

Memorial Physician Group

ADULT SPECIALTIES **Adult Congenital Heart Disease** Advanced Endoscopy & Gastroenterology Breast Medical Oncology Breast Surgical Oncology **Cardiac Surgery** Cardiology/Heart Failure & Transplant **Colon & Rectal Surgery Critical Care Medicine** Cystic Fibrosis Endocrine/Thyroid Surgery Endocrinology Family Medicine **General & Bariatric Surgery Geriatric Medicine** Head & Neck Oncology Hematology/Oncology Immunology & Allergy Infectious Disease **Integrative Medicine Internal Medicine** Interventional Cardiology Interventional Neuroradiology **Kidney Transplant Maternal Fetal Medicine** Neurology Neurosurgery Obesity Medicine Obstetrics & Gynecology (High-Risk) **Orthopaedic Surgery & Sports Medicine** Ótolaryngology **Palliative Care Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation** Psychiatry Pulmonology Surgical Oncology Thoracic Surgery Trauma Surgery Urologic Oncology/Urology Vascular Surgery Wound Care/Hyperbaric Medicine

PEDIATRIC SPECIALTIES

Adolescent Medicine Cardiac Surgery Cardiology/Heart Failure & Transplant Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Cleft & Craniofacial Center **Complex Gastroenterology Congenital Heart Disease** Endocrinology **General Surgery** Genetics Hematology/Oncology Immunology & Allergy Interventional Cardiology **Kidney Transplant** Nephrology Neurology Neurosurgery **Orthopaedic Surgery & Sports Medicine** Otolaryngology Palliative Care Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation Pulmonology Rheumatology **Trauma Surgery**

Many Minds. One Group.

David E. Smolar, MD, is a neurosurgeon at Memorial Neuroscience Institute, where he cares for patients with disorders of the brain and spine with a focus on complex spinal disorders. He specializes in complex neurosurgical spine surgery to treat degenerative spine disease, traumatic injuries of the spine, tumors and spinal deformity (scoliosis). He also performs surgeries to treat cranial tumors, subdural hematoma, Chiari malformation and traumatic brain injury.

When working with patients, Dr. Smolar identifies the specific problem — whether it's pain, weakness, spinal deformity or another condition — and then tailors a personalized treatment plan to alleviate their symptoms and return them to their normal lives. Nonsurgical and conservative treatment options are attempted prior to surgical care, when appropriate, with many patients able to recover without needing surgery.

Dr. Smolar is also involved in clinical research to expand the options and improve outcomes for patients. He trained at the University at Buffalo where he often implemented new technology and techniques for neurosurgical care to push the boundary of care. Research across the breadth of neurosurgery continues to be a part of his work, especially exploring spine-related and TBI-related treatments, with the hope of optimizing surgical techniques to improve patient outcomes, reduce complications and promote healing.



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 - Neurological Surgery, Complex Spine & Scoliosis University at Buffalo, Buffalo, New York, 2023
- Residency:
 - Neurological Surgery University at Buffalo, Buffalo, New York, 2022
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