

UMass HDSA COE Updates: October 2024

The UMass Huntington's Disease Society of America Center of Excellence (UMass HDSA COE) comprehensive care movement disorders clinic at UMass Chan and UMass Memorial Medical Center offers specialized care for Huntington's Disease patients and families.



"We are very excited to launch the first edition of our Huntington's Horizon newsletter! Special thanks to Sharon Velazquez for designing this. We hope this will be a source of information related to managing Huntington's disease, research updates and events. Our team is very passionate about care for HD patients and families, and we look forward to being a partner in your care!" - Anindita Deb, MD

Meet our UMass HDSA COE Team

Our team, led by Anindita Deb, MD, Director, UMass HDSA COE in partnership with Samuel Frank, MD, Director, HDSA COE at BIDMC provides a holistic approach to research and treatment opportunities.



Pictured from L to R:

Kelly Gaumond, RN, Nurse Navigator; Maria DeIVecchio, LCGC; Rajavi Sanghavi, MA, CCC-SLP; Anindita Deb, MD, HDSA COE Director, Sarah Crombie, LICSW, Elisabeth Larrivee, LICSW; Jennifer Gomez, HD Clinic

We are focused on serving families in the Central and Western MA region to meet the individualized needs associated with Huntington's Disease.

You will have a supportive team to best assess and address your needs and concerns. Our team includes a fellowship-trained Movement Disorders neurologist, genetic counselor, nurse navigator, speech therapist, and social worker. We aim to have members of the team present during your initial evaluation and throughout your journey with Huntington's Disease.

Our team also collaborates with other specialists and experts through consultation services for areas such as

Community News and Events:

This is the first edition of our HDSA COE Newsletter and with your feedback, we hope to continue to provide information related to HD resources and care in the region. In partnership with BIDMC-Lahey, we are organizing a virtual educational symposium for healthcare professionals across the state which we hope to hold in early 2025.

HD events to raise awareness and education for patients and families.

To learn more or become involved in local community events, click on the [Local HDSA Events](#) link or the [Education and Youth Day event in November 2024](#).



In 2024, UMass Huntington's Disease Society of America Center of Excellence (UMass HDSA COE) has received reaccreditation from the Huntington's Disease Society of America (HDSA) as a partner site to Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC).

Click the link to learn more about the [Huntington's Disease Society of America \(hdsa.org\)](https://hdsa.org).

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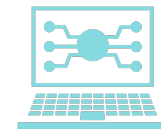
Contact Jen Gomez or Anindita Deb regarding patient referrals for consultation or co-management for Huntington's patients.

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