# Gregory J. Lawler, D.O.

# Integrity Interventional Pain Management

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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, nucleoplasty and has hospital privileges to surgically assist operative procedures including cervical and lumbar discectomy/fusion.

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", 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 first and second year medical students 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 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:**

1987 - 1988

1989 - 1993**Doctor of Osteopathy** 

> Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, Kirksville, MO Post Baccalaureate Certification in Pre-Medical Sciences

Columbia University, New York, New York

1982 - 1987**Bachelor of Arts** 

Boston University, Boston, MA

### Postgraduate Training:

1994-1997 Anesthesia Residency, Department of Anesthesia

St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center, Paterson, N.J.

**Intern, Department of Medicine** 1993-1994

St. Michael's Hospital and Medical Center, Newark, 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
Februar	ry 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:

2008 Colorado State License

New York State Medical License 2003

Pennsylvania State Osteopathic Medical License 2003

1997 New Jersey State Medical License

### American Heart Association Accreditation:

January 2015 Basic Life Support Provider February 2015 Advanced Life Support Provider

### Honors and Achievements:

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
<b>2014 – Present</b>	Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine, Clinical Instructor
<b>2010 - Present</b>	"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"
<b>2007 – Present</b>	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 Academy of Pain Medicine American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians American Society of Anesthesiologists American Academy of Pain Management International Spine Intervention Society

## **Professional Appointments:**

2015-Present	Mountainside Surgical Center, Mountainside, N.J.
	Privileges for Pain Management
2014-Present	Advanced Spine Surgical Center, Union, N.J
	Privileges for Pain Management
2014-Present	Palisades Medical Center, North Bergen, N.J. (HUMC)
	Privileges for Pain Management, Surgically assist discectomy/fusion surgery
2014 -Present	Advanced Spine Surgical Center, Union, N.J.
	Privileges for Pain Management
2014- Present	Liberty Health, Jersey City Medical Center, Jersey City, N.J.
	Privileges for Pain Management
<b>2013 – Present</b>	Meadowlands Hospital, Secaucus, N.J.
	Privileges for Pain Management, Surgically assist discectomy/fusion
<b>2013 – Present</b>	Overlook Medical Center, Summit, N.J. (AHS)
	Privileges for Pain Management
<b>2013 - Present</b>	Mountainside Hospital, Montclair, N.J. (UMDNJ)
	Privileges for Pain Management

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**2010 - Present** Saint Michaels Hospital and Medical Center

Privileges for Pain Management

2008 - Present Clifton Surgical Center, Clifton, N.J.

> Privileges for Anesthesia and Pain Management Chairman Department of Anesthesia 2008-2010 Carnegie Hill Surgical Center, New York, N.Y.

2005 - 2008 Chairman Department of Anesthesia

2002 - Present Paramus Surgical Center, Paramus, N.J.,

Chairman Department of Anesthesia,

Privileges for Pain Management, Anesthesia, Surgically assist discectomy/fusion

2002 - 2013ASC of Union County, Union, N.J.

Privileges for Anesthesia and Pain Management

### **Procedures Performed:**

#### Pain Management

Cervical/Thoracic/ Lumbar Median Branch Block Sacroilliac Joint Injection Cervical/Thoracic/ Lumbar Epidural Steroid Injections Racz Catheter Caudal Neurolysis

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

Epidural for Post Operative Pain Hip Bursa, Hip Joint, Shoulder Joint Specialized Nerve Blocks for Anesthesia Post - op Pain Management

Injection of Hardware

#### **Surgical Assist Procedures**

**Endoscopic Rhizotomy Endoscopic Foraminotomy** Anterior Cervical Discectomy and Fusion (ACDF) **Endoscopic Discectomy** Open Lumbar Discectomy Transforaminal Lumbar Interbody Fusion (TLIF)

**Endoscopic Cervical Discectomy** 

Vertebroplasty

Percutaneous Lumbar Fusion

Removal of Hardware

Permanent Spinal Cord Stimulator

#### Professional Work Experience:

**2016 - Present Integrity Interventional Pain Management** 

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 student, simulated and 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.
	Specializing in Advanced Minimally Invasive Pain Management Procedures
2002 - 2013	Columbia/Elite Anesthesia Associates, Union, N.J.
	Specializing in Ambulatory Anesthesia, Proficient in Regional Anesthesia for
	orthopedic surgery.
2002 - 2013	Columbia/Elite Pain Management Associates, Union, N.J.
	Specializing in Minimally Invasive Pain Management Procedures, Specializing 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:

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</u>, G, 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, Lawler, G, Weissman, A, New York Society of Anesthesiologists Post Graduate Assembly, Dec 1995 Lawler, G, 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:

Jan	2016	Platelet Rich Plasma and Stem Cell Training Certificate
Sept	2014	Cooled RF Lesioning for Chronic Pain
April	2010	Endoscopic Spine Surgery
Jan	2008	Stryker Dekompressor, Percutaneous Discectomy Probe, and RF Generator
Aug	2008	ORTHO Minimally Invasive Spine Training Course
Jun	2008	Arthro Care Spine Wand Surgical Devices for Plasma Disc Decompression
Sept	2007	Advanced Bionics Advanced Training in Spinal Cord Stimulation
Mar	2007	Medtronic Spinal Cord Stimulator for Chronic Pain
Oct	2004	IDET Training and Workshop
Oct	2002	Comprehensive Interventional Cadaver Workshop

### Conferences and Special Training:

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 18th 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 25th 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 Training, 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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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, 199