



Yi-Ren Chen, MD, MPH, FAANS

Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor, Neurosurgery

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Dr. Chen is a neurosurgeon and spine surgeon and Chief of Neurosurgery with Mercy Medical Group, Sacramento County, CA, as well as an Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor of Neurosurgery at Stanford University. After double majoring in biology and history at Stanford, he obtained his MD from Stanford and MPH from Johns Hopkins. He subsequently completed neurosurgery residency and complex spine fellowship at Stanford. Dr. Chen has over 150 peer-reviewed papers, book chapters, talks, and abstracts. He serves the greater Sacramento area and beyond.

Clinical interests:

Minimally invasive spine, scoliosis and deformity, redo/ revision spinal surgery, complex spine, general neurosurgery

Administrative Appointments:

Chief of Neurosurgery, Mercy Medical Group/ Dignity Health Sacramento, Sacramento County, CA

Director (North)/ Board of Directors, California Association of Neurological Surgeons (CANS)

Professional Education:

Undergraduate: Stanford University (BA/ BS)

Medical School: Stanford University (MD)

Masters: Johns Hopkins (MPH)

Residency: Stanford University (Neurosurgery)

Fellowship: Stanford University (Minimally Invasive and Complex Deformity Spine)

Fellowship: San Diego Spine Foundation (Visiting Fellow in Minimally Invasive Spine)

Board Certification: American Board of Neurological Surgery, Neurosurgery

Research interests:

Clinical outcomes research on spine patients utilizing both large-scale nationwide databases and single-center patient information, focusing on improving quality of care, patient satisfaction, and hospital-wide outcomes.