

# Birmingham VA Medical Center (BVAMC) Parkinson's Disease Care Options

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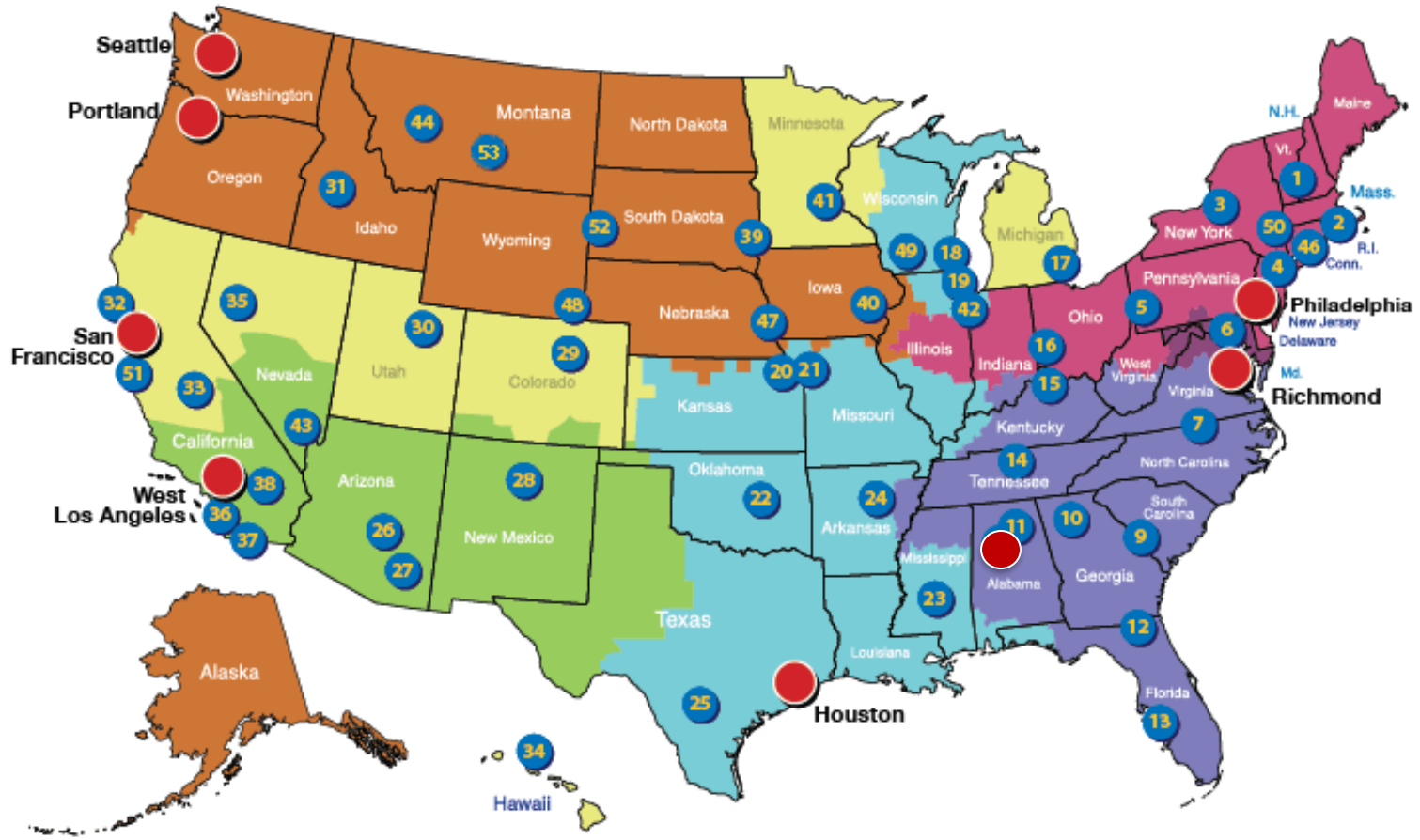
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# Neurodegenerative Diseases Team

- **Cognitive Care**
  - Alzheimer's Disease
  - Dementias
- **Neuro-Oncology**
  - Benign tumors
  - Malignant tumors
- **Movement Disorders**
  - Essential Tremor
  - Huntington's Disease
  - Parkinsonism
  - Parkinson's Disease
  - Tardive Dyskinesias





- ***BVAMC – Certified PADRECC Associated Site***
  - Multidisciplinary Team-Based Care
  - Evidenced-Based Practice
  - Collaboration with Neurosurgery
  - Supportive Care for Longterm Needs



**PADRECC Service Areas**

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|---|------------------|--|-------------------------------|
|  | Portland/Seattle |  | Richmond                      |
|  | San Francisco    |  | Richmond/Philadelphia Overlap |
|  | West Los Angeles |  | Philadelphia                  |
|  | Houston          |  |                               |

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# Multidisciplinary Care Team

- 3 Movement Disorders Neurologists
- 1 Movement Disorders Trained Nurse Practitioner
- Specialty Clinical Pharmacy Practitioner
- RN Care Coordinator
- Dedicated Neurology Licensed Clinical Social Workers

# PD-Specific Care Available at Birmingham VA

- **Medications**

- Azilect, Nuplazid, Stalevo, Neupro patch, Exelon patch **ALL** readily available from VA pharmacy
- Requires twice a year clinic visit in movement disorders clinic at VA for payment/coverage of medications

- **Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS)**

- Entire process (neuropsych testing, MRI's, surgical implantation, followup DBS programming) all available at Birmingham VA
- If already implanted at UAB, we can manage your stimulator and battery replacements at Birmingham VA

# PD-Specific Care Available at Birmingham VA

- **Devices for Advanced Disease**

- Unlike private sector, Cala kIQ is available and readily covered for PD at Birmingham VA
  - Training and replacement bands all available from VA
- Advanced Disease: DUOPA available and working to obtain VYALEV™ soon



# PD and Cala KIQ





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# PD-Specific Care Available at Birmingham VA

- **Botulinum toxin (Botox) injections**
  - Dystonia of PD or Parkinson's Disease related drooling (sialorrhea)
- **Assistive Devices:** U-step walkers, Hoyer Lifts, & other DME needs



# Interdisciplinary Care

- ***Access to certified LSVT LOUD® & LSVT BIG® therapists***
  - Occupational Therapy
  - Physical Therapy
  - Speech Therapy

# Other VA Resources

- **Beneficiary Travel**
- **Home modifications**
- **VA Caregiver Support Program**
- **Home Based Primary Care**
- **Geriatric Specialty Clinic**
  - Fall Prevention Clinic
  - Contenance Clinic

# *How do I access these VA resources?*

- **Veteran Benefits Administration**
  - **Appointed Veteran Services Officers (VSOs)**
    - Service-connected disability
- **Primary Care Providers**
  - Referral to Neurology for evaluation
- **VA Patient Portal**



# Coming Soon

- **Access to the latest advances in treatment**
  - Lecanemab (LEQEMBI®) for Mild Stage Alzheimer's Disease
  - VYALEV™ (foscarnidopa/foslevodopa) for Parkinson's Disease



# *Thank you!*

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