

Vishal Kancherla, DO, Medical Expert Witness

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CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Texas Orthopedics
Physiatrist
Spine and Large Joint Pain Care
April 2018-present

Austin Diagnostic Clinic
Physiatrist
Spine and Large Joint Pain Care
April 2009- May 2018

Virginia Spine Institute
Physiatrist
Interventional Spine and Pain Care
Sept 2006-Feb 2009

CURRENT PRACTICE

I am dually Board Certified in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and Pain Medicine. I am fellowship-trained in spinal and large joint (hip, knee, and shoulder) injuries and procedures. I diagnose and treat spine and large joint pain, to restore function and reduce or eliminate pain.

MEDICO-LEGAL WORK

Thirteen years of wide-ranging medico-legal experience focusing on the causation and treatment of musculoskeletal and spinal injuries, related to MVAs, workplace incidents/accidents, personal injury cases, and medical malpractice.

I have performed hundreds of record reviews for law firms, insurance companies, and independent review organizations. I am a persuasive and effective expert witness. My reports are meticulous and detail-oriented, with an emphasis on objective data and image interpretation.

I have an extensive knowledge base and use the official disability guidelines. I am a persuasive and effective expert witness with a heavy focus on objective data, image interpretation, and meticulous focus on details.

I perform the following spinal treatment procedures weekly.

PROCEDURES & TREATMENTS

- Radiofrequency Ablation
- Spinal Cord Stimulators
- Nerve Blocks
- Epidural Steroid Injections
- Spine Injections
- Sacroiliac Injections
- Trigger Point Injections
- Joint Injections
- Regenerative Medicine
- Transforaminal Epidural Steroid Injections
- Ultrasound Guided Injections
- Fluoroscopic Guided Injections
- Complications of Interventional Spine Procedures

I currently opine on the diagnosis and treatment of the following injuries and conditions:

INJURIES & CONDITIONS - CAUSATION & TREATMENT

- Whiplash
- Low Back Pain
- Neck Pain
- Thoracic Pain
- Sciatica
- Spinal Stenosis
- Radiculopathy
- Nerve Pain
- Spinal Fractures
- Tendon And Ligament Injuries
- Headaches
- Neuropathic Pain
- Opioid And Pharmaceutical Management
- Chiropractic Care
- Physical Therapy
- Complications Related To Interventional Pain Procedures
- Hip Injuries
- Knee Injuries
- Shoulder Injuries

CERTIFICATIONS

Diplomate, American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	Current
Diplomate, American Board of Pain Medicine	Current
Texas Medical Board	Current
Basic Cardiac Life Support, Advanced Cardiac Life Support	Current
NIH Office of Human Subjects Research- Certification for “ Protecting Human Research Participants”	Current

EDUCATION

Fellowship	Florida Spine Institute Clearwater, FL	2005-July 2006
	Pain Management and Musculoskeletal Medicine: Educated in the theory and practice of musculoskeletal disorders of the spine and joints. Trained in the principles of diagnoses and pain management with	

emphasis on interventional spinal injections, electromyography, radiology and modalities available in the treatment of various back and joint disorders.

Residency	Thomas Jefferson University Hospital Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation: Extensive training in Electrodiagnostic Medicine, Orthopedics, Pain Medicine, Orthotics and Sports and Musculoskeletal Medicine	2002-2005
Internship	Saint Clare's Hospital and Health Center New York, NY Rotating Osteopathic Internship	2001-2002
Medical School	University of North Texas Health Science Center Fort Worth, TX Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine	1997-2001
Undergraduate	Houston Baptist University B.S. in Biology and Chemistry	1992-1996

HONORS AND AWARDS

Austin Monthly's Top Doctors 2022,2024	2015, 2021,
Patient's Choice Award, Vitals.com	
ADC Physician of the Quarter	
Winner of "Project Health Design" by Robert Wood Johnson Foundation for designing the <i>Pain Care</i> smartphone application in conjunction with Ringful LLC	2010
AOCPMR Resident Writing Award	2005
Rehabilitation Medicine Award for Scholarly Activity, Department of PM&R, TJUH	2005
Rehab Medicine Award for Medical Student Teaching, Department of PM&R, TJUH	2005
Pennsylvania Academy of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation Travel Scholarship	2004
The 2 nd Joint Scientific Meeting of the American Pain Society Travel Scholarship	2004
Epsilon Tau Alpha Chapter of Sigma Phi National Osteopathic Honor Fraternity	1999
Texas Medical Association Physician Oncology Education Program's Medical Student Scholarship for Cancer Education	1999, 1997
USAA- United States Achievement Academy	1996
NCSGA- National Collegiate Student Government Award	1996
Albert P.and Mamie George Endowed Academic Scholarship (Full Tuition Scholarship- 4years)	1992
National Merit Corporation Academic Scholarship (4years)	1992

RESEARCH

- The E-STIM Trial: A Randomized, Double-Blind, Multicenter Trial Comparing the Efficacy of the Empi Select Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulation (TENS) to a Control for the Treatment of Chronic Lower Back Pain 2008
-Principle Investigator
- AVINZA Control of Chronic pain, Effectiveness and Safety Study (ACCESS 2008) A Multi-Center Study to Evaluate the Effectiveness and Tolerability of AVINZA for Chronic Moderate-Severe Pain: A Focus on Risk Minimization Assessment, Intervention and Outcomes 2008
-Principle Investigator
- Modified Nerve Conduction Study Technique of the Lateral Cutaneous Nerve of the Calf. Kancherla V, Sridhara C.S., 2004
- Research Project: Characterization of *Pim 1* mutant gene. 1995
Baylor College of Medicine, Department of Biochemistry,
Shelley S. Sazer, Ph.D.

PUBLICATIONS

- Kancherla V, Ahmadian A.** 2017 Comprehensive Pain Management in the Rehabilitation Patient. Trigger Point Injections for the Treatment of Pain in the Rehabilitation Patient. pp 435-440. Springer International Publishing, Switzerland
- Kancherla V, Cortez A.** 2017 Comprehensive Pain Management in the Rehabilitation Patient. Intra-articular Joint and Bursa Injections for the Treatment of Pain in the Rehabilitation Patient. pp 441-446. Springer International Publishing, Switzerland
- Mukai A, **Kancherla V.** Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Clinics of North America. Interventional Procedures for Cervical Pain. pp 539-549. August 2011, Volume:22, Number 3. W.B. Saunders Company, Philadelphia PA.
- Kancherla V.** Journal of the Spinal Research Foundation. Electrodiagnostic Medicine. pp 12-13. Spring 2008.
- Kancherla V.** Journal of the Spinal Research Foundation. The Anatomy of Nerve Damage: Changes in Structure Affect Function. pp 5-7. Spring 2008.
- Botwin K, **Kancherla V,** Palmissano B. 2007 Minimally Invasive Musculoskeletal Pain Medicine. Epidural steroid injections. pp 203-235. Informa Healthcare USA, Inc, New York, NY

Ankam N, **Kancherla V**, Jacobs S. 67th Annual Assembly Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Technical Exhibition, Poster Presentation: Rehabilitation of a Patient with Diabetic Myonecrosis, Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, 11/2007, Volume:87, E34.

Kancherla V, Sridhara C.S., 65th Annual Assembly Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Technical Exhibition, Poster Presentation: "Sling-Effect"- A Rare Cause of Bilateral Suprascapular Neuropathy, Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, 10/2004, Volume: 85, page 21.

Saulino M, **Kancherla V** , 65th Annual Assembly Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Technical Exhibition, Poster Presentation: Effects of Intrathecal Baclofen on Glycemic Management in a Diabetic Quadriplegic Patient, Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, 10/2004, Volume: 85, page 50.

PRESENTATIONS

Non-operative Treatments for Spinal Pain	Worker's Compensation Seminar Virginia Spine Institute	Feb 2007
Effects of Intrathecal Baclofen on Glycemic Management in a Diabetic Quadriplegic Patient	Poster presented at AAPMR Annual Assembly; Phoenix, AZ	Oct 2004
A Case of Suprascapular Neuropathy- Anatomy, Function, and Pathophysiology of Peripheral Nerve Compression	Rehabilitation Medicine Grand Rounds Thomas Jefferson University Hospital	Sep 2004
"Sling-Effect"-A Rare Cause of Bilateral Suprascapular Neuropathy	The Pennsylvania Academy of PM&R Hershey, PA Poster presented at AAPMR Annual Assembly; Phoenix, AZ	May 2004 Oct 2004
Neuromodulation in Pain Management	Rehabilitation Medicine Grand Rounds Thomas Jefferson University Hospital	March 2004
The Principles of Manual Medicine-The Thoracic Spine	Rehabilitation Medicine Grand Rounds Thomas Jefferson University Hospital	April 2002

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS

Texas Medical Association
American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (AAPM&R)
American Medical Association

MEDICAL VOLUNTEER WORK

Medical Missions Trip. Piedras Negras, Mexico. Established and managed make-shift clinics in underserved areas 1994
Medical Missions Trip. Matamoras, Mexico. 1993

MEDIA and MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

TV Interview: KXAN Channel 36, Austin News: The benefits, risks and indications of steroid injections for pain. May 22, 2011

TV Interview :KXAN Channel 36, Austin News,: An overview on low back pain. October 24, 2010

Ringful Health, LLC
2009-10

Integral team member of a start-up company with a platform of developing healthcare smartphone apps to optimize patient care. Led the design and development of *Pain Care*, a unique and award-winning smartphone app helping patients to manage their chronic pain. Available for iPhone and Android systems.