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When I joined The Permanente Medical Group in 1991, I was drawn to the collegial practice style of the neurosurgeons and the complex medical issues they faced each day. Since becoming Chief, I have focused my attention on making Kaiser Permanente Redwood City the premier neuroscience center in Northern California.

When I became Chief of the neurosurgery department, I saw that we had the ability to develop a fully rounded and integrated program. If we could offer a number of subspecialties, such as neurooncology, functional neurosurgery, and epilepsy, we wouldn't have to refer our patients to physicians outside of Kaiser Permanente.

The focus on regionalization has been critical to our development. Having every neurological patient in one area sent to our center allows us to manage all aspects of treatment as part of our comprehensive care plan.

We have been able to attract an amazingly talented group of surgeons and physicians over the last eight years. When we started, we were a department of neurosurgeons. Now, we are a fully integrated center that epitomizes the Kaiser Permanente approach to patient care.

My clinical experience drives my goals as a leader. It's all about getting the neuroscience center to work for the patients, and for the doctors who care for them.

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William Sheridan, MD, was drawn to TPMG by the collegial style of KP neurosurgery practice and the medical challenges KP physicians faced each day.

A highly respected surgeon and leader, he joined TPMG in 1991 after finishing his neurosurgical residency at Stanford, where he still teaches.

Dr. Sheridan became Chief in 2001. Since then, he's transformed an already top-notch neurosurgery department into a premier neuroscience center in the region, with subspecialties such as neurooncology, functional neurosurgery, and epilepsy.

His efforts to centralize the facility's neurological care have paid off. The new structure is not only more cost efficient, but has improved the quality of care as well.

