnosed with neurological conditions in a variety of settings. She teaches neuromuscular intervention courses for Wichita State and directs clinical education courses. Her current clinical work consists of treatment of adults with neurological conditions in mobile outpatient or inpatient rehab/acute care. She also volunteers to provide PT services along with WSU students at Guadalupe Clinic. She loves spending time with her husband, 3 children, and goldendoodle.

Occupational Therapist: The role of the occupational therapist is to help you maintain your ability to perform activities of daily living. This could include bathing, getting dressed, eating, etc. The occupational therapist provides you with techniques and equipment to make your everyday activities as easy as possible and to help you maintain your independence and safety.



Emily Nurnberg, OT
Stay Home Solutions for Seniors, LLC

Emily has been a practicing Occupational Therapist for 21 years in skilled nursing, home health and acute hospital settings. Emily received a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Iowa State University in 1997 and a Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy in 2001 from Rockhurst University. Emily also has a specialty certification as a lymphedema therapist since 2016 and a certified dementia practitioner since 2021. She has a true concern for every client's physical, emotional and spiritual well being and quality of life.

ATP (Assistive Technology Professional): The role of a certified ATP has demonstrated competence in analyzing the needs of consumers with disabilities, assisting in the selection of appropriate assistive technology for the consumer's needs, and providing training in the use of the device.



Jeff Harbert, ATP, CRTS
Numotion Wichita

Jeff is an ATP with Numotion and has been in the Wichita area for the last 11 years. Jeff has over 20 years of experience in CRT, starting in the field of Complex Rehab Technology in 2000. He became an ATP in 2003 and is a Certified Complex Rehab Technology Supplier. Jeff participates in multiple seating clinics in the Wichita area with experience with the pediatric population, as well as working with individuals with neurological disorders, spinal cord injuries, as well as the geriatric populations.