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# Biography:

Gregory J. Lawler, D.O. is a Board Certified Anesthesiologist and Board Certified Interventional Pain Management Physician specializing in the treatment of neck and low back pain. Dr. Lawler uses minimally invasive techniques to treat spine pain, increase function and decrease the requirement for pain medications. Dr. Lawler performs advanced pain management techniques of the cervical, thoracic and lumbar spine including discography, transforaminal epidurals, radiofrequency, spinal cord stimulator and nucleoplasty. He has hospital privileges to surgically assist operative spine procedures including cervical and lumbar discectomy/fusion. He has recently opened his own private practice, Integrity Interventional Pain Management, with three office locations.

Dr. Lawler is noted in the field of Pain Management and is recognized as a "Leading Physician of the World", "America's Best Physician", "Guide for America's Top Physician", "Top Pain Management Physician", as well as "Cambridge's Who's Who Among Osteopathic Physicians". Dr. Lawler was featured on American Health Front, profiled on television CBS-2 New York, as an expert in the field of Pain Medicine. He has written in the past for a publically traded health and wellness website on pain medicine topics. Dr. Lawler currently teaches and examines first and second year medical students in physical diagnosis skills and early clinical experience at Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine. He has taught anesthesia to resident physicians for several years. Additionally, he was recently recognized and received a "Certificate of Appreciation" from Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States 2015, as well as Continental Who's Who.

Gregory J Lawler, D.O. is fully accredited in the field of Pain Medicine and Anesthesiology. He stays up to date with the newest techniques and is an active member in The American Society of

Pain Medicine, North American Spine Society, American Society of Regional Anesthesia and Pain Medicine and American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians and American Society of Anesthesiologist. Dr. Lawler was recently acknowledged and received Competency Certification in Fluoroscopic Interpretation and Radiation Safety and additional certification in Controlled and Dangerous Substances, both certifications were issued by the American Board of Interventional Pain Physicians. Dr. Lawler was recertified by the American Board of Pain Medicine and is credentialed until 2025.

Education:

1982 - 1987	Bachelor of Arts
	Boston University, Boston, MA
1987 - 1988	Post Baccalaureate Certification in Pre-Medical Sciences
	Columbia University, New York, New York
1989 - 1993	Doctor of Osteopathy
	Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, Kirksville, MO

### **Postgraduate Training:**

1993- 1994	Intern, Department of Medicine	
	St. Michael's Hospital and Medical Center, Newark, N.J.	
1994- 1997	Anesthesia Resident	
, Department of Anesthesia		
	St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center, Paterson, N.J.	

### Board Certification/Competency Certification:

July	2016	Competency Certified in Fluoroscopic Interpretation and Radiation Safety by ABIPP*
March	2016	Competency Certification in Controlled and Dangerous Substances by ABIPP*
April	2012	American Board of Pain Medicine Recertification until 2025
February	y 2005	American Board of Pain Medicine 2005 – 2012
July	2003	Diplomat American Academy of Pain Management
October	1998	Board Certified American Board of Anesthesiologists, Non Term Limits
July	1994	Diplomat of National Board of National Osteopathic Medical Examiners
		* American Board of Interventional Pain Physicians

# Active State Licenses:

2003	New York State Medical License
2003	Pennsylvania State Osteopathic Medical License
1997	New Jersey State Medical License

# American Heart Association Accreditation:

January	2019	Basic Life Support Provider
January	2019	Advanced Life Support Provide

# Honors and Achievements:

2019	Top Doctor: Top Pain Management Physician
2018	Top Doctor: Top Pain Management Physician
2016	Continental Who's Who
2015	American Health Front, CBS-2, New York
2015	America's Best Physicians
2015	Certificate of Appreciation, Veterans of Foreign Wars of The United States
2014 - Present	Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine, Clinical Instructor
2010 - Present	"Leading Physicians of the World" Award for Pain Management
2010	"2010 Champions of Medicine" Awarded by Speaker Newt Gingrich
2007 - 2008	Listing in Cambridge Who's Who among Osteopathic Physicians
2006	"Guide to America's Top Physicians"
2007 - Present	Classified as Expert Witness in Pain Medicine in New Jersey Court System
2006	Accreditation by Association for Ambulatory Health Care, Inc
1997 - 2002	Executive Committee Member N.J. Society of Anesthesiologists
1998 - 2002	Recipient of outstanding teaching evaluations by St. Joseph Anesthesia residents
1995 - 1997	Chief Resident, Department of Anesthesia, St. Joseph's Hospital & Medical Center
1995 - 1997	Executive Committee Member New Jersey State Society of Anesthesiologists
1995 - 1996	N.J. State Representative, American Soc. of Anesthesiologists House of Delegates
1990 - 1991	Sigma Sigma Phi Honor Society, Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine

# **Professional Associations:**

North American Spine Society	American Society of Anesthesiologists
American Academy of Pain Medicine	American Academy of Pain Management
American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians	American Society of Regional Anesthesia

# **Professional Appointments:**

2018-Present	Oradell Surgical Center, Oradell, N.J.
	Privileges for Pain Management
2017-Present	SurgiCore Surgical Center, Saddle Brook, N.J.
	Privileges for Pain Management
2018-Present	New Horizon Surgical Center, Paterson, N.J.
	Privileges for Pain Management and surgical assist discectomy and fusion 2014-
2014-Present	Palisades Medical Center, North Bergen, N.J. (HUMC)
	Privileges for Pain Management, Surgically assist discectomy/fusion surgery
2014-Present	Liberty Health, Jersey City Medical Center, Jersey City, N.J.
	Privileges for Pain Management and surgically assist discectomy and fusion

2013-Present	Hudson Regional Hospital, Secaucus, N.J.
	Privileges for Pain Management, surgically assist discectomy and fusion
2008-Present	Clifton Surgical Center, Clifton, N.J
	Privileges for Anesthesia and Pain Management
	Chairman Department of Anesthesia 2008-2010
2005-2008	Carnegie Hill Surgical Center, New York, N.Y.
	Chairman Department of Anesthesia
2002-2016	Paramus Surgical Center, Paramus, N.J.
	Chairman Department of Anesthesia,
	Privileges for Pain Management, Anesthesia, Surgically assist discectomy/fusion
2002-2013	ASC of Union County, Union, N.J.
	Privileges for Anesthesia and Pain Management

# **Procedures Performed:**

#### **Pain Management**

MILD Procedure	Injection of Hardware
Cervical/Thoracic/ Lumbar Median Branch Block	Sacroilliac Joint Injection
Cervical/Thoracic/ Lumbar Epidural Steroid Injections	Racz Catheter Caudal Neurolys
Cervical/ Thoracic/ Lumbar Radiofrequency	Piriformis Injection
Cervical/ Lumbar Selective Nerve Root Block	Lumbar Facet Joint Injections
Transforaminal Cervical/Lumbar Steroid Injections	Stellate Ganglion Block
Cervical Nucleoplasty	Ketamine infusion
Spinal Cord Stimulator Trial	Cervical/ Lumbar Discography
IDET Procedure	Lumbar Sympathetic Block
Hip Bursa, Hip Joint, Shoulder Joint	Epidural for Post Operative Pai
Specialized Nerve Blocks for Anesthesia	Post - op Pain Management

#### **Surgical Assist Procedures**

Endoscopic Rhizotomy Anterior Cervical Discectomy and Fusion (ACDF) Transforaminal Lumbar Interbody Fusion (TLIF) Endoscopic Cervical Discectomy Vertebroplasty Percutaneous Lumbar Fusion

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Endoscopic Foraminotomy Endoscopic Discectomy Open Lumbar Discectomy Removal of Hardware Permanent Spinal Cord Stimulator

## **Professional Work Experience:**

2016 - Present	Integrity Interventional Pain Management
	President/Owner
	Specializing in Pain Medicine and Interventional Pain Management using
	minimally invasive techniques.
2014 - Present	Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine, Middletown, N.Y.
	- Adjunct Instructor and Examiner of Physical Diagnosis Skills for first year
	medical students with simulated/professional patients.
	- Adjunct Instructor of Early Clinical Experience of second year medical students,
	involving small group discussions of complex medical problems.

2013 - Present	Bergen Pain Management of Union, Union, N.J.
	Specializing in Advanced Minimally Invasive Pain Management procedures.
2009 - 2016	Bergen Pain Management, Paramus, N.J., West New York, N.J.
	Specialized in Advanced Minimally Invasive Pain Management Procedures.
2002 - 2013	Columbia/Elite Anesthesia Associates, Union, N.J.
	Specialized in Ambulatory Anesthesia, Proficient in Regional Anesthesia for orthopedic surgery.
2002 - 2013	Columbia/Elite Pain Management Associates, Union, N.J.
	- Specialized in Minimally Invasive Pain Management Procedures.
	- Specialized in Osteopathic Cranial Sacral Manipulation.
1998 - 2002	Attending Anesthesiologists, Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth N.J.
	- Clinical Instructor of Anesthesia for St. Joseph's Hospital Anesthesia Residents.
	- Specialized in Neurosurgical Anesthesia. Participated in daily lectures, resident evaluations and direct resident teaching.
1997 - 1998	Clinical Anesthesiologists, Kimball Medical Center, Lakewood, N.J.
	Associate Anesthesiologist, Ocean Anesthesia Group
1990 - 1991	Assistant Research Scientist, Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine
	Performed studies in Fetal Alcohol Syndrome in tadpole models.
1987 - 1989	Assistant Research Scientist, New York State Psychiatric Institute
	Developed iron uptake pathways in developing mammalian brains.

### **Publications and Presentations:**

Podiatry Grand Rounds: Complex Regional Pain Syndrome, May 2018, Palisades Hospital Grand Rounds Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine "Pitfalls and Guidance of Post Grad Practice" Featured Speaker: New Jersey State Bar Association, 2012: Back Pain and Workers Comp Injuries Nuesa, W. Weisman, A, <u>Lawler, G</u>., Stanec, A; Somatosensory Evoked Potentials as an Index of Motor and Sensory Loss Following Spine Surgery

Dwork, AJ, <u>Lawler, G</u>, et al. Post Deficiency Acquisition of Iron by Choroid Plexus, Society of NeuroScience, 1989 Abstract

Dwork, AJ, <u>Lawler, G</u>, et al. An Autoradiographic Study of the Uptake and Distribution of Iron by the Brain of a Young Rat, Brain Research, 518:31 - 39, 1990

Cost analysis and Feasibility of Automated Pre-Admission Testing with the Health Quiz Device, Sedgwick, <u>Lawler, G</u>, Weissman, A, New York Society of Anesthesiologists Post Graduate Assembly, Dec 1995 <u>Lawler, G</u>, Weisman et al. Neurological Society of Anesthesiologists, 1996 ASA Somatosensory Evoked Potentials as an Index of Sensory of Motor Loss Following Laminectomies,

# Certificates Received in Special Training:

September	2019	MILD Procedure	
January	2016	Platelet Rich Plasma and Stem Cell Training Certificate	
September	2014	Cooled RF Lesioning for Chronic Pain	
April	2010	Endoscopic Spine Surgery	
January	2008	Stryker Dekompressor, Percutaneous Discectomy Probe, and RF Generator	
August	2008	ORTHO Minimally Invasive Spine Training Course	
June	2008	Arthro Care Spine Wand Surgical Devices for Plasma Disc Decompression	
September	2007	Advanced Bionics Advanced Training in Spinal Cord Stimulation	

March	2007	Medtronic Spinal Cord Stimulator for Chronic Pain
October	2004	IDET Training and Workshop
October	2002	Comprehensive Interventional Cadaver Workshop

#### **Conferences and Special Training:**

Critical Care and OB Management for COVID-19 Patient, April 2020 Informed: Pain, Addition and Infection Guidelines, April 2020 Anesthesia Review Seminar, February 2020 Update in Essentials of Pain Management, November 2019 DEA Sponsored N.J. Abuse narcotic Prescribing Seminar, September 2019 Do No Harm Preventing Narcotic Abuse, June 2019 Avoiding Medical Errors, June 2019 Practice Management Seminar, Billing and Coding, March 2019 Cleveland Clinic 19th Annual Pain Management Symposium, February 2019 NY/NJ Society of Interventional Pain Physicians Annual Seminar, November 2018 American Society of Anesthesiologists: Anesthesia Continuing Education (ACE) Patient Safety: Guidelines on Interventional Techniques for Patients on Anticoagulants Safe Narcotic Prescribing/Recognizing Child Abuse/Patient Safety, June 2018 Pain Management and the Disease of Addiction, March 2017 Comprehensive Imaging Review in Interventional Techniques, Memphis, TN, June 2016 Patient Safety: Reducing Diagnostic Errors in Medicine, April 2016. American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Dallas, Texas, April 2016 American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians Controlled and Dangerous Substance Course, Feb 2016 Platelet Rich Plasma and Stem Cell Training Workshop January 2016 Pain Medicine Symposium, Evolving Advanced Pain Therapies, Jersey City, New Jersey November 2015 Do No Harm, Safe Narcotic Prescribing by Medical Society of N. J., Hopewell, New Jersey Nov 2015 Addiction Medicine Review Course Oct 2015 Liberty Health ICD-10 Compliance Training September 2015 End of Life/Opioid REMS, August 2015 Anesthesia Review Course March 2015 Advanced Cardiac Life Support Course Feb 2015 Health Information and Safety/Opioid REMS Education, Nov 2014 Cooled Radio Frequency Seminar and Cadaver Training Course, Sept 2014 Anesthesia and Pain Management Review Course, Cabo, Mexico July 2014 N.Y and N.J. Society of Interventional Pain Physician Annual Meeting and Cadaver Course, Oct 2013 Pain Management Review, American Seminar Institute, Aug 2013 Controlled Substance Management Seminar, What You Need to Know, Feb 2013 Anesthesia Update Scottsdale Arizona October 2012 American Academy of Disability Physicians Annual Meeting March 2012 MRI of the Spine: Essentials for the Spine Specialists January 2012 North American Spine Society 26th Annual Meeting November 2011 North American Spine Society 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting October 2010 International Spine Intervention Society Annual Meeting July 2010 Preceptorship on Endoscopic Spine Surgery April 2010 American Academy of Pain Medicine Annual Meeting 2009 American Society of Anesthesiologists Annual Meeting 2008 Smith&Nephew Minimally Invasive Spine Physician Training Course IDET and Accutherm, Aug 2008 ArthroCare Plasma Disk Decompression Cervical and Lumbar Spine Wand, June 2008 Stryker Interventional Pain Spinal RF & Disk Dekompressor Percutaneous Discectomy, January 2008

American Society of Regional Anesthesia and Pain Medicine Annual Pain Meeting November 2007

Advanced Physician Training on Spinal Cord Stimulation September 2007

American Academy of Pain Medicine 23rd Annual Meeting February 2007

Medtronic Spinal Cord Stimulation Course March 2007

Cleveland Clinic, Pain Management Symposium, February 2006

Hospital for Special Surgery, New York, N.Y. IDET Decompression Training Course October 2004

Society at Pain Practice Management Interventional Cadaver Conference, 2004-2005

International Spine Intervention Society 12th Annual Meeting, 2004

Harvard Medical School, Principles and Practices of Pain Medicine, 2003

A Comprehensive Interventional Cadaver Workshop, 2002, Memphis, T.N.

Tulane University Medical Center 9th Annual Comprehensive Review and Update 2000

American Society of Anesthesiologists Annual Meeting, 1996, New Orleans, LA

Workshop on Neurological Monitoring, American Society of Anesthesiologists, 1999