

# Evaluation Process for DBS



INITIAL CLINIC VISIT to meet with a neurology doctor.



INITIAL CLINIC VISIT to meet with a neurosurgeon (usually same day).



RATING SCALE VISIT with a neurology doctor. You will be asked a series of questions and will perform simple physical tasks, like walking and tapping your fingers. We use these objective rating scales to document how severe your disease is prior to surgery.



Follow-up with a neuropsychologist for NEUROPSYCHOLOGY TESTING. You will again be asked a series of questions and will perform a variety of tasks to test your thinking abilities. This is an important test to do to make sure that your brain will be able to tolerate surgery.



All of the members of our team meet together to discuss your test results and how we can help you. The neurosurgeon will meet with you regarding your plan after this meeting.



You may need to undergo another special MRI scan of your brain to help us prepare for your surgery. Try to stay as still as possible during this scan if you need one.



Meet with our Movement Disorders staff the day before surgery to go over any questions and discuss what to expect before, during, and after surgery.



Go to the sterile MRI with the neurosurgeon and our team for placement of your DBS device.

