



Brain Tumor Specialists

Where complex meets compassion

If you or someone you love is diagnosed with a brain tumor, you'll want a specialized team that will provide the complete spectrum of care you will need from diagnosis to treatment. From first visit to tumor removal and recovery, the brain tumor team at The University of Kansas Health System will be your most valuable resource.

A brain tumor board of specialists, including neurosurgeons, neuro-oncologists neuropathologists, radiation oncologists and others, gathers regularly. These experts work together in the meeting to discuss the details of each case and set out a specific plan of care for each patient.



David Akhavan, MD
Radiation oncology



Paul Camarata, MD
Neurosurgery



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Ellen Germinder, RN
Nurse navigator,
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Nurse navigator,
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Tawnya Davis, LMSW
Social work case manager

Care team by specialty

Neurosurgery

The largest, most specialized team of neurosurgeons in the region provides comprehensive treatment for the most complex cancerous and noncancerous brain tumors. You can count on their expertise when surgery is the best option for treatment.

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Neuro-oncology

If your brain tumor is cancerous, your neuro-oncology team will work much like the quarterback on a football team, coordinating with the rest of your care team to ensure they work together most effectively. Your neuro-oncologist will work with specialists from neurosurgery, neuropathology and radiation oncology to identify all possible treatment options.

Andrew Rodriguez, MD
Tolga Tuncer, MD
Carolyn Cook, APRN
Carolina McCalmon, PA

Radiation oncology

The role of the radiation oncologist is to target any remaining cancer cells in the tumor cavity to prevent recurrence. Proton therapy is one treatment that may be used to destroy cancer cells and is available only at select cancer centers. At The University of Kansas Cancer Centers Proton Therapy Center, you will receive top-of-the-line care from a powerhouse team of proton experts unparalleled in the region.

David Akhavan, MD
Ronny Rotondo, MD
Fen Wang, MD

Nurse navigation

The nurse navigator will be with you through every step of your journey to coordinate your care. They will gather your medical information and imaging that has been completed, schedule a consultation with our specialists and work with physicians and all of your care team during your diagnosis and treatment.

Ellen Germinder, RN, brain tumor navigator
Meredith Paulette, RN, brain tumor navigator

Social work case management

Our dedicated brain tumor social work specialist is here to help you find the support and assistance you need as you adjust to your diagnosis, including counseling, community resources and planning for discharge after treatment.

Tawnya Davis, LMSW

Locations

Kansas City, Kansas

The University of Kansas Hospital
Cambridge Tower A
3825 Cambridge St.
Kansas City, KS 66160

Medical Pavilion
2000 Olathe Blvd., Level 3, Suite E
Kansas City, KS 66160

Proton Therapy Center
Adjacent to the Richard and Annette Bloch
Radiation Oncology Pavilion
4001 Rainbow Blvd.
Kansas City, KS 66160

Westwood, Kansas

Richard and Annette Bloch Cancer Care Pavilion
2650 Shawnee Mission Parkway
Westwood, KS 66205

For more information or to schedule a second opinion consultation

Brain tumor nurse navigator: **913-588-3671**

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