



Ali Naini, MD

neurosurgeon

For Dr. Ali Naini (second from left, with the surgical team), a day at the office often involves doing minimally invasive surgery on the brain or spinal cord. A Tacoma native who graduated from Johns Hopkins University and Harvard Medical School, Dr. Naini has performed thousands of such procedures during his 17 years as a neurosurgeon. Dr. Naini and his colleagues, Dr. Varun Laohaprasit, Dr. Jeffrey Pearce and the neurosurgical operating team are responsible for nearly 500 major neurosurgical operations at Evergreen Hospital each year, spanning the spectrum from brain aneurysms to tumor resection to complex spinal reconstruction.

Dr. Naini is confident regarding the continued growth of the Clinical Neurosciences Program at Evergreen Hospital Medical Center. "There is a sense of idealism and compassion here that permeates the staff at every level and is truly inspiring. I see no limits to what we can achieve."

BRINGING EXCEPTIONAL CARE *to the Community*

Evergreen is dedicated to meeting the health needs of everyone in the community through a number of innovative programs and services funded by the levy dollars paid to King County Public Hospital District No. 2. Just under \$6.5 million in levy monies was used in 2005 to support a vast array of services, from health education classes and senior care to programs that brought health care to the underserved.

Highlighted here are a few of our programs either funded entirely or enhanced by your levy support.

Help With Accessing Care

Healthcare Access Program (HCAP) works in partnership with many community organizations to assist low-income and uninsured community residents who face barriers in accessing affordable health and social services. In 2005, 17,000 clients benefited from a range of programs, from childhood and flu vaccinations to medical checkups and dental services. Our bilingual Spanish-speaking outreach staff helped 319 children become enrolled in free or low-cost health insurance programs. Our social workers handled nearly 4,500 inquiries on topics ranging from obtaining insurance and charity care to accessing baby supplies and adult respite care.