



Carle Spine Institute

A SPINE CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

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A REGIONAL CENTER FOR BACK AND NECK CARE

Carle Spine Institute is a regional spine center which emphasizes a non-surgical approach to back and neck pain. Carle Spine Institute includes the expertise of physical medicine & rehabilitation physicians and physical therapists — all specialized in spine. In addition, the clinic has consulting spine surgeons who are fellowship-trained in spine.



ZEESHAN AHMAD, M.D.

Fellowship-Trained, Board-Certified Physiatrist

Dr. Ahmad is a board-certified, fellowship-trained physical medicine and rehabilitation (PM&R) specialist. He is successful at helping patients return to activity nonsurgically. Dr. Ahmad completed a three-year fellowship in orthopedic, musculoskeletal and sports medicine with specific experience and training in interventional pain management at Portner Orthopedic Rehabilitation, in Honolulu, Hawaii. He did a four-year residency in PM&R at Louisiana State University in New Orleans. Dr. Ahmad has also served as an editor of *Rehab in Review*, a monthly publication produced in collaboration with Harvard Medical School.



JAMES J. HARMS, M.D.

Board-Certified Orthopedic Surgeon, Fellowship-Trained in Spine

Dr. Harms is a fellowship-trained, board-certified orthopedic spine surgeon. Dr. Harms has been an active spine specialist at Carle for almost 25 years. Dr. Harms also acts as a professor in the department of surgery at the University of Illinois. Dr. Harms completed a fellowship in spine surgery at St. Luke's Hospital, Shriners' Hospital and the University of Illinois Hospital.



ROBERT K. HURFORD, JR., M.D., PH.D.

Fellowship-Trained Spine Surgeon

Dr. Hurford is a fellowship-trained spine surgeon at Carle Spine Institute specializing in back and neck problems. Dr. Hurford completed his fellowship at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri. After graduating with honors from Harvard College with an A.B. in biochemical sciences, Dr. Hurford earned his M.D. and Ph.D. at the prestigious Harvard Medical School in Boston. Dr. Hurford finished the Harvard Combined Orthopedic Surgery Residency Program after completing a surgical internship at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.



VICTORIA J. JOHNSON, M.D.

Board-Certified Physiatrist

Dr. Johnson specializes in the non-surgical treatment of neck and back pain at Carle Spine Institute. She has practiced physical medicine and rehabilitation at Carle Clinic for more than 10 years. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and two graduate degrees at Indiana University. Dr. Johnson received her medical degree at the University of Texas-Southwestern Medical School in Dallas, Texas. She completed two years of training in internal medicine at Presbyterian Hospital of Dallas and three years of training in physical medicine and rehabilitation at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas.



WALKER LEE ROBINSON, M.D.

Fellowship-Trained, Board-Certified Neurosurgeon

Dr. Robinson is a fellowship-trained, board-certified neurosurgeon at Carle Spine Institute. Before joining Carle Spine Institute, he served as Head of the Division of Neurological Surgery at the Carle Clinic Association and Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana, Illinois. Dr. Robinson's extensive training and research pursuits have given him a vast knowledge of neurosurgery, especially as it relates to spine. Dr. Robinson has received extensive education for years since graduating from medical school, including courses at Harvard University and Northwestern University.



CHARLES J. WRIGHT, M.D.

Board-Certified Neurological Surgeon

Dr. Wright is a board-certified neurological surgeon at Carle Spine Institute. Before joining Carle Spine Institute, Dr. Wright served as Medical Director of Neurological Trauma in the ICU at St. Anthony Medical Center and as an assistant clinical professor of medicine at the University of Illinois College of Medicine for 12 years. He has also been Chairman of the Neurosciences Institute Leadership Council at St. Anthony Medical Center. Dr. Wright has additional experience as an attending neurological surgeon in a private practice in Rockford, Illinois, and at a U.S. Air Force Reserve on Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio.