Once a diagnosis is obtained, patients receive a personalized treatment plan focused on reducing disability and maximizing quality of life.

The combination of care options is unique, from prescription medicines to participating in clinical trials, and undergoing state-of-the-art neurosurgery. Exercise and physical therapy remain a priority.

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CONTINUE TO CHANGE LIVES AND YIELD BREAKTHROUGHS.

The Parkinson’s Disease and Movement Disorders Center is working to deliver tangible improvements in patients’ lives every day.
Innovations and research have led to new treatments for various neurological conditions. Donor support has been crucial in advancing these treatments. SHARI FINSILVER, a Parkinson's disease patient, provides a personal example of the impact of these innovations.

**From Suffering to Support**

“...I noticed that I couldn’t draw a straight line or paint like other children in art class. I had a milder tremor in my head and voice. I could even hide it. That is, until I discovered that everyday tasks were now possible – from cooking to taking off my shoes...”

Shari Finsilver, a member and former Chair of the Parkinson’s Disease and Movement Disorders Center, received deep brain stimulation (DBS) surgery, transforming her life. The combination of donor contributions with committed professionals has made the following possible:

1. **Clinical Trials Support Fund** - $50K-$100K/CLINICAL TRIAL
   - Support of innovative and translational clinical trials for patients needing new treatment options.

2. **Telemedicine and Offsite Care** - $50K-$100K EXPENDABLE
   - To offset costs for staffing a nurse practitioner to serve as program coordinator to establish alliances, patient outreach and educational programs, and arrange statewide clinical and research consultations.

3. **Fellowship** - $75K/YEAR EXPENDABLE
   - Provides 1-2 years of training in clinical research for post-residency physicians interested in Parkinson’s disease and other movement disorders.

4. **Exercise & Physical Therapy** - $100K EXPENDABLE
   - An on-site program to provide increased access to critical exercise and physical therapy programs necessary to maintain strength and quality of life.

5. **Neurorestorative Therapy Research** - $50K/EXPENDABLE OVER 3 YEARS
   - Expanding current research into genetic approaches to treat Parkinson’s disease, essential tremor and other movement disorders.

6. **Neurosciences Research Lab** - $50K EXPENDABLE
   - To secure an expanded, dedicated research space, staffing and infrastructure.

7. **Identifying New Biomarker Findings and Genetic Markers**
   - To understand the cause of Parkinson’s disease and how it progresses.

8. **The First in Michigan**
   - To place DBS electrodes using interoperative magnetic resonance imaging.

9. **The First in Michigan (and Third in the World)**
   - To perform microelectrode-guided deep brain stimulation (DBS) electrodes using interoperative magnetic resonance imaging.

You can make a difference in the quality of life for those receiving care at the Parkinson’s Disease and Movement Disorders Center. Donations may be earmarked to your particular area of interest. Thank you for considering a philanthropic gift that yields breakthroughs and changes lives.

**To Help Support Future Advancements**

**To Learn More About How You Can Make a Difference**

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