

# How to be seen?

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## For HD Medical Assessments, Diagnosis and Intervention

If you or a loved one has been diagnosed with HD or is having symptoms you feel are HD related you are welcome to be evaluated by our HD Clinical Team.

### *New Patients with Insurance*

If you have insurance, and would like your insurance to pay for your medical visit, you will need to contact your Primary Care Provider (General Practitioner) and ask to have a referral sent to UC Davis Medical Center for specialized care of HD. The referral should be sent from your doctor to:

- UC Davis Medical Center, Neurology Clinic, HD Clinic  
Dr. Vicki Wheelock, Movement Disorders Specialist  
Dr. Alexandra Duffy, Movement Disorders Specialist  
Telephone: 800-482-3284  
Fax: 916-734-7424

### *New Patients without Insurance*

If you do not have insurance there are a few options:

1. You can apply for Genetically Handicapped Persons Program (GHPP) which would cover an initial visit to our clinic for medical evaluation and diagnosis. Once a HD diagnosis is made you would be eligible for ongoing medical care through the GHPP program.
  - GHPP is a State funded insurance program for person with genetic illness (of which HD is listed). For more information please visit the GHPP website at: <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/ghpp/Pages/default.aspx> or contact Lisa Kjer-Mooney, LCSW at 916-734-6277.
2. Another option is to pay privately for a medical evaluation at our clinic. Initial evaluations will require a \$200 deposit at the time of your first appointment. The remainder of the cost would be billed to you after the visit. Please contact Lisa Mooney, LCSW (916) 734-6277 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

## For At-Risk Individuals

If you or a loved one has a family history of HD and wants to find out his/her gene status and does not currently have symptoms related to HD, we have an anonymous genetic testing program. If you are interested in this program, please contact Lisa Mooney, Social Worker at (916) 734-6277. More written information is also available on the Genetics page on our website: <https://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/huntingtons/genetics.html>

## For Research Opportunities and Clinical Trials

The HDSA Center of Excellence at UC Davis Medical Center has a number of HD Clinical Trials and Observational Studies that you may be interested in participating in. Studies and Clinical Trials are free to participate in and do not require you to have or receive insurance authorization. Research is NOT a substitute for medical evaluations from a regular doctor familiar with you. For more information about our research opportunities please contact Amanda Martin, Research Coordinator at (916) 734-3541. For additional written information about HD Research and Clinical Trials please visit the Clinical Research page on our website: <https://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/huntingtons/research.html>