

An **Epilepsy Surgical Center** must include a DSCC-approved:

1. **Neurologist** with board certification in neurology and special training in invasive intensive neurodiagnostic monitoring (per American EEG Society guidelines for monitoring in epilepsy).
2. **Neurologist** with board certification in neurology with special competence in Child Neurology.
3. **Pediatric Neurosurgeon** with board certification, special interests in epilepsy experience in resection of epileptogenic tissue and invasive monitoring techniques.

***At least one of the above physicians should be certified by the American Board of Clinical Neurophysiology (ABCN).***

***Either one of the neurologists or the neurosurgeon should serve as Program Director. If appropriately qualified, a single individual may fill each or all of the neurologist roles noted above.***

4. **Electroencephalographer** (per American EEG Society guidelines).

An **Epilepsy Surgical Center** must include the following providers (Note: DSCC does not require these members to meet a DSCC-specific set of criteria to provide services on the team.):

1. Pediatric Neuropsychologist/neuropsychometrist
2. Social Worker
3. Clinical Nurse Specialist/Nurse Clinician
4. EEG Technologist(s)

An **Epilepsy Surgical Center** must include the following facility requirements:

1. JCAHO or AOA approved hospital with a physically definable pediatric unit;
2. An inpatient recording suite with access to full resuscitative capabilities;
3. A special care unit where the nursing staff is trained in the management of children with epilepsy. The unit's design and furnishings should minimize risk of injury to patients subject to seizures and falls; and
4. Availability of a full spectrum of diagnostic and treatment services on site. In-dwelling electrode monitoring must be performed in a manner that assures electrical safety and meets the standards of the American EEG Society's recommendations for intensive neurodiagnostic monitoring.

An **Epilepsy Surgical Center** must provide the following services:

1. Electrodiagnostic services
2. Imaging services;
3. Pediatric Neuropsychological/psychosocial services;
4. Pediatric pharmacological expertise;
5. Epilepsy surgery;
6. Rehabilitation (inpatient and outpatient);
7. Consultative expertise (available on site) with psychiatrist, pediatrics and general surgery; and
8. Twenty-four hour pediatric medical coverage on site.