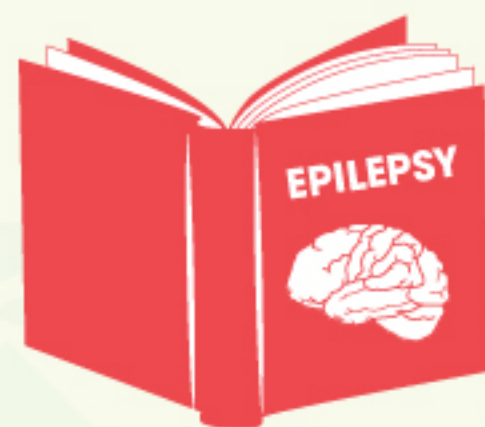


# Neurologists vs. Epileptologists

What's the difference?

**NEUROLOGISTS** can provide high-quality treatment for many people with epilepsy. But a patient who continues to have uncontrolled seizures may need to see a specialist.<sup>1</sup>



## Neurologist

- A neurologist is a physician who is trained to diagnose and treat a range of different disorders of the nervous system.
- He or she may be involved in research or clinical trials.
- There are more than 16,000 neurologists in the U.S.<sup>2</sup>

## Epileptologist

- An epileptologist is a neurologist who has subspecialized in treating only epilepsy and can provide expert care.
- He or she may be engaged in some form of research.<sup>3</sup>
- There are fewer epileptologists than neurologists in the U.S.

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