



4.5 ★★★★★

586 Ratings

Murad Alam, MD

Northwestern Medical Group

Primary Specialty

Mohs Surgery

Secondary Specialties

Dermatology

● Accepts New Patients

Location



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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.

Practice Groups and Affiliations

Medical Group

Northwestern Medical Group

Physician Category Northwestern Medicine Physician Network

On Medical Staff At Northwestern Memorial Hospital

Education

Medical Education MD, Yale University School of Medicine - 1996

Internship University of Michigan Health System - 1997

Residency New York Presbyterian Hospital (Columbia Campus) - 2000

Board Certifications

American Board of Dermatology - Dermatology (Certified)

Practice Focus Areas

Cosmetic Dermatology

Laser Skin Rejuvenation

Mohs Surgery

Surgical Dermatology

Treatment of Sun Damaged Skin

Mole Screening and Removal

Reconstructive Surgery/Cancer

Skin Cancer

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

4.5



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Reviews From Patients

217 Reviews

AUGUST 31 2021

He was quick, efficient, and very funny. It's extremely difficult yet very important to make your patients laugh, and if ever needing a derma surgery in the future, I know who to turn to. Thank you Dr. Alam!

AUGUST 31 2021

AUGUST 31 2021

Efficient

AUGUST 30 2021

Dr Alam was good too.

AUGUST 30 2021

Knowledgeable, patient and willing to explain to me what was needed to deal with my problem.

AUGUST 30 2021

Friendly and considerate. Did very nice work

AUGUST 29 2021

He's one of the best. Good surgeon

AUGUST 27 2021

Surgical expertise

AUGUST 27 2021

Professional & Courteous - Answered all my questions in a way I could understand

AUGUST 26 2021

Personable, professional, and obviously enjoys his work.

AUGUST 26 2021

Quality care and exceptional service.

AUGUST 24 2021

Dr Alam was awesome. He made sure all my questions were answered and that I was comfortable with the procedure.

AUGUST 24 2021

Excellent credentials and skills.

AUGUST 24 2021

He is very nice, explained everything. I feel very confident in his care

AUGUST 24 2021

As the above with great competence and personal attention and assurance

AUGUST 23 2021

He's very nice, but the long wait times are a big deterrent

AUGUST 23 2021

Besides the wait - which I tolerated because he has done good work in the past - this time he was in the room for less than a minute and then without comment had his fellow do the procedure. If I wanted some fellow working on me I wouldn't have waited for 90 minutes. Not even checking in on the fellow's work nor how I was doing made it clear he had zero interest in his patient. Which is too bad

because the only reason I am willing to sit and wait for him was because he used to have a wonderful bedside manner.

AUGUST 23 2021

The doctor made me feel comfortable

AUGUST 23 2021

He is professionally excellent and a fine person.

AUGUST 23 2021

Dr Alam is one of the most skillful and empathetic doctors at NM.I strongly recommend that NM arrange to convey the message to all of its physicians that empathy and caring are important requisites in the making of an excellent doctor.

AUGUST 22 2021

Very clear regarding treatment. Answered all questions my questions.

AUGUST 19 2021

His professionalism and bedside manner are very comforting; his knowledge of the issue, performance and attentiveness are outside the box. I knew I was in very capable hands. Thank you.

AUGUST 18 2021

It was only a quick consultation so I don't know if a 10 is warranted yet.

AUGUST 18 2021

Personable

AUGUST 17 2021

Knowledgeable and friendly.

AUGUST 17 2021

He is a very good doctor who seem to care for his patients.

AUGUST 17 2021

Very straight forward with the information I wanted

AUGUST 17 2021

Dr. Alam really put me at ease before and during my procedure. He answered my questions and explained what he was doing as things went along. Dr. Alam was very personable and caring.

AUGUST 16 2021

Friendly doctor and I felt like I was in good hands

AUGUST 16 2021

Very helpful On time

AUGUST 12 2021

Consummate Professionals

AUGUST 10 2021

He was nice and funny and very calming. Seems rare in some doctors. His PA was great too. I feel very good about the care I received.

AUGUST 9 2021

Very nice and explained everything thoroughly.

AUGUST 9 2021

Very skilled surgeon with very good results and is personable and informative.

AUGUST 8 2021

Expertise. Teamwork with Dr. Lee. Fine support staff.

AUGUST 7 2021

DR Alam is the best in his field.

AUGUST 6 2021

Dr Alam seems very good. Overall, he seems like an experienced and talented doctor for Mohs surgery and generally a good communicator. However, when I had my first round of Mohs there were two fellows with him. I assumed that the fellows would be observing and learning from Dr Alam performing the procedure. There was no discussion/disclosure that they would be involved in performing the procedure and they covered my eyes before beginning the procedure so I could not easily see what each person was doing. During the first round I came to realize that although Dr Alam was talking me through what was happening, it was one of the fellows who was actually cutting into me. I also needed a 2nd round and Dr Alam did not even come into the room for the 2nd round. The fellow who performed the 2nd round did not communicate at all and the procedure seemed significantly rougher and rushed than the 1st round. Unlike when Dr Alam was in the room for the 1st round there was no forewarning of what would happen next (e.g., the cauterizing process). There should be full communication before the procedure begins about what role, if any, is intended for anyone other than Dr Alam with an opportunity for the patient to say yes or no to the proposed role of the fellow, particularly considering this procedure was cutting into two locations on my face. I was very uncomfortable with what was happening during the 2nd round, but I was put in a very difficult position to address it. I still do not know the name of the fellow who actually performed the procedure. I looked in MyChart today and there are no notes or records related to what happened, what was found, what was done during the procedure.

AUGUST 6 2021

Very knowledgeable and took time to explain things to me

AUGUST 4 2021

Knowledgeable and professional

AUGUST 4 2021

Through heard my concerns Listened and heard made appropriate decisions, I hope

AUGUST 4 2021

Dr. Alam is very skilled at reviewing skin concerns and analyzing oddities quickly; he also trusts his team to handle certain measures that most teaching doctors don't allow for. This improves the learning of the team and improves the patient's confidence in his skill level.

AUGUST 3 2021

Kept me updated

AUGUST 3 2021

Very professional

AUGUST 2 2021

Great demeanor, caring, thorough in explaining care, exceptional at cosmetic procedures.

AUGUST 2 2021

He and his team are excellent

AUGUST 2 2021

very professional

JULY 29 2021

Dr. Alam is so kind and gentle. He is an excellent doctor and craftsman. I see him for two different reasons. He is the nicest Doctor and I always enjoy seeing him.

JULY 28 2021

Despite my frustration with the waiting, he was a nice man and seemed to know his business.

JULY 27 2021

Explains treatment results and follow up very specifically .

JULY 27 2021

Dr. Alam is an expert in his field. On my 1st visit he was patient and kind. I had a lot of questions, and he answered them all. I did not feel rushed.

JULY 26 2021

Dr Alam is superb because of his care and concern for the patient. His show of respect towards patients is very high, he offers conservative cosmetic advice which is what most patients need.

JULY 26 2021

I have confidence in the care I receive from Dr. Alam and the NW staff.

JULY 25 2021

Dr Alam is capable and kind. He answered my questions and has a nice manner with what is a scary procedure (Mohs).

JULY 24 2021

Not much interaction with Dr

JULY 24 2021

Professional

JULY 22 2021

My impression that he is a very competent doctor and has good judgment along with good people skills

JULY 20 2021

He is a top doctor

JULY 20 2021

Very professional!

JULY 18 2021

his ability and sense of humor

JULY 18 2021

He was great!

JULY 17 2021

Very thorough

JULY 17 2021

second time he has removed a carcinoma and done with great care

JULY 17 2021

Dr. Alam is an outstanding Derm Surgeon and one of the most, if not the most academic dermatologist in the country.

JULY 16 2021

Dr. Alam is awesome, very professional! And listens to the patient

JULY 16 2021

Clearly professional and I liked his sense of humor.

JULY 16 2021

Very good bedside manner and efficient removal of my Squamous cancer

JULY 16 2021

Dr. Alam and his staff do a wonderful job, however, each time I come for an appointment they are running anywhere between 1-2 hours late.

JULY 15 2021

Confidence in his skill from My Prior experience with him Kind Upbeat

JULY 14 2021

Highly skilled and qualified doctor. Great communication with me as the patient.

JULY 14 2021

Very nice

JULY 13 2021

The way he works with people

JULY 12 2021

He's a very comforting physician. Friendly and caring. Made me feel quite relaxed.

JULY 12 2021

Great bedside manners

JULY 12 2021

Detailed explanation of procedures Professional care, great bedside manner

JULY 12 2021

He is great to work with, explains things well & made me feel calm

JULY 5 2021

Empathy, professional, and skillful.

JUNE 30 2021

Explained everything. Skilled surgeon. Extraordinarily pleased.

JUNE 30 2021

Did a wonderful job + good bedside manner.

JUNE 30 2021

Professional

JUNE 29 2021

Excellent care provider. Personable. Answered questions patiently.

JUNE 29 2021

Favorite doctor ever. He's just one of the best in his specialty and a great person, too.

JUNE 29 2021

Very friendly and explained all I was looking to understand

JUNE 28 2021

Dr. Alam was friendly and seems very skilled and knowledgeable in his work.

JUNE 28 2021

Great bedside manner. Made me feel comfortable.

JUNE 23 2021

Empathetic, professional, experienced, knowledgeable,

JUNE 23 2021

Dr Alam is probably the most exceptional doctor to care for me. Aside from his skill, which is a given, he takes the time to address all concerns and is prepared to listen to preferences and ideas of his patients. This was illustrated today when I requested that we consider a vaccine that is starting to be used for squamous cell cancer: he immediately undertook to have the vaccine checked for interactions with the many drugs that I am taking. We also set up a plan for dealing with the recurrent incidences of that cancer. He also was amenable to seeking a second pathology opinion on my latest biopsies.

JUNE 23 2021

Straightforward and answers all my questions

JUNE 22 2021

Very nice dr

JUNE 21 2021

Excellent doctor

JUNE 21 2021

Dr. Alam was very kind and answered all my questions. I felt very confident about a plan going forward after discussing everything with him.

JUNE 21 2021

So kind! Gentle and explained everything!

JUNE 21 2021

Dr Alam was phenomenal but had some concerns with procedure performed and bedside manner of physician assistant

JUNE 17 2021

Quality of care

JUNE 17 2021

Dr. Alam seems competent and his manner is pleasant, but he is always rushed.

JUNE 17 2021

He appears Very competent and has excellent patient communication skills.

JUNE 16 2021

He was kind and considerate.

JUNE 16 2021

He is good and is very attentive

JUNE 16 2021

Procedure was quick and pain free.

NOVEMBER 15 2020

Dr. Alam is excellent... he has a very kind bedside manner, he always lets the patient know what's coming next, he speaks confidently.

NOVEMBER 15 2020

The entire team was very professional, and when I needed a referral and appointment for further work that day, they took care of all the details. Wow!

NOVEMBER 14 2020

He was nice and worked very quickly

Faculty Profile

<http://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/faculty-profiles/az/profile.html?xid=10210>