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Training Programs Achieve UCNS Accreditation

Minneapolis, MN, June 6, 2017 - The United Council for Neurologic Subspecialties (UCNS) is pleased to announce the names of 12 newly accredited UCNS fellowship training programs. Programs attaining UCNS accreditation status offer the core curriculum established by the subspecialty and meet required quality standards established by UCNS.

Accreditation is a voluntary process of evaluation and peer review based on UCNS accreditation standards. Fellows who complete a UCNS-accredited program meet the training eligibility requirements to apply for certification in the subspecialty. There are now **187 UCNS-accredited training programs** in the **nine UCNS-recognized neurologic subspecialties**. UCNS congratulates the following programs and their program directors in achieving UCNS accreditation effective June 1, 2017:

Program	Program Director
<i>Geriatric Neurology</i>	
St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center	Marwan Sabbagh, MD
<i>Headache Medicine</i>	
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia	Christina Szperka, MD
New York University	Mia Minen, MD, MPH
University of Arizona	Wendi Kulin, MD, MS
University of Rochester Medical Center	Raissa Villanueva, MD, MPH
<i>Neurocritical Care</i>	
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center	Myles Boone, MD
Boston Medical Center	Courtney Takahashi, MD
University of Florida	Katharina Busl, MD
University of Rochester Medical Center	Debra Roberts, MD, PhD
University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston	Alok Dabi, MD
<i>Neuro-oncology</i>	
Mayo Clinic, Rochester	Joon Uhm, MD
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center	Jan Drappatz, MD

Training programs interested in applying for accreditation will find application and program requirement information for each subspecialty under “Accreditation” at UCNS.org. Applications received by the December 1, 2017 deadline will be reviewed for accreditation in the spring of 2018.

ABOUT UCNS

The United Council for Neurologic Subspecialties is a 501(c)6 nonprofit organization with a goal of enhancing the quality of patient care by accrediting physician training programs that meet the quality standards set by the UCNS and awarding certification to physicians who demonstrate their knowledge in one or more of the nine UCNS neurologic subspecialty areas. There are currently 2,701 [UCNS-certified physicians](#) and 187 [accredited fellowship training programs](#) across nine neurologic subspecialty areas.

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