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# Holistic Treatment Options for Peripheral Neuropathy







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#### Before We Begin



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Peripheral Neuropathy: A Holistic Approach

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#### Who Benefits From an Integrative Medicine Consult?

Short answer: *everyone!* For patients who want to live a healthier lifestyle to providing complementary support for a medical condition, our team is ready.

Our skilled team provides acupuncture, medical massage therapy, yoga classes, trauma-informed counseling, and holistic nursing care. An infant, child, teen, or adult might benefit from an integrative approach for:

- Persistent or occasional pain
- Digestive/intestinal conditions
- Chronic health conditions
- Type 2 diabetes
- Feeding or nutrition concerns

- Sleep issues
- Emotional life transitions
- Heart health
- Cancer prevention & support during treatment
- Stress and anxiety
- Women's health
- Fatigue
- Overall wellness

## The Center for Health & Integrative Medicine

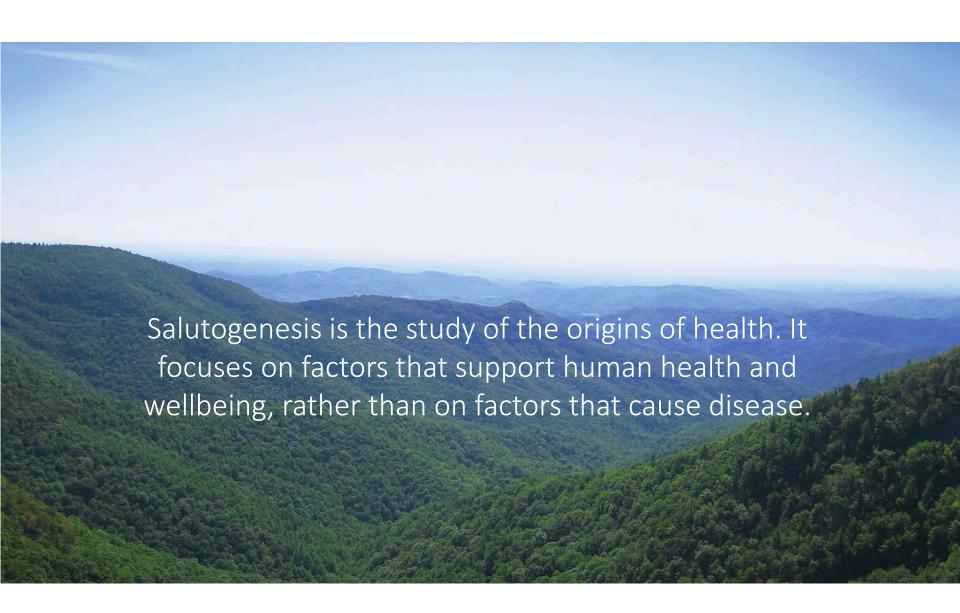
The Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital Center for Health and Integrative Medicine brings conventional and complementary methods together. We emphasize a holistic, individualized approach to achieving optimal health and well-being.







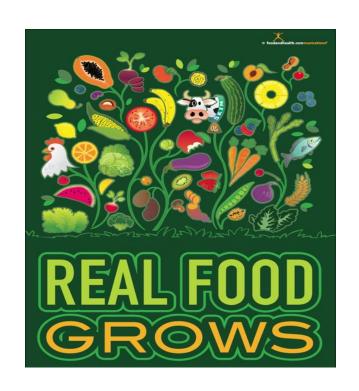






### **Culinary Medicine**

Culinary medicine is an evidenced-based field in medicine that blends the art of food and cooking with the science of medicine.





#### **NOVA Food classification**

Unprocessed or minimally processed foods	Processed culinary ingredients	Processed foods	Ultra-processed foods		
Foods which did not undergo processing or underwent minimal processing technics, such as fractioning, grinding, pasteurization and others.	These are obtained from minimally processed foods and used to season, cook and create culinary dishes.	These are unprocessed or minimally processed foods or culinary dishes which have been added processed culinary ingredients. They are necessarily industrialized.	These are food products derived from foods or parts of foods, being added cosmetic food additives not used in culinary.		
	Salt		Coining		
Legumes, vegetables, fruits, starchy roots and tubers, grains, nuts, beef, eggs, chicken, milk	Salt, sugar, vegetable oils, butter and other fats.	Bottled vegetables or meat in salt solution, fruits in syrup or candied, bread, cheeses, purees or pastes.	Breast milk substitutes, infant formulas, cookies, ice cream, shakes, ready-to-eat meals, soft drinks and other sugary drinks, hamburgers, nuggets.		





Fiber: Whole Grains, Nuts, Seeds, Beans, Vegetables, Fruits

Fermented Foods



#### **Prebiotic Foods**

#### Inulin

Bananas
Asparagus
Burdock
Chicory
Dandelion
Root
Jerusalem
artichoke
Garlic
Leeks
Onions

#### **Dietary Fiber Insoluble Fiber**

wheat bran, flaxseed, lentils, celery, okra, raspberries

#### Soluble fiber

Psyllium, oats, legumes, tubers, banana, pear

#### **Pectin**

Citrus peels
Pears
Apples
Guavas
Quince
Plums
Gooseberries
Polysaccharide
Mushrooms



#### **Probiotic Foods: Fermented Foods**

- Yogurt
- Kefir
- Sour cream
- Sweet acidophilus milk
- Fermented soft cheeses
- Sauerkraut
- Kimchi
- Miso
- Tempeh
- Kombucha
- Sourdough breads
- Vegetables pickled in salt





#### **Treatment Choices**

#### **Supplements**

- Alpha lipoic acid
- N –acetyl cysteine
- CoQ10
- Vitamin B6/B12/B7
- Omega 3 Fatty Acids



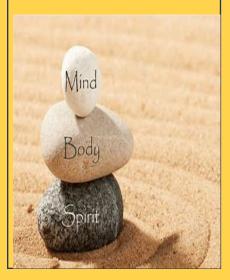


#### **Botanicals**

- Capsaicin patch/ cream
- Evening primrose oil
- Rhodiola
- Berberine
- Lions Mane

#### **Mind Body**

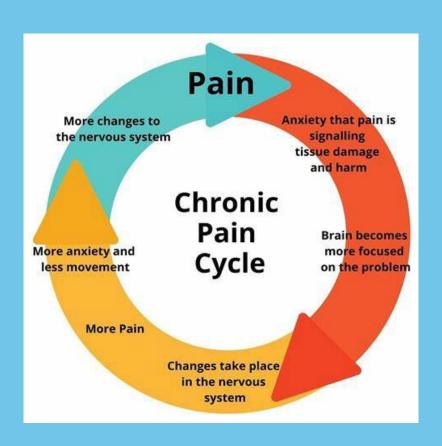
- Tai Chi
- MBSR
- Yoga



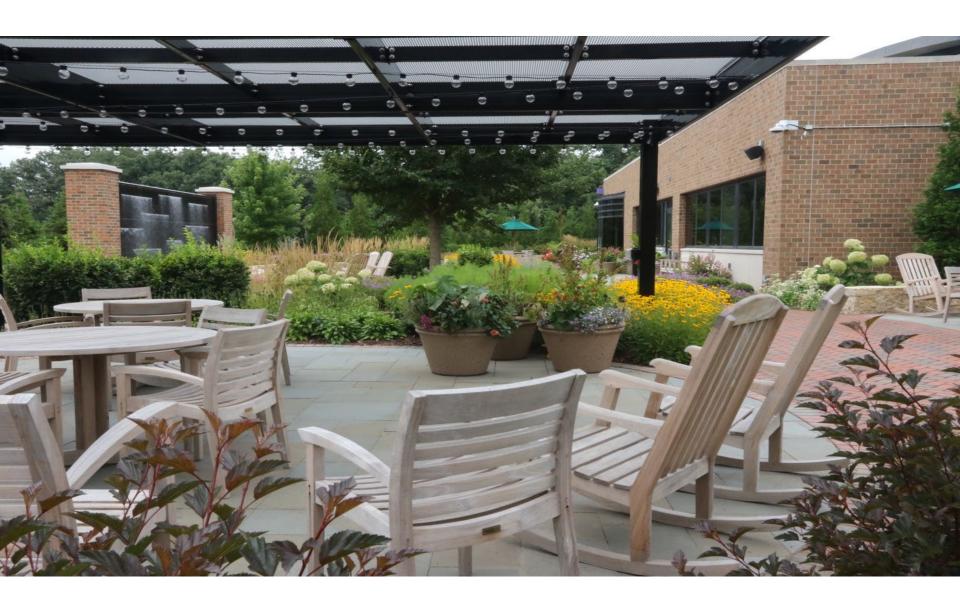


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ENERGY & STAMINA*			✓	✓			✓	
GLYCEMIC BALANCE*			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
HEART SUPPORT*				✓			✓	
IMMUNE RESPONSE*		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
LIVER & METABOLIC DETOX*			✓	✓			✓	✓
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MOOD, STRESS & SLEEP SUPPORT*					✓		✓	
NERVE SUPPORT*				✓	✓		✓	
PERFORMANCE & ATHLETIC RECOVERY*			✓	✓			✓	









#### Acupuncture-Traditional definition

- Based on the concept that energy, or Qi, flows through and around the body along meridians
- It is believed that illness occurs when something blocks or disrupts the balance of Qi.
- Acupuncture is a way to unblock or influence Qi to achieve balance and harmony





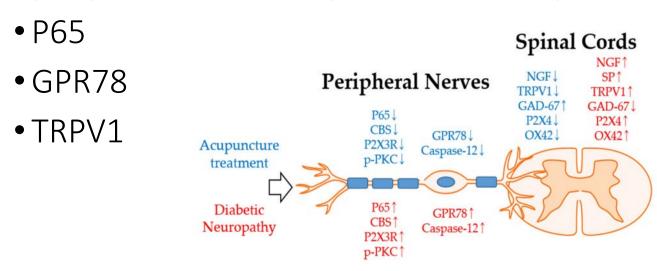
- 12 Main Meridians
- 365 points on the meridians
- Over 2000 points including extra points and Auricular points
- Each acupuncture point has defined therapeutic actions

## How does acupuncture work? Western explanation

- Stimulates the release of Endorphins and other opioids
- Increases the production and release of neurotransmitters
- Blocks pain signals to the brain
- Increases blood flow
- Decreases inflammation
- Stimulates the bodies innate healing abilities

#### Specific to peripheral neuropathy

 Mediated through various molecules present in the peripheral nervous system and the spinal cord



#### Research

- In the last 20 years has grown at twice the rate of research into conventional biomedicine
- Over the last 20 years there have been over 13,000 studies conducted in 60 countries
- The Acupuncture Evidence Project found evidence for the effectiveness of acupuncture for 117 conditions
- The World Health Organization recommends acupuncture for over 100 conditions

Effect of Acupuncture on Diabetic Neuropathy: A Narrative Review International Journal of Molecular Sciences, 2021 Aug: 22(16): 8575

#### Outcomes

Neuropathy Disability Score (NDS)

Vibration Perception Threshold (VPT)

Visual Analogue Scale (VAS)

Neuropathic pain symptom inventory (NPSI)

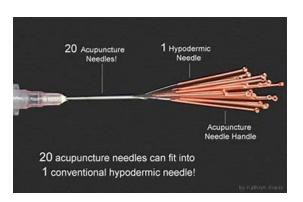
Diabetic Peripheral neuropathic pain impact (DPNPI)

Median nerve sensory and motor conduction velocity

Common peroneal nerve sensory and motor conduction velocity

#### What does Acupuncture offer?

- Non-invasive
- No drug related side effects
- Thousands of years of results
- A holistic approach to mind, body and spirit
- Effective for all ages
- An adjunct treatment with Western medicine
- Preventive medicine
- Assists you to achieve your maximum health potential



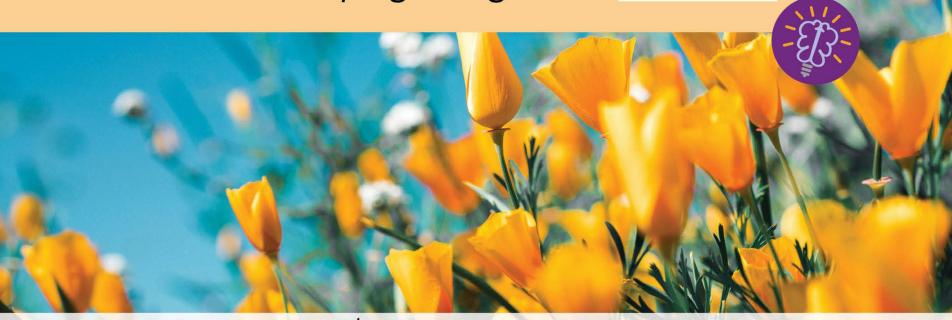


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- Wednesday, July 31, 6pm CT | 7pm ET: Living Well with Peripheral Neuropathy: Enhancing Quality of Life
- Thursday, August 1, 11am CT | 12pm ET: Empower Your Voice:
   Advocating for Peripheral Neuropathy

