



4.7 ★★★★★

322 Ratings

## Michael T. Walsh, MD

Northwestern Medical Group

Primary Specialty

**Neurological Surgery**

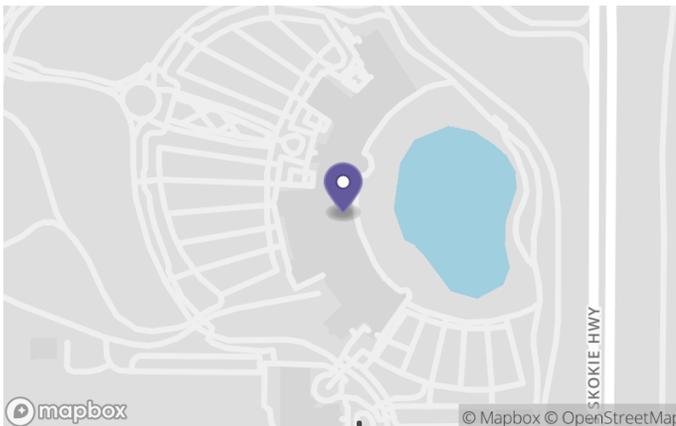
Secondary Specialties

**Skull Base Surgery**

● Accepts New Patients

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### Locations



#### Northwestern Medical Group - Neurosciences and Orthopaedics

1000 N Westmoreland Rd  
Level 3  
Lake Forest, IL 60045  
📍 27.98 mi

847.535.7271  
f 224.271.7826



#### Northwestern Medicine Neurosurgery Grayslake Outpatient Center

1475 E Belvidere Rd Ste 185  
Pavilion C  
Grayslake, IL 60030  
847.535.7271

📍 36.55 mi

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## Insurance Accepted

Insurance plans are subject to change. View insurance plans accepted at each hospital and by each NMHC physician group.

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## Practice Groups and Affiliations

Medical Group	Northwestern Medical Group
Physician Category	Northwestern Medicine Physician Network Northwestern Medicine Regional Medical Group
On Medical Staff At	Central DuPage Hospital Delnor Hospital Grayslake Ambulatory Surgery Center Huntley Hospital McHenry Hospital Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital Northwestern Memorial Hospital Woodstock Hospital

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## Education

Medical Education	MD, Indiana University School of Medicine - 2001
Internship	Ohio State University Hospital - 2002
Residency	University of Vermont Medical Center - 2008
Fellowship	University of Utah Health - 2009

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## Board Certifications

American Board of Neurological Surgery - Neurological Surgery (Certified)

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## Practice Focus Areas

Benign Brain Tumor	Microvascular compression syndromes
Cavernous Malformation	Skull Base Surgery
Malignant Brain Tumor	Spine Degenerative Disease
Spine Surgery	
Trigeminal Neuralgia	

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## Ratings & Reviews

At Northwestern Medicine, our patient's feedback is important to us. While different care providers have their own

unique strengths, we strive to be as transparent as possible with our quality of care. Read more

## Care Provider Ratings

### Overall rating

4.7



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### Reviews From Patients

156 Reviews

MARCH 30 2022

#### Excellent surgeon

MARCH 28 2022

**Doctor practitioner came right away. She was really nice straight to the point off what I need it and answer all my questions. Doctor came and the same sÃ°per nice. I would give them**

MARCH 14 2022

**Prior to engaging Dr. Walsh, I had seen another noted neurosurgeon in North Shore area who could not identify the source of the constant pain that radiated down my right leg and rendered exercise impossible. Dr. Walsh quickly identified the issued and then showed me on the MRI where the nerve had been impinged at S1. He took the time to ask questions, listen, and thoughtfully diagnose the issue. He was open to a stepwise approach that first started with an epidural but then moved to surgery when it was clear there was no additional benefit without alleviating the structural issue. I am a patient relieved finally! Wish I had started with Dr. Walsh first.**

MARCH 14 2022

**He was very attentive and professional made us feel that he really care about me as in individual.**

MARCH 8 2022

**Visit was great. Best part was indicating that back surgery was not needed. Yippee!!!**

FEBRUARY 28 2022

**MD Walsh is very professional explains everything clearly**

FEBRUARY 24 2022

**Make me feel very confident in his wealth of knowledge. He explained other alternatives Instead of going straight to a scalpel.**

FEBRUARY 15 2022

**Dr. Walsh took the time to answer all of mv questions and explained the findings along with next steps -**

**very easy to talk to and made me feel confident that I chose the right doctor.**

FEBRUARY 14 2022

**Very happy with his diagnosis and his total explanation about my situation**

FEBRUARY 14 2022

**He is congenial, knowledgeable and sincere.**

FEBRUARY 12 2022

**Consultation was conducted very thoroughly**

FEBRUARY 8 2022

**He has an excellent and effective way in communicating, while at the same time he conveys a clear sense of compassion.**

JANUARY 29 2022

**The clinic manners that he provides is personal**

JANUARY 15 2022

**Dr. Walsh is prime example of the caring, empathetic, knowledgeable staff that Northwestern Medicine employes.**

JANUARY 12 2022

**Patiently explained what to expect during surgery and laid out a clear path with his practice to get surgery scheduled.**

DECEMBER 27 2021

**Did not help me with what I need to do next.**

DECEMBER 27 2021

**he explained all treatment options clearly**

DECEMBER 23 2021

**He took his time and explained what he was planning to do and why**

DECEMBER 7 2021

**Very careful evaluation of prior and current MRI to find the root cause. Very impressive and helpful showing me, the patient, the picture that showed the compressed nerve. Prior specialist had not found it nor initial review of MRI.**

NOVEMBER 23 2021

**He takes time and explains,**

NOVEMBER 23 2021

**Dr. Walsh was professional, and personable.**

NOVEMBER 23 2021

**Dr. Walsh has performed a successful surgery on my spine in the past. I have every confidence in his skills.**

NOVEMBER 22 2021

**He didn't listen to me he was rushed to get to his next appointment.**

NOVEMBER 12 2021

**Professional listens to concerns available for questions**

NOVEMBER 11 2021

**My first impressions are most positive.**

NOVEMBER 8 2021

**Did not see him but met with his PA, Amanda. She was amazing**

OCTOBER 29 2021

**He was the 4th surgeon I saw. First one who seemed more interested in doing what was right for me, not rack up surgeries/procedures. Very glad Dr. Capezio recommended him.**

OCTOBER 25 2021

**Location, Doctor and Staff, confidence, reputation.**

OCTOBER 12 2021

**Very easy to talk to and caring**

OCTOBER 9 2021

**He cares and listens to my concerns and answer questions from me as well as from my son.**

OCTOBER 7 2021

**Very caring**

OCTOBER 5 2021

**He's pleasant, seems knowledgeable. Can't comment in surgery until I have it**

OCTOBER 4 2021

**Carrying and respectful guidance and plans to support brain procedures.**

OCTOBER 2 2021

**Very patient and compassionate.**

SEPTEMBER 28 2021

**He was pleasant**

SEPTEMBER 27 2021

**He and Laura are welcoming and they listen.**

SEPTEMBER 9 2021

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SEPTEMBER 8 2021

**He talks to patients like we are real people and not ciphers in certain boxes. He comes across as caring**

SEPTEMBER 3 2021

**Very pleasant and have explained everything in details**

AUGUST 30 2021

**Very knowledgeable, not one to push surgery as first choice. Little awareness of patient respect and sensitivity**

AUGUST 30 2021

**He has a great reputation and he always has your best interest in mind.**

AUGUST 26 2021

**Dr Welsh and his team are amazing! Excellent bedside manner, explored all possibilities for treatment, answered all my questions.**

AUGUST 21 2021

**in the 3 months I've been under his care I've seen him for a maximum of 5 minutes. No way to get a call through to him**

AUGUST 19 2021

**I don't think his team did a great job explaining nor the discharge was explained thoroughly. Was a bit disappointed. Surgery was a success though. I felt now being rushed not really cared for enough.**

AUGUST 19 2021

**Awesome , Great Dr. in explaining the cause of my problems.**

AUGUST 9 2021

**Discussed my concerns and listened to me.**

AUGUST 9 2021

**Have been seeing Dr. Walsh for over a year, he is very personable and I felt very comfortable with him from the very first day and his diagnosis of me. He always answered my questions and addressed my fears honestly. After a year of delaying the surgery the day came and I could not be happier with the results. This doctor says what he does and does what he says. I not only would but already have recommended him to several people and will keep recommending him. Very thankful every day for being referred to Dr. Walsh.**

AUGUST 5 2021

**Kind; thorough; explained everything well.**

AUGUST 2 2021

**He's smart, patient and caring!!**

JULY 11 2021

**I think it's too soon to rate for now. We are still in the initial phase of consulting. But I can tell he is really an excellent dr. I will revisit this question.**

JULY 10 2021

**Knowledgeable patient and non aggressive in recommending surgery.**

JUNE 24 2021

**His assistant did a very thorough job.**

JUNE 22 2021

**His PA was excellent. Dr Walsh will review notes and contact me.**

JUNE 15 2021

**Great doctor**

JUNE 11 2021

**Dr Walsh was thorough on care of what was going on with my back.**

JUNE 10 2021

**He's the best**

JUNE 7 2021

**Excellent doctor.**

JUNE 3 2021

**He is a very good doctor and friendly he explains what and about what he is going to do**

MAY 29 2021

**We chatted for approx. 10 minutes. Didn't get much time to "connect"?**

MAY 27 2021

**Neck is healing**

MAY 26 2021

**Very nice and showed and explained everything about my surgery**

MAY 18 2021

**Very bright**

MAY 13 2021

**First visit. He done good.**

MAY 11 2021

**He is friendly smart and takes time with your**

MAY 6 2021

**Thorough and efficient**

MAY 5 2021

**he doesn't beat around the bush but tells it like it is. There is no sugarcoating so you know exactly what to expect. No surprises later.**

APRIL 17 2021

**He is very helpful and kind and willing to help**

APRIL 17 2021

**HAD TO WAIT WAY PAST MY TIME. YOU WANT ME ON TIME THEY SHOULD BE ON TIME**

APRIL 13 2021

**Excellent physician**

APRIL 13 2021

**Caring professional.**

APRIL 6 2021

**Dr. Walsh is an exceptional dr. And has demonstrated to us how much he cares about his patients.**

APRIL 6 2021

**Best doctor**

APRIL 6 2021

**I felt they cared and took the time to explain my options.**

APRIL 5 2021

**He took good care of me**

MARCH 31 2021

**Very professional and excellent surgeon**

MARCH 30 2021

**Did a Phenomenal job on my back**

MARCH 17 2021

**I have only seen him for a few minutes so I have no reason to recommend him nor do I have reason not to recommend him.**

MARCH 12 2021

**Experienced, intelligent and personable**

MARCH 11 2021

**NP and Dr took time to answer all my questions. Offered helpful advice and suggestions.**

MARCH 10 2021

**He represents why I have been a patient here nearly 50 years. I have confidence that the best will always be a priority in caring for, not only me, but all patients.**

FEBRUARY 23 2021

**He explains everything very nicely**

FEBRUARY 22 2021

**Professional, puts you at ease, not surgery crazy.**

FEBRUARY 22 2021

**He seemed to care about my problem and gave suggestions of what I can do.**

FEBRUARY 11 2021

**He, and his physician assistant, both explained in understandable language my condition and treatment. They listened to my questions and concerns, and put me at ease for the future treatment.**

FEBRUARY 8 2021

**Took time to explain the procedure in detail and answered all my questions**

FEBRUARY 3 2021

**seemed to be very knowledgeable**

JANUARY 27 2021

**I will know more after seeing Dr Walsh**

JANUARY 23 2021

**Excellent communicator of expectations/outcomes of surgery.**

JANUARY 21 2021

**I really liked Dr Walsh. For a first time meeting I was pleasantly surprised.**

JANUARY 19 2021

**Great doctor and staff, work with you to resolve your issues, take their time to listen and answer any and all questions in language you can understand.**

JANUARY 19 2021

**Smart and personable**

JANUARY 18 2021

**Very professional**

JANUARY 16 2021

**He is extremely knowledgeable and efficient.**

JANUARY 12 2021

**I felt I reviewed my past history and had several options and a path to go towards my recovery**

JANUARY 12 2021

**Dr. Walsh was extremely compassionate and patient. He took a lot of time to explain everything to me and I am very grateful.**

JANUARY 5 2021

**DR SEEMS AWFULLY BUSY**

JANUARY 4 2021

**Very nice and explained everything to me**

DECEMBER 15 2020

**Extremely Knowledgeable. Direct responses. Pleasant personality.**

DECEMBER 15 2020

**He describes clearly answered to any questions one have.**

DECEMBER 14 2020

**Comes highly recommended**

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## **Faculty Profile**

<http://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/faculty-profiles/az/profile.html?xid=36051>