

# Interventional Spine Care

## New Patient Introduction

You have been referred to **Dr. Hamburger/Dr. Olson**. Our focus is the evaluation and management of low back pain, and other disorders of the spine. Our goal is to help you improve your level of function, assist with the management of your symptoms and hopefully reduce your level of pain.

In order to develop an effective treatment plan, we need to obtain very detailed information about you and your health. Please take the time to complete the following questionnaire in its entirety, as this will assist us in your evaluation. Should any aspect of the questionnaire remain empty, we will ask that you complete the questionnaire prior to being seen by the physician – which may lead to a delay in your visit. If you have any trouble filling out the form, please advise our staff so that we may assist you.

### Center Policies:

1. Please call us at least 48 hours in advance if you are unable to keep your scheduled appointments. We do NOT currently charge for missed appointments.
2. Patients who miss scheduled appointments without adequate prior notification may be dismissed from the practice at the discretion of the physician.
3. Please make every effort to arrive on time for appointments. Late-arriving patients may have to be re-scheduled.
4. On your first visit please bring along a COMPLETE list of your medications so that we may correctly keep track of them.
5. On your first visit please bring along Hard Copies (either Films or CDs) of your recent (preferably last 2 years) MRIs, CT scans, X-rays as it relates to your pain condition.

### Chronic Pain:

1. Please understand chronic pain is different from acute pain. There is rarely “immediate” relief from chronic pain. It may require several treatments/visits to begin to determine the correct underlying diagnosis, as well as address the chronic pain and its related issues.
2. Dr. Hamburger and Dr. Olson employ a non-narcotic approach to chronic pain, and as consultants we do not take over the prescription of chronic pain medication, but will make recommendations to the referring physician.

### Outpatient Clinic:

- As this is an outpatient clinic, we do not provide emergency care. Any medical emergencies need to be addressed through an Emergency Room (E.R.) visit.

Thank you,

Adrian Hamburger, M.D. & Timothy Olson, M.D., PhD.

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## New Patient History and Intake Form

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex (M/F): \_\_\_\_\_

1) Who referred you?

Primary Care: \_\_\_\_\_

Referring Specialist: \_\_\_\_\_

### Where is your pain now?

Mark the areas on your body where you feel the sensations described below, using the appropriate symbol. Mark the areas of radiation. Include all affected areas. To complete the picture, please draw in your face.

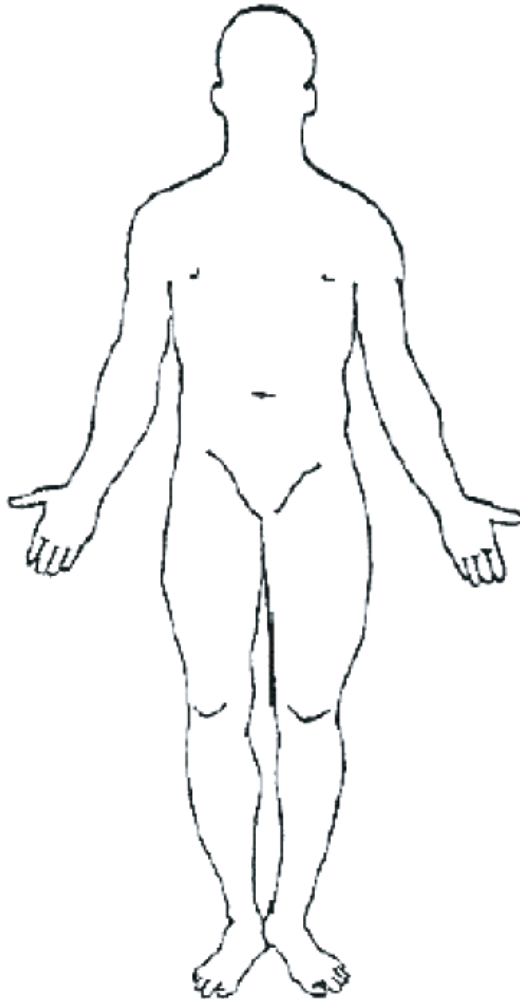
**Aching**  
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**Numbness**  
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**Pins & Needles**  
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**Burning**  
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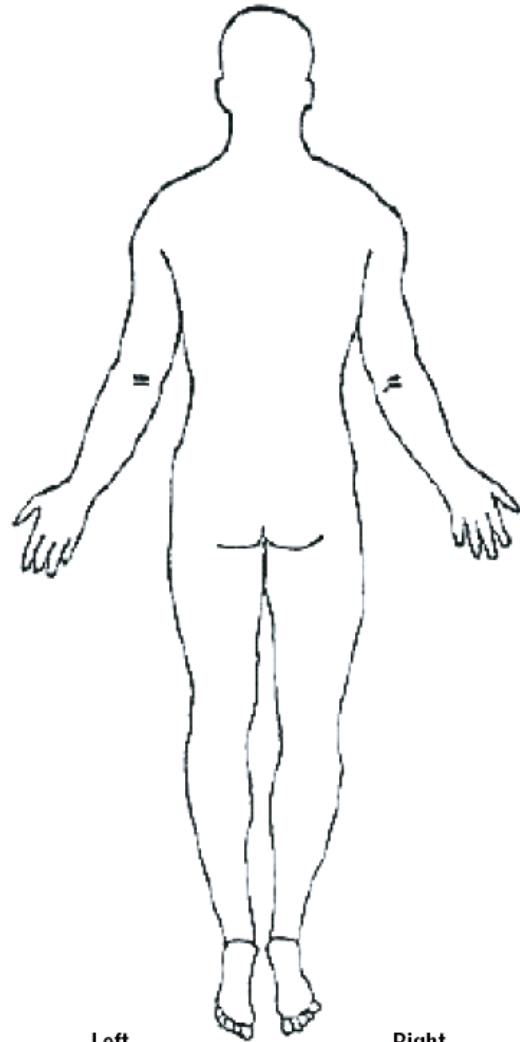
**Stabbing**  
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Right

Front

Left



Left

Back

Right

3. How did the pain start?

- Suddenly                       Pulling
- Gradually                     Injured at work
- Lifting                          Injured in auto accident
- Twisting                       Hit from behind
- Fall                              Injured during sports
- Bending                       No apparent cause

4. What activities make the pain worse?

- Exercise (during)    Bending forward
- Exercise (after)    Bending backward
- Sitting                 Coughing
- Standing              Sneezing
- Walking               Twisting

5. What reduces the pain?

- Lying down             Physical Therapy
- Sitting                  Injections
- Standing               Muscle Relaxant Pills
- Walking                Anti-inflammatory Pills
- Chiropractic          Cognitive Therapy
- TENS unit              Other: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Have you had any of these?

- |                   | Yes                      | No                       |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Diagnostic X-rays | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| CT scan           | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Myelogram         | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| EMG               | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Discogram         | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| MRI               | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Injections        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

7. Have you had any of these symptoms?

- numbness (where: \_\_\_\_\_)
- weakness (where: \_\_\_\_\_)
- loss of bladder control
- loss of bowel control

8. Have you ever been hospitalized or seen in the ER for this pain?

- No                               Yes - Number of times \_\_\_\_ Most recent visit (Date) \_\_\_\_\_

9. Have you had surgery for this problem?

- No                               Yes - What kind of surgery (ie: fusion, discectomy): \_\_\_\_\_

**Major Illness or Medical Problems:**

- Diabetes                       High Blood Pressure             Heart Disease                       Asthma
- Emphysema                   Hepatitis                               High Cholesterol                   Glaucoma
- Heart Attack (When: \_\_\_\_\_)                       Seizures

Other Medical Problems: \_\_\_\_\_

**Past Surgeries** (please include dates):

Rate your pain by circling the number that describes your pain at its **WORST** (0=No Pain)

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Rate your pain by circling the number that describes your pain at its **LEAST** (0=No Pain)

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Rate your pain by circling the number that describes your pain on the **AVERAGE**

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

- 1 - Easy to ignore, 2 - Tolerable, 3 - Distracting
- 4 - Distressing and Interferes with activities
- 5 - Very Distressing/prevents some activities
- 6 - Very Distressing/Trouble with simple activities
- 7 - Need Help from others for simple activities
- 8 - Pain prevents movement, 9 - Screaming/Agony
- 10 - Passing out due to pain

**12. Allergies:**

- Contrast dye (or Iodine)
- Antibiotic(s): \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**13. Medications:**

Please list your **current** Pain Medications:

\_\_\_\_\_

Please list your **current** Regular Medications:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- Plavix                       Coumadin                       Ticlid

Any other blood-thinner

If female: pregnant/breast-feeding?  Yes  No



**Family History** (please list any major health problems)

Mother's age: \_\_\_\_ (  deceased ) \_\_\_\_\_

Father's age: \_\_\_\_ (  deceased ) \_\_\_\_\_

Siblings: \_\_\_\_\_

Children: \_\_\_\_\_

**Social History:**

Single    Married    Separated/Divorced    Widowed

Name of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  Retired    Unemployed    Disability

If you had an injury, was it work related?  Yes  No

Disability:  Yes  No Since: \_\_\_\_\_ (please indicate Year of disability)

Litigation: Are you currently involved or planning on initiating a legal case?  Yes  No

Tobacco:

Yes-Currently    Yes-in the past    No-never

How many packs/day? \_\_\_\_\_ How many years did you smoke for? \_\_\_\_\_

When did you quit? \_\_\_\_\_

Alcohol:

Yes  No   If yes, how many drinks/day? \_\_\_\_\_

Illicit Drug Abuse:

Marijuana  Heroin  Cocaine  Amphetamines  None

Have you ever had a problem w/ prescription medications (ie: misuse, abuse, addiction)?

Yes  No   Which drugs? \_\_\_\_\_

History of Alcohol Abuse:  Yes  No

History of Substance Abuse:  Yes  No

**Review of Symptoms** (please check the box if you have had any of these symptoms recently):

**Constitutional:**

Fatigue    Unexpected Weight loss    Unexpected Weight gain  
 Fever    Chills

**Pulmonary/Respiratory:**

Shortness of breath    Cough    Blood    Wheezing

**Cardiac/Heart:**

Chest Pain    Palpitations    Arrhythmia  
 Leg swelling    Valve disease

**Gastro-intestinal:**

Loss of appetite    Difficulty Swallowing    Nausea    Constipation  
 Hemorrhoids    Blood in stool    Ulcers    Diarrhea

**Genito-Urinary:**

Frequent urination    Difficulty urinating    Painful intercourse    Menstrual problems  
 Pain during urination    Kidney Stones    Blood in urine    Prostate problems

**Hematologic**

Tender lymph nodes    Anemia    Bleeding gums    Bleeding disorder

**Musculoskeletal:**

Joint Pain    Muscle Cramps    Fractures    Difficulty walking  
(requiring cane/walker)

**Skin:**

Dry Skin    Itching    Rash    Jaundice

**Neurological:**

Headaches    Seizures    Paralysis    Dizziness    Vertigo

**Psychological/Psychiatric:**

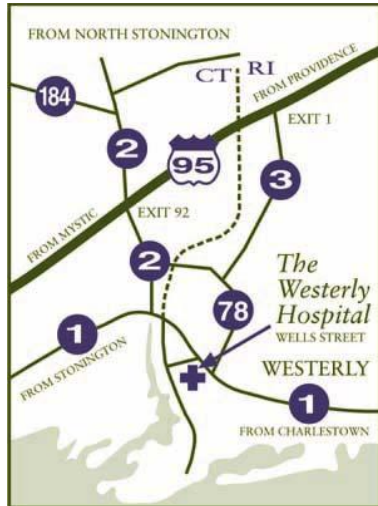
Depression    Anxiety    Sleep disorder    Suicide attempts  
 Suicidal thoughts    Mood swings    Confusion    Memory Loss

**Endocrine:**

Goiter    Diabetes    Hair loss    Poor Tolerance of Heat or Cold

## Location and Directions

**Westerly** Office is located on the 2nd floor of the Morgan Building.  
45 Wells Street – Suite 201  
Westerly, RI 02891  
Tel (401) 348-3865  
Fax (401) 596-6368



### From Rhode Island

Take I-95 South to exit 1. Bear right onto Route 3 and follow to Route 78. Take 78 East to Route 1 and turn right. Follow to the third traffic light; turn left onto Wells Street.

### From Connecticut

Take I-95 North to exit 92. Bear right onto Route 2. Follow to Route 78 East. Take 78 East to Route 1 and turn right. Follow to the third traffic light; turn left onto Wells Street.

**Wakefield** Office is located in the South County Internal Medicine/XRA building:  
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