Welcome to Chiari CARE!

Chiari CARE (Chiari and Related Etiologies) hosted through the Weill Cornell Brain and Spine Center offers evaluation and treatment for individuals with Chiari Malformation and other complex congenital malformations of the central nervous system. Our patients with Chiari Malformation, tethered cord, syringomyelia, basilar invagination, craniocervical instability, and idiopathic intracranial hypertension who require multidisciplinary care will be able to utilize our comprehensive care program and website to centralize their care.

We will provide you with our comprehensive neurologic evaluation and treatment plan across multiple disciplines, which includes surgical and non-surgical therapies that focus on health promotion and well-being. Our services include state of the art imaging centers with specific protocols for patients with Chiari Malformations, other disorders of cerebral spinal fluid flow, and disorders of the cranio-cervical junction. We offer a team of world-class surgeons who are experts in treating these conditions. However, our approach goes beyond surgery, as it may not be right for you, or necessary in every patient we evaluate.

The goal of Chiari CARE revolves around your individualized medical and surgical goals. There are many specialists involved with the complex care that is often required for those who live with and experience symptoms related to Chiari Malformation. Evaluation and treatment here may also involve neurology, radiology, pain management, ophthalmology, neuro-ophthalmology, ENT, sleep medicine, nutrition, neuropsychology, genetics and/or immunology. We pride ourselves in taking a dynamic centralized approach to provide you with our neurosurgical expertise but more importantly coordinate care with other qualified physicians. We also recognize that there is a lot that is not definitively known about Chiari and many of its associated disorders. Therefore, we are part of national Chiari clinical trials and have a growing list of internal clinical studies through which we continue to learn about and improve our care for our patients.

The Chiari CARE team at the Weill Cornell Brain and Spine Center is eager to work with you to help manage and collaborate medical care that is best for you and your needs. We incorporate our knowledge, determination, and patience, towards you and your multidisciplinary needs in order to provide you with the best quality care that you deserve. While we prefer a thorough and personalized visit to our offices in New York, we also provide video visits or phone consultations if traveling to New York is not an option at this time. We look forward to collaborating with you on your health.

Sincerely,

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