

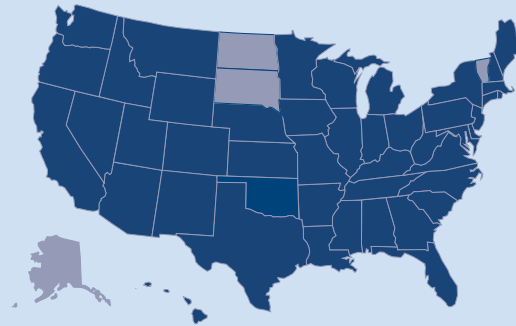
# National Association of Epilepsy Centers

**There's hope** for people whose seizures are not well-controlled or who have side effects from medications.

Epilepsy centers provide a comprehensive team approach to the diagnosis and treatment of epilepsy. A patient-oriented team will typically include epileptologists (neurologists with expertise in treating seizures), neurosurgeons, neuropsychologists, nurse specialists, technologists, social workers, and others with training and experience in epilepsy.

## Are you:

- Continuing to have seizures despite treatment for more than one year?
- Continuing to have seizures despite treatment with two different medications?
- Experiencing unacceptable side effects?
- Pregnant or want to become pregnant?



## Epilepsy centers can help with:

**Advanced testing** to confirm epilepsy diagnosis or find another cause for symptoms.

A team approach to **coexisting medical conditions** including depression, learning disabilities, anxiety, and more.

**Non-medication therapies** including epilepsy surgery, the ketogenic diet, and neurostimulators.

Seizures secondary to **genetic disorders** or other **rare epilepsies**.

Education about effects of epilepsy and seizure medications on **pregnancy and the developing baby**.

Information about **clinical trials** of new experimental drugs or devices for seizures.

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For more information visit NAEC's website [naec-epilepsy.org](http://naec-epilepsy.org)

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Enter your zip code to find more than 225 Level 3 and 4 epilepsy centers in 46 states, District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

NAEC accredits two levels of specialized epilepsy centers:

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**Level 3 epilepsy centers** provide an interdisciplinary and comprehensive approach to the diagnosis and treatment of patients with epilepsy. Many Level 3 centers offer non-invasive evaluation for epilepsy surgery and implantation of devices.

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**Level 4 epilepsy centers** serve as regional and/or national referral facilities for intractable epilepsy patients. The centers perform more complex forms of intensive neurodiagnostic monitoring and an array medical, surgical, and neuropsychological treatment. Many Level 4 centers are actively involved in clinical trials and are aware of trials in other centers, allowing for patient referrals.