

MEET OUR TEAM

At the UW Medicine Memory and Brain Wellness Center, our multidisciplinary team specializes in the care of patients with neurodegenerative disorders and advancing innovative treatments for these conditions. The center consists of experienced and skilled neurologists, psychiatrists, neuropsychologists, geriatricians, social workers and nurse practitioners who collaborate on the diagnosis and treatment of patients with neurodegenerative disorders.



BRENNA CHOLERTON, Ph.D.

UW acting assistant professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences

Specialties: neuropsychology, aging and cognition, mild cognitive impairment, Alzheimer's disease and other dementias, cognition and Parkinson's disease

Research interests: Alzheimer's disease, mild cognitive impairment, cognitive functioning in Parkinson's disease



KIMIKO DOMOTO-REILLY, M.D., M.M.Sc.

UW assistant professor of neurology

Board-certified in neurology and behavioral neurology

Specialties: frontotemporal dementia, primary progressive aphasia, corticobasal syndrome, progressive supranuclear palsy, posterior cortical atrophy

Research interests: brain imaging and clinicopathologic correlation of focal neurodegenerative diseases affecting language and cognition



SHAUNE M. DEMERS, M.D.

UW assistant professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences

Board-certified in psychiatry and psychosomatic medicine

Specialties: diagnosis and management of neurocognitive disorders, including Alzheimer's disease, dementia with Lewy bodies, frontotemporal dementia, neuropsychiatric complications of these diseases

Research interests: neurodegenerative disorders, interface between medical and psychiatric illness, palliative medicine, end-of-life issues



THOMAS J. GRABOWSKI, M.D.

UW professor of radiology and neurology

Board-certified in neurology

Specialties: Alzheimer's disease, including amnesic mild cognitive impairment and dementia, vascular dementia, frontotemporal dementia, neurodegenerative diseases causing cognitive impairment

Research interests: organization of language and semantic memory in the brain, using functional brain imaging to detect early signs of degenerative disease

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For referral or appointment

Call the UW Medicine Contact Center at 206.520.5000.



ANGELA J. HANSON, M.D.

UW acting instructor of medicine
Board-certified in internal medicine
and geriatrics

Specialties: geriatrics

Research interests: dietary risk factors
for dementia, dementia prevention

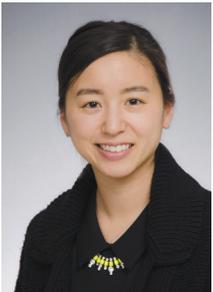


**ANDREW MCCORMICK, Ph.D.,
M.S.W.**

Social worker

Specialties: dementia's impact on the
family, palliative care, ethics in
medical decision making

Interests: ethical concerns in
end-of-life decisions, improving social
work interventions with families



MICHELLE S. KIM, Ph.D.

UW assistant professor of neurology

Specialties: neuropsychology, epilepsy,
memory disorders, multicultural evaluations

Research interests: multicultural issues in
neuropsychological testing, maternal
outcomes, neurodevelopmental effects of
antiepileptic drugs



ELLEN PARAS

Patient services specialist

Specialties: increasing levels of
engagement and participation in
patients with dementia

Interests: later in life patient and
family care



RUTH KOHEN, M.D.

UW associate professor of psychiatry and
behavioral sciences

Board-certified in psychiatry and geriatric
psychiatry

Specialties: Alzheimer's disease, frontotemporal
dementia, vascular dementia, mild neurocognitive
impairment, age-related changes in memory

Research interests: genetics and gene expression
analysis in psychiatric illness, gene-environment
and gene-treatment interactions



VAISHALI S. PHATAK, Ph.D.

UW assistant professor of neurology

Board-certified in clinical
neuropsychology

Specialties: neuropsychology

Research interests: behavioral
interventions in mild cognitive
impairment, healthy aging, semantic
memory, language network



**ELISABETH LINDLEY, M.N.,
A.R.N.P.**

Nurse practitioner

Specialties: dementia, Alzheimer's
disease, vascular dementia, fronto-
temporal degeneration, dementia with
Lewy body disease, mild cognitive
impairment, geriatrics and gerontology

Interests: working in partnership with
patients and families to promote health
and well-being