

# Southern Pain and Neurological Consultants



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**C**hronic pain is a prison. It keeps those who suffer from it trapped and unable to do the things they want to do. And the stress from the pain and lack of freedom due to the pain affects their personalities, too, darkening their moods and even affecting interpersonal relationships. At Southern Pain and Neurological Consultants, a caring team of medical professionals is there to help patients escape the burden of their pain and help them to return to their normal, happy lives.

The doctors at Southern Pain and Neurological Consultants offer a number of different and unique services to their patients. Dr. Paul Hubbell, the clinic's owner, does a lot of work with patients

who are suffering from lower back pain, an affliction that affects countless Americans. "Low back pain is the most expensive 'benign' condition in industrialized countries and the second most common reason for physician visits," Dr. Hubbell said.

80% of the population will be affected by lower back pain at some point in their lives. Most of the time, the pain will cease within 6 weeks. Unfortunately, recurrence rates are as high as 60-85%. The good news is Southern Pain and Neurological Consultants offers new, non-invasive outpatient procedures that result in pain relief with less post-op pain and downtime for the patient.

Southern Pain and Neurological Consultants also made an exciting addition to their staff of physicians this year with the addition of Dr. Donald Richardson, an esteemed functional neurosurgeon who has been practicing since 1963. He developed the 1st deep brain implant for patients with Parkinson's Disease in 1973. He commonly works with peripheral nerve stimulation, spinal cord stimulation, neurological evaluations, and does deep brain electrode implants to help patients suffering from things like intractable pain, obsessive compulsive disorder, depression, and Tourette's syndrome.

Even though he has already had a long and distinguished career, Dr. Richardson has no interest in slowing down. He's still learning, studying, and developing new treatments in an effort to better help his patients.

And at Southern Pain & Neurological Consultants, the patients are what it's all about. The doctors get their joy from seeing their patients walk out of the office free of the chronic pain that's been holding them back for months or even years. "We help people no one else has been able to," Dr. Richardson said.

*Southern Pain and Neurological Consultants is located at 2701 Lake Villa Dr., Ste. A in Metairie and also has locations at 1849 Barataria Blvd, Ste. C in Marrero and 64026 Hwy 434, Ste. 230 in Lacombe. For more information, visit the website at [www.southernpainclinic.com](http://www.southernpainclinic.com) or call (800)277-1265.*

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