

## 1: Chapter Information Systems Development – Information Systems for Business and Beyond

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List of characters in the Metal Gear series In contrast to previous Metal Gear installments, Kojima Productions conducted the voice acting and motion capture with English-speaking actors and stuntmen first. While facial capturing was used before for Metal Gear Solid 4, it was done separately from the actual voice acting. Metal Gear Solid V: Snake himself will be more of a silent protagonist similar to Mad Max in Mad Max 2. Hollywood producer and director Avi Arad suggested to Kojima that Sutherland could fulfill his requirements. Emmerich [49] and Piers Stubbs as Eli. Ground Zeroes , Big Boss awakens from a coma in a hospital in Cyprus. Quiet , a Cipher assassin, tries to kill him, but Big Boss is rescued by a heavily bandaged man called Ishmael. Although Big Boss loses sight of Ishmael, he is recovered by his ally Revolver Ocelot and brought aboard Diamond Dogs , a new mercenary group founded by Kazuhira Miller on an offshore platform near Seychelles. Big Boss adopts the code name " Venom Snake " and begins searching for Cipher. During his journey, Snake becomes involved in the Soviet-Afghan and the Angolan Civil Wars, and he recruits Quiet, who no longer speaks and has gained superhuman abilities; scientist Dr. Huey Emmerich ; Eli , a British child believed to be a clone of Snake , who leads a band of child soldiers; and Code Talker , a Navajo expert on parasites forced to work for Cipher. To avoid this, he intends to release a unique parasite that kills anyone who speaks English. After releasing the English strain parasite, Skull Face plans to make nuclear weapons available to as many groups as he can, believing that nuclear deterrence will stop the weapons actually being used, attaining world peace while still protecting the integrity of each culture. However, he will secretly retain remote control of the weapons. Skull Face is left to die by Snake and Miller but Huey executes him. The Diamond Dogs return to their base with Sahelanthropus. Following their return, Eli, the Third Child, and the child soldiers steal Sahelanthropus and flee the base. An epidemic of parasites occurs on base forcing Snake to personally kill many of his own men to contain it. To honor them, he has their cremated remains turned into diamonds to carry into battle. Huey is accused of causing the epidemic while attempting to mutate the parasites to sell as weapons. Strangelove while arguing over using their son in experiments, Snake exiles him from Diamond Dogs. Following this event, Quiet disappears in Afghanistan. Code Talker reveals that Quiet was infected with the English strain parasite with the intention of joining Diamond Dogs in order to spread it, but her allegiance shifted to Snake and so she remained silent to prevent an outbreak. Snake finds her and helps her fight an onslaught of vehicles. They defeat the wave but as another one approaches they are forced to hide in a sandstorm. Quiet is then forced to speak to summon help when Snake is bitten by a venomous snake. She flees to avoid causing another epidemic. During his coma, the medic was transformed into a second Big Boss via plastic surgery and hypnotherapy to serve as a decoy for the actual Big Boss while he wages a covert war against Cipher. Snake goes on to set the events of the Outer Heaven uprising in motion and dies at the hands of Solid Snake. The original Big Boss resurfaces during the Zanzibar Land disturbance. The site was recruiting staff for the GDC pavilion in March, and requested applications for several positions for the latest Metal Gear Solid targeted for "high-end consoles" and "next-gen Fox engine". Ground Zeroes at a private function celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Metal Gear series on August 30, The game later made its public debut two days later at the Penny Arcade Expo. He claimed that his aim was to target taboos and mature themes, which he considered to be "quite risky", adding that his roles as creator and producer were in conflict with one another; as creator, Kojima wanted to take the risk of exploring themes that might alienate audiences, but as producer, he had to be able to tone down the content in order to sell as many copies of the game as possible. Ultimately, the role of creator won out, and Kojima described his approach as "prioritizing creativity over sales". After Keighley pointed out the Fox Engine logo in the screenshots, Mogren appeared nervous and the segment abruptly ended. He also stated that he would like Metal Gear Solid V to be his final Metal Gear game, noting that unlike previous titles where he had announced that he had finished making games in the series, only to return for subsequent games, his involvement with the franchise would be over this time around. Although the trailer had Snake suffering from hallucinations in the form of a flaming whale,

Kojima assured that there would be a balance in realism. On June 10, , at E3 , a fourth trailer was shown at the Microsoft press conference, demonstrating the new play mechanics, as well as the cast of characters. The development of an Xbox One version was also announced at the conference. The developers aimed to improve the technical quality for the versions released for the eighth generation of consoles. To accomplish this, the loss of Mother Base, which the player developed throughout Peace Walker, would serve as motivation for revenge for both Snake and the player. Kojima also tried making Snake relatable to newcomers of the series by making him unaware of what happened in the nine years during which he was in a coma. It was released on September 2, . The tapes include a variety of pop songs, instrumentals, and theme music from previous games in the Metal Gear series. Dispute between Konami and Kojima[ edit ] Further information: Ground Zeroes and Metal Gear Solid: The Phantom Pain was released in different editions. Special Day One editions of the game for each platform featured downloadable content DLC vouchers for special weapons and Metal Gear Online experience points. Game files are not included on-disc and must be downloaded. Eyeglasses maker JF Rey produced themed eyewear patterned after what Kaz and Ocelot are wearing in the game. The bundle includes the Ground Zeroes prologue and The Phantom Pain in one package, along with all previously released downloadable content for both games.

## 2: Peripheral Neuropathy Fact Sheet | National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke

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Where can I get more information? What is peripheral neuropathy? Peripheral neuropathy refers to the many conditions that involve damage to the peripheral nervous system, the vast communication network that sends signals between the central nervous system the brain and spinal cord and all other parts of the body. Peripheral nerves send many types of sensory information to the central nervous system CNS , such as a message that the feet are cold. They also carry signals from the CNS to the rest of the body. Best known are the signals to the muscles that tell them to contract, which is how we move, but there are different types of signals that help control everything from our heart and blood vessels, digestion, urination, sexual function, to our bones and immune system. The peripheral nerves are like the cables that connect the different parts of a computer or connect the Internet. When they malfunction, complex functions can grind to a halt. Nerve signaling in neuropathy is disrupted in three ways: The symptoms depend on the type of nerve fibers affected and the type and severity of damage. Symptoms may develop over days, weeks, or years. In some cases, the symptoms improve on their own and may not require advanced care. Unlike nerve cells in the central nervous system, peripheral nerve cells continue to grow throughout life. Some forms of neuropathy involve damage to only one nerve called mononeuropathy. Neuropathy affecting two or more nerves in different areas is called multiple mononeuropathy or mononeuropathy multiplex. More often, many or most of the nerves are affected called polyneuropathy. Neuropathy is often misdiagnosed due to its complex array of symptoms. More than types of peripheral neuropathy have been identified, each with its own symptoms and prognosis. Symptoms vary depending on the type of nervesâ€”motor, sensory, or autonomicâ€”that are damaged. Motor nerves control the movement of all muscles under conscious control, such as those used for walking, grasping things, or talking. Sensory nerves transmit information such as the feeling of a light touch, temperature, or the pain from a cut. Autonomic nerves control organs to regulate activities that people do not control consciously, such as breathing, digesting food, and heart and gland functions. Most neuropathies affect all three types of nerve fibers to varying degrees; others primarily affect one or two types. Doctors use terms such as predominantly motor neuropathy, predominantly sensory neuropathy, sensory-motor neuropathy, or autonomic neuropathy to describe different conditions. In severe cases, such neuropathies can spread upwards toward the central parts of the body. In non-length dependent polyneuropathies, the symptoms can start more toward the torso, or are patchy. What are the symptoms of peripheral nerve damage? Symptoms are related to the type of nerves affected. Motor nerve damage is most commonly associated with muscle weakness. Other symptoms include painful cramps, fasciculations uncontrolled muscle twitching visible under the skin and muscle shrinking. Sensory nerve damage causes various symptoms because sensory nerves have a broad range of functions. Damage to large sensory fibers harms the ability to feel vibrations and touch, especially in the hands and feet. You may feel as if you are wearing gloves and stockings even when you are not. This damage may contribute to the loss of reflexes as can motor nerve damage. Loss of position sense often makes people unable to coordinate complex movements like walking or fastening buttons or maintaining their balance when their eyes are shut. Small-fiber polyneuropathy can interfere with the ability to feel pain or changes in temperature. Neuropathic pain is sometimes worse at night, disrupting sleep. It can be caused by pain receptors firing spontaneously without any known trigger, or by difficulties with signal processing in the spinal cord that may cause you to feel severe pain allodynia from a light touch that is normally painless. For example, you might experience pain from the touch of your bedsheets, even when draped lightly over the body. Autonomic nerve damage affects the axons in small-fiber neuropathies. Common symptoms include excess sweating, heat intolerance, inability to expand and contract the small blood vessels that regulate blood pressure, and gastrointestinal symptoms. Although rare, some people develop problems eating or swallowing if the nerves that control the esophagus are affected. There are several types of peripheral neuropathies, the most common

of which is linked to diabetes. Common types of focal located to just one part of the body mononeuropathy include carpal tunnel syndrome, which affects the hand and the wrist, and meralgia paresthetica, which causes numbness and tingling on one thigh. Complex regional pain syndrome is a class of lingering neuropathies where small-fibers are mostly damaged. Acquired neuropathies are either symptomatic the result of another disorder or condition; see below or idiopathic meaning it has no known cause. Causes of symptomatic acquired peripheral neuropathy include: Physical injury trauma is the most common cause of acquired single-nerve injury. Injury from automobile accidents, falls, sports, and medical procedures can stretch, crush, or compress nerves, or detach them from the spinal cord. Less severe traumas also can cause serious nerve damage. Broken or dislocated bones can exert damaging pressure on neighboring nerves and slipped disks between vertebrae can compress nerve fibers where they emerge from the spinal cord. Arthritis, prolonged pressure on a nerve such as by a cast or repetitive, forceful activities can cause ligaments or tendons to swell, which narrows slender nerve pathways. Ulnar neuropathy and carpal tunnel syndrome are common types of neuropathy from trapped or compressed nerves at the elbow or wrist. In some cases, there are underlying medical causes such as diabetes that prevent the nerves from tolerating the stresses of everyday living. Diabetes is the leading cause of polyneuropathy in the United States. About 60 - 70 percent of people with diabetes have mild to severe forms of damage to sensory, motor, and autonomic nerves that cause such symptoms as numb, tingling, or burning feet, one-sided bands or pain, and numbness and weakness on the trunk or pelvis. Vascular and blood problems that decrease oxygen supply to the peripheral nerves can lead to nerve tissue damage. Diabetes, smoking, and narrowing of the arteries from high blood pressure or atherosclerosis fatty deposits on the inside of blood vessel walls can lead to neuropathy. Blood vessel wall thickening and scarring from vasculitis can impede blood flow and cause patchy nerve damage in which isolated nerves in different areas are damaged—called mononeuropathy multiplex or multifocal mononeuropathy. Autoimmune diseases that attack nerves only are often triggered by recent infections. They can develop quickly or slowly, while others become chronic and fluctuate in severity. Multifocal motor neuropathy is a form of inflammatory neuropathy that affects motor nerves exclusively. In other autoimmune neuropathies the small fibers are attacked, leaving people with unexplained chronic pain and autonomic symptoms. Hormonal imbalances can disturb normal metabolic processes, leading to swollen tissues that can press on peripheral nerves. Kidney and liver disorders can lead to abnormally high amounts of toxic substances in the blood that can damage nerve tissue. Most individuals on dialysis because of kidney failure develop varying levels of polyneuropathy. Nutritional or vitamin imbalances, alcoholism, and exposure to toxins can damage nerves and cause neuropathy. Vitamin B12 deficiency and excess vitamin B6 are the best known vitamin-related causes. Several medications have been shown to occasionally cause neuropathy. Certain cancers and benign tumors cause neuropathy in various ways. Tumors sometimes infiltrate or press on nerve fibers. Chemotherapy drugs used to treat cancer cause polyneuropathy in an estimated 30 to 40 percent of users. Only certain chemotherapy drugs cause neuropathy and not all people get it. Chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy may continue long after stopping chemotherapy. Radiation therapy also can cause nerve damage, sometimes starting months or years later. Infections can attack nerve tissues and cause neuropathy. Viruses such as varicella-zoster virus which causes chicken pox and shingles, West Nile virus, cytomegalovirus, and herpes simplex target sensory fibers, causing attacks of sharp, lightning-like pain. Lyme disease, carried by tick bites, can cause a range of neuropathic symptoms, often within a few weeks of being infected. An estimated 30 percent of people who are HIV-positive develop peripheral neuropathy; 20 percent develop distal away from the center of the body neuropathic pain. Genetically-caused polyneuropathies are rare. Genetic mutations can either be inherited or arise de novo, meaning they are completely new mutations to an individual and are not present in either parent. Some genetic mutations lead to mild neuropathies with symptoms that begin in early adulthood and result in little, if any, significant impairment. More severe hereditary neuropathies often appear in infancy or childhood. Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease, also known as hereditary motor and sensory neuropathy, is one of the most common inherited neurological disorders. The small-fiber neuropathies that present with pain, itch, and autonomic symptoms also can be genetic. As our understanding of genetic disorders increases, many new genes are being associated with peripheral

neuropathy. The bewildering array and variability of symptoms that neuropathies can cause often makes diagnosis difficult. A diagnosis of neuropathy typically includes: A doctor will ask questions about symptoms and any triggers or relieving factors throughout the day, work environment, social habits, exposure to toxins, alcohol use, risk of infectious diseases, and family history of neurological diseases. Physical and neurological exams. A doctor will look for any evidence of body-wide diseases that can cause nerve damage, such as diabetes. A neurological exam includes tests that may identify the cause of the neuropathic disorder as well as the extent and type of nerve damage. Various blood tests can detect diabetes, vitamin deficiencies, liver or kidney dysfunction, other metabolic disorders, infections and signs of abnormal immune system activity. Less often other body fluids are tested for abnormal proteins or the abnormal presence of immune cells or proteins associated with some immune-mediated neuropathies. Gene tests are available for some inherited neuropathies. Additional tests may be ordered to help determine the nature and extent of the neuropathy. Physiologic tests of nerve function Nerve conduction velocity NCV tests measure signal strength and speed along specific large motor and sensory nerves. They can reveal nerves and nerve types affected and whether symptoms are caused by degeneration of the myelin sheath or the axon. During this test, a probe electrically stimulates a nerve fiber, which responds by generating its own electrical impulse.

## 3: Systems Development - Information Technology Services

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**Bourgeois Learning Objectives** Upon successful completion of this chapter, you will be able to:

**Introduction** When someone has an idea for a new function to be performed by a computer, how does that idea become reality? If a company wants to implement a new business process and needs new hardware or software to support it, how do they go about making it happen? In this chapter, we will discuss the different methods of taking those ideas and bringing them to reality, a process known as information systems development.

**Programming** As we learned in chapter 2, software is created via programming. Programming is the process of creating a set of logical instructions for a digital device to follow using a programming language. True, sometimes a programmer can quickly write a short program to solve a need. But most of the time, the creation of software is a resource-intensive process that involves several different groups of people in an organization. In the following sections, we are going to review several different methodologies for software development. This methodology was first developed in the s to manage the large software projects associated with corporate systems running on mainframes. It is a very structured and risk-averse methodology designed to manage large projects that included multiple programmers and systems that would have a large impact on the organization. In this phase, a review is done of the request. Is creating a solution possible? What is currently being done about it? Is this project a good fit for our organization? A key part of this step is a feasibility analysis, which includes an analysis of the technical feasibility is it possible to create this? This step is important in determining if the project should even get started. In this phase, one or more system analysts work with different stakeholder groups to determine the specific requirements for the new system. No programming is done in this step. Instead, procedures are documented, key players are interviewed, and data requirements are developed in order to get an overall picture of exactly what the system is supposed to do. The result of this phase is a system-requirements document. It is in this phase that the business requirements are translated into specific technical requirements. The design for the user interface, database, data inputs and outputs, and reporting are developed here. The result of this phase is a system-design document. This document will have everything a programmer will need to actually create the system. The code finally gets written in the programming phase. The result of this phase is an initial working program that meets the requirements laid out in the system-analysis phase and the design developed in the system-design phase. In the testing phase, the software program developed in the previous phase is put through a series of structured tests. The first is a unit test, which tests individual parts of the code for errors or bugs. Next is a system test, where the different components of the system are tested to ensure that they work together properly. Finally, the user-acceptance test allows those that will be using the software to test the system to ensure that it meets their standards. Any bugs, errors, or problems found during testing are addressed and then tested again. Once the new system is developed and tested, it has to be implemented in the organization. This phase includes training the users, providing documentation, and conversion from any previous system to the new system. Implementation can take many forms, depending on the type of system, the number and type of users, and how urgent it is that the system become operational. These different forms of implementation are covered later in the chapter. This final phase takes place once the implementation phase is complete. In this phase, the system has a structured support process in place: The SDLC methodology is sometimes referred to as the waterfall methodology to represent how each step is a separate part of the process; only when one step is completed can another step begin. After each step, an organization must decide whether to move to the next step or not. This methodology has been criticized for being quite rigid. For example, changes to the requirements are not allowed once the process has begun. No software is available until after the programming phase. Again, SDLC was developed for large, structured projects. Projects using SDLC can sometimes take months or years to complete. Because of its inflexibility and the availability of new programming techniques and tools, many other software-development methodologies have been developed. Many of these retain some of the underlying

concepts of SDLC but are not as rigid. Rapid Application Development The RAD methodology Public Domain Rapid application development RAD is a software-development or systems-development methodology that focuses on quickly building a working model of the software, getting feedback from users, and then using that feedback to update the working model. After several iterations of development, a final version is developed and implemented. The RAD methodology consists of four phases: This phase is similar to the preliminary-analysis, system-analysis, and design phases of the SDLC. In this phase, the overall requirements for the system are defined, a team is identified, and feasibility is determined. In this phase, representatives of the users work with the system analysts, designers, and programmers to interactively create the design of the system. One technique for working with all of these various stakeholders is the so-called JAD session. JAD is an acronym for joint application development. A JAD session gets all of the stakeholders together to have a structured discussion about the design of the system. Application developers also sit in on this meeting and observe, trying to understand the essence of the requirements. In the construction phase, the application developers, working with the users, build the next version of the system. This is an interactive process, and changes can be made as developers are working on the program. This step is executed in parallel with the User Design step in an iterative fashion, until an acceptable version of the product is developed. In this step, which is similar to the implementation step of the SDLC, the system goes live. All steps required to move from the previous state to the use of the new system are completed here. Many of the SDLC steps are combined and the focus is on user participation and iteration. This methodology is much better suited for smaller projects than SDLC and has the added advantage of giving users the ability to provide feedback throughout the process. SDLC requires more documentation and attention to detail and is well suited to large, resource-intensive projects. RAD makes more sense for smaller projects that are less resource-intensive and need to be developed quickly. Agile Methodologies Agile methodologies are a group of methodologies that utilize incremental changes with a focus on quality and attention to detail. Each increment is released in a specified period of time called a time box , creating a regular release schedule with very specific objectives. While considered a separate methodology from RAD, they share some of the same principles: The characteristics of agile methods include: The goal of the agile methodologies is to provide the flexibility of an iterative approach while ensuring a quality product. Lean Methodology The lean methodology click to enlarge One last methodology we will discuss is a relatively new concept taken from the business bestseller *The Lean Startup* , by Eric Reis. In this methodology, the focus is on taking an initial idea and developing a minimum viable product MVP. The MVP is a working software application with just enough functionality to demonstrate the idea behind the project. Once the MVP is developed, it is given to potential users for review. Feedback on the MVP is generated in two forms: Using these two forms of feedback, the team determines whether they should continue in the same direction or rethink the core idea behind the project, change the functions, and create a new MVP. This change in strategy is called a pivot. Several iterations of the MVP are developed, with new functions added each time based on the feedback, until a final product is completed. The biggest difference between the lean methodology and the other methodologies is that the full set of requirements for the system are not known when the project is launched. As each iteration of the project is released, the statistics and feedback gathered are used to determine the requirements. The lean methodology works best in an entrepreneurial environment where a company is interested in determining if their idea for a software application is worth developing. The Quality Triangle The quality triangle When developing software, or any sort of product or service, there exists a tension between the developers and the different stakeholder groups, such as management, users, and investors. This tension relates to how quickly the software can be developed time , how much money will be spent cost , and how well it will be built quality. The quality triangle is a simple concept. So what does it mean that you can only address two of the three? However, if you are willing or able to spend a lot of money, then a project can be completed quickly with high-quality results through hiring more good programmers. Of course, these are just generalizations, and different projects may not fit this model perfectly. But overall, this model helps us understand the tradeoffs that we must make when we are developing new products and services. Programming Languages As I noted earlier, software developers create software using one of several programming languages. A programming

language is an artificial language that provides a way for a programmer to create structured code to communicate logic in a format that can be executed by the computer hardware. Over the past few decades, many different types of programming languages have evolved to meet many different needs. In these early languages, very specific instructions had to be entered line by line – a tedious process. First-generation languages are called machine code. In machine code, programming is done by directly setting actual ones and zeroes the bits in the program using binary code. Assembly language gives english-like phrases to the machine-code instructions, making it easier to program. An assembly-language program must be run through an assembler, which converts it into machine code. Here is an example program that adds and using assembly language: Most third-generation languages must be compiled, a process that converts them into machine code.

## 4: Systems development without pain ( edition) | Open Library

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Posted on May 18, A number of Republican House members say scientific research proves a week-old fetus can feel pain. It passed the House on May 13 by a margin of Several lawmakers made similar statements on the House floor: Ralph Abraham, May As a doctor, I know and I can attest that this bill is backed by scientific research showing that babies can indeed feel pain at 20 weeks, if not before. Dan Benishek, May The Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act will prevent abortions from occurring after the point at which many scientific studies have demonstrated that children in the womb can actually feel pain. Charles Boustany, May The scientific evidence is clear: They feel pain at 20 weeks post-fertilization. These statements, and others like them, are problematic because of their definitive nature. Scientific research on pain in the fetus is extremely complicated, primarily because pain is a subjective experience and a fetus cannot indicate if something hurts. We take no position on the bill itself. The perception of pain requires an awareness of an unpleasant stimulus “ receptors throughout the body must send a signal to the brain, where it can be processed as pain. This happens between 23 and 30 weeks gestational age, and the authors argue these connections are a precursor for pain perception. In reviewing the neuroanatomical and physiological evidence in the fetus, it was apparent that connections from the periphery to the cortex are not intact before 24 weeks of gestation and, as most neuroscientists believe that the cortex is necessary for pain perception, it can be concluded that the fetus cannot experience pain in any sense prior to this gestation. This suggests that pain signals can be received by a fetus and sent to the brain, where they are processed “ but only if processing does not actually require a fully developed cerebral cortex. Some experts have indeed argued that some degree of pain perception may not require a cortex, but again, there is no way to confirm this in a fetus. A heel prick from a needle used for amniocentesis , for example, can result in the fetus recoiling, much as an adult would to a painful pinprick. In fact, the same response can be seen in anencephalic infants , who are born missing large parts of the brain. It follows that while pain requires some level of consciousness, nociception does not. He has stated that pain may indeed occur in a fetus, through other neurobiological mechanisms than in an adult, as early as 20 weeks post-fertilization or even before. Kristi Noem, a Republican from South Dakota: This is the stage where we know the baby can feel pain, and could be viable outside the womb with proper care. In testimony before Congress in , however, Anand was specifically asked about this idea. There is “ that is not my opinion. Anand also told the New York Times in that he has turned down many requests to testify in court cases regarding fetal pain, objecting to the politicization of his research. Virginia Foxx, a Republican from North Carolina, also mentioned this and cited a recent study on extremely preterm infants: The New York Times reporting just last week on a study that the New England Journal of Medicine published that found that 25 percent of children born prematurely at the stage of pregnancy covered by this legislation survive. The study in question analyzed the outcomes regarding 4, babies born before 27 weeks gestational age. Post-fertilization age is the time since conception. Generally, one can add two weeks to post-fertilization age to calculate an approximate gestational age. We are unsure to what exactly her 25 percent figure refers. At 23 weeks, the rate rose substantially, with By 26 weeks, most babies survive, at Some experts argue, as Anand does, that pain in the fetus is not precisely the same as in an adult and may occur earlier than 20 weeks. Martin Platt , an honorary and clinical reader in neonatal and pediatric medicine at Newcastle University in the U. This results in too much reliance on neuroscience, too much reference to animal work, too much extrapolation from both of these and too little real-world human investigation on which to base a realistic view. No one would deny that there are important issues to be confronted, but a sensible debate needs a solid base of rigorous empirical enquiry. SciCheck is made possible by a grant from the Stanton Foundation.

## 5: Pain - Wikipedia

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Pain is often classified as acute or chronic. Acute pain, such as postoperative pain, subsides as healing takes place. Chronic pain is persistent and is subdivided into cancer-related pain and nonmalignant pain, such as arthritis, low-back pain, and peripheral neuropathy. These authors will draw from the body of knowledge related to chronic pain; however, this chapter will focus on the evidence supporting management of acute pain experienced by hospitalized adults. Scope of the Problem Almost 35 million patients were discharged from U.S. hospitals in 2007. Recent data suggest 80 percent of patients experience pain postoperatively with between 11 and 20 percent experiencing severe pain. Importance of Controlling Pain Inadequately managed pain can lead to adverse physical and psychological patient outcomes for individual patients and their families. Continuous, unrelieved pain activates the pituitary-adrenal axis, which can suppress the immune system and result in postsurgical infection and poor wound healing. Sympathetic activation can have negative effects on the cardiovascular, gastrointestinal, and renal systems, predisposing patients to adverse events such as cardiac ischemia and ileus. Of particular importance to nursing care, unrelieved pain reduces patient mobility, resulting in complications such as deep vein thrombosis, pulmonary embolus, and pneumonia. Continuous, unrelieved pain also affects the psychological state of the patient and family members. Common psychological responses to pain include anxiety and depression. The inability to escape from pain may create a sense of helplessness and even hopelessness, which may predispose the patient to a more chronic depression. Patients who have experienced inadequate pain management may be reluctant to seek medical care for other health problems. Poorly managing pain may put clinicians at risk for legal action. Current standards for pain management, such as the national standards outlined by the Joint Commission formerly known as the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, JCAHO, require that pain is promptly addressed and managed. Having standards of care in place increases the risk of legal action against clinicians and institutions for poor pain management, and there are instances of law suits filed for poor pain management by physicians. Hospitals stand to lose reputation as well as profit if pain is poorly managed. Patient satisfaction with care is strongly tied to their experiences with pain during hospitalization. Evidence indicates that higher levels of pain and depression are linked to poor satisfaction with care in ambulatory settings. Undertreatment of Pain The undertreatment of pain was first documented in a landmark study by Marks and Sachar in 1974. The undertreatment of pain continues. Thirty years later in 2004, Apfelbaum and others found that 80 percent of surgical patients experienced acute pain after surgery, and 86 percent of those had moderate to extreme pain. Of 1,000 outpatients with metastatic cancer from 54 cancer treatment centers, 67 percent reported pain. It is estimated that 45 percent to 80 percent of elderly patients in nursing homes have substantial pain that is undertreated. Pain robs patients of their lives. Patients may become depressed or anxious and want to end their lives. Patients are sometimes unable to do many of the things they did without pain, and this state of living in pain affects their relationships with others and sometimes their ability to maintain employment. What is often overlooked is that pain has physically harmful effects. It is often actually physiologically unsafe to have pain. The endocrine system reacts by releasing an excessive amount of hormones, ultimately resulting in carbohydrate, protein, and fat catabolism; poor glucose use; and other harmful effects. This reaction combined with inflammatory processes can produce weight loss, tachycardia, increased respiratory rate, fever, shock, and death. In the postoperative period, these include hypercoagulation and increased heart rate, blood pressure, cardiac work load, and oxygen demand. Aggressive pain control is required to reduce these effects and prevent thromboembolic complications. Cardiac morbidity is the primary cause of death after anesthesia and surgery. This response can cause temporary impairment of gastrointestinal function and increase the risk of ileus. Stress and pain can suppress immune functions, including the natural killer NK cells that play a role in preventing tumor growth and controlling metastasis. Thus, pain now can cause pain later. If acute shingles pain is not treated aggressively, it is believed to increase the risk of postherpetic neuralgia. In a sample of

physicians and nurses, Anderson and colleagues 21 found lack of pain assessment was one of the most problematic barriers to achieving good pain control. There are many recommendations and guidelines for what constitutes an adequate pain assessment; however, many recommendations seem impractical in acute care practice. Nurses working with hospitalized patients with acute pain must select the appropriate elements of assessment for the current clinical situation. The most critical aspect of pain assessment is that it is done on a regular basis e. The time frame for reassessment also should be directed by hospital or unit policies and procedures. Expectations of patient and family members for pain control postsurgically will uncover unrealistic expectations that can be addressed before surgery. This comprehensive pain history lays the foundation for the plan for pain management following surgery, which is completed collaboratively by the clinicians physician and nurse , the patient, and his or her family. Pain History The pain history should include the following: Numerous pain intensity measures have been developed and validated. Several tools provide a numeric rating of pain intensity e. Simpler tools such as the verbal rating scale, which classifies pain as mild, moderate or severe, also are commonly used. For patients with limited cognitive ability, scales with drawings or pictures are available e. Patients with advanced dementia require behavioral observation to determine the presence of pain; tools such as the PAIN-AD are available for this patient population. The Joint Commission developed pain standards for assessment and treatment based upon the recommendations in the Acute Pain Clinical Practice Guideline. The Joint Commission requires that hospitals select and use the same pain assessment tools across all departments. Selecting the pain assessment tool should be a collaborative decision between patient and health care provider. When this is done during the preoperative period, it ensures the patient is familiar with the scale. If the nurse selects the tool, he or she should consider the age of the patient; his or her physical, emotional, and cognitive status; and preference. The pain tool selected should be used on a regular basis to assess pain and the effect of interventions. It should not, however, be used as the sole measure of pain perception. Since patients may experience pain in areas other than the surgical site, location of pain using a body drawing or verbal report provides useful information. The pain experienced may be chronic e. The quality of pain varies depending upon the underlying etiology. Instruments such as the McGill Pain Questionnaire 25 , 26 contain a variety of verbal descriptors that help to distinguish between musculoskeletal and nerve-related pain. Typically, patients describe deep tissue pain as dull, aching, and cramping, while nerve-related pain tends to be more sporadic, shooting, or burning. The Brief Pain Inventory 10 , 29 includes four items that may be useful in assessing this aspect of the pain experience. Using an NRS format, assessment of interference with ability to walk, general activity, mood, and sleep during the recovery period will assist in selecting interventions to enhance function and quality of life. The final elements of pain perceptions involve determining current aggravating and alleviating factors. Alleviating factors include the interventions used e. Examples of such strategies are distraction, positive self-talk, and pleasant imagery. The pain history will provide insight into the coping strategies previously used by the patient and their effectiveness with previous painful episodes. In addition to self-reported pain perceptions, a comprehensive assessment of pain following surgery includes both physiological responses and behavioral responses to pain 22 p. Physiological responses of sympathetic activation tachycardia, increased respiratory rate, and hypertension may indicate pain is present. Behaviors that may indicate pain include splinting, grimacing, moaning or grunting, distorted posture, and reluctance to move. While these nonverbal methods of assessment provide useful information, self-report of pain is the most accurate. A lack of physiological responses or an absence of behaviors indicating pain may not mean the patient is not experiencing pain. Adequate pain management requires an interdisciplinary approach. The Joint Commission requires documentation of pain to facilitate reassessment and followup. The American Pain Society suggests that pain be the fifth vital sign as a means of prompting nurses to reassess and document pain whenever vital signs are obtained. Monitoring the Quality of Pain Management Establishing and maintaining an institutional pain performance improvement plan is a Joint Commission requirement. Systems should be in place to monitor pain management that alerts the clinician when pain is poorly managed. The threshold may be set individually by patient and clinician or institutionally. A reasonable threshold might be moderate to severe pain, which means a pain score of greater than 4 on a 0â€”10 scale. Recognize and treat pain promptly. Involve patients and families in pain management plan. Reassess and adjust pain management

plan as needed. Monitor processes and outcomes of pain management. The goal of pain management after surgery is to prevent and control pain. Postsurgical pain, like cancer pain, is expected to be present continuously with spikes of increased pain with movement, deep breathing and coughing, and ambulation during the first 24–48 hours after surgery. Around-the-clock dosing is recommended during this early postsurgical period to prevent severe pain and control continuous pain. Quality Indicators 24 p. Intensity of pain is documented using a numeric 0–10 or descriptive mild, moderate, severe rating scale. Pain intensity is documented at frequent intervals. Pain is treated by route other than intramuscular. Pain is treated with regularly administered analgesics, and, when possible, multimodal approach is used. Multimodal approach includes a combination of pain control strategies, such as opioids, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, nonpharmacological interventions. Pain is prevented and controlled to a degree that facilitates function and quality of life. Patients are adequately informed and knowledgeable about pain management. To efficiently monitor quality indicators, patient records should contain documentation of Pain intensity 0–10 or mild, moderate, severe Analgesics prescribed and administered, including drug, route, and dosing Impact of pain on function and quality of life e. In their review of 20 quality improvement studies conducted between and , Gordon and colleagues 32 noted 15 studies reported high satisfaction with pain management despite many patients experiencing moderate to severe pain during hospitalization.

## 6: Metal Gear Solid V: The Phantom Pain - Wikipedia

*The neurobiology of the fetus: anatomical pathways. Notwithstanding limitations, it is useful to view the pain system as an alarm system. Viewed in this way, a noxious stimulus is an event that activates free nerve endings in the skin, similar to pushing an alarm button.*

History of pain theory Before the relatively recent discovery of neurons and their role in pain, various different body functions were proposed to account for pain. There were several competing early theories of pain among the ancient Greeks: Hippocrates believed that it was due to an imbalance in vital fluids. Specificity theory saw pain as "a specific sensation, with its own sensory apparatus independent of touch and other senses". They proposed that all skin fiber endings with the exception of those innervating hair cells are identical, and that pain is produced by intense stimulation of these fibers. Cognitive activities "may affect both sensory and affective experience or they may modify primarily the affective-motivational dimension. Thus, excitement in games or war appears to block both dimensions of pain, while suggestion and placebos may modulate the affective-motivational dimension and leave the sensory-discriminative dimension relatively undisturbed. Some sensory fibers do not differentiate between noxious and non-noxious stimuli, while others, nociceptors, respond only to noxious, high intensity stimuli. At the peripheral end of the nociceptor, noxious stimuli generate currents that, above a given threshold, send signals along the nerve fiber to the spinal cord. The "specificity" whether it responds to thermal, chemical or mechanical features of its environment of a nociceptor is determined by which ion channels it expresses at its peripheral end. Dozens of different types of nociceptor ion channels have so far been identified, and their exact functions are still being determined. This is followed by a duller pain, often described as burning, carried by the C fibers. These A-delta and C fibers connect with "second order" nerve fibers in the central gelatinous substance of the spinal cord laminae II and III of the dorsal horns. The second order fibers then cross the cord via the anterior white commissure and ascend in the spinothalamic tract. Before reaching the brain, the spinothalamic tract splits into the lateral, neospinothalamic tract and the medial, paleospinothalamic tract. Other spinal cord fibers, known as wide dynamic range neurons, respond to A-delta and C fibers, but also to the large A-beta fibers that carry touch, pressure and vibration signals. People with congenital insensitivity to pain have reduced life expectancy. The Evidence for Evolution, biologist Richard Dawkins addresses the question of why pain should have the quality of being painful. He describes the alternative as a mental raising of a "red flag". To argue why that red flag might be insufficient, Dawkins argues that drives must compete with one other within living beings. The most "fit" creature would be the one whose pains are well balanced. Those pains which mean certain death when ignored will become the most powerfully felt. The relative intensities of pain, then, may resemble the relative importance of that risk to our ancestors. This may have maladaptive results such as supernormal stimuli. The pain perception threshold is the point at which the stimulus begins to hurt, and the pain tolerance threshold is reached when the subject acts to stop the pain. Differences in pain perception and tolerance thresholds are associated with, among other factors, ethnicity, genetics, and gender. People of Mediterranean origin report as painful some radiant heat intensities that northern Europeans describe as nonpainful. And Italian women tolerate a lesser level of intense electric shock than Jewish or Native American women. Some individuals in all cultures have significantly higher than normal pain perception and tolerance thresholds. For instance, patients who experience painless heart attacks have higher pain thresholds for electric shock, muscle cramp and heat. Quality can be established by having the patient complete the McGill Pain Questionnaire indicating which words best describe their pain. Visual analogue scale The visual analogue scale is a common, reproducible tool in the assessment of pain and pain relief. Cut-offs for pain classification have been recommended as no pain mm, mild pain mm, moderate pain mm and severe pain mm. Pain and dementia and Pain in babies When a person is non-verbal and cannot self-report pain, observation becomes critical, and specific behaviors can be monitored as pain indicators. Behaviors such as facial grimacing and guarding indicate pain, as well as an increase or decrease in vocalizations, changes in routine behavior patterns and mental status changes. Patients experiencing pain may exhibit withdrawn social behavior and possibly

experience a decreased appetite and decreased nutritional intake. A change in condition that deviates from baseline such as moaning with movement or when manipulating a body part, and limited range of motion are also potential pain indicators. In patients who possess language but are incapable of expressing themselves effectively, such as those with dementia, an increase in confusion or display of aggressive behaviors or agitation may signal that discomfort exists, and further assessment is necessary. Infants do feel pain, but lack the language needed to report it, and so communicate distress by crying. A non-verbal pain assessment should be conducted involving the parents, who will notice changes in the infant which may not be obvious to the health care provider. Pre-term babies are more sensitive to painful stimuli than those carried to full term. Their ability to recognize pain may be blunted by illness or the use of medication. Depression may also keep older adult from reporting they are in pain. Decline in self-care may also indicate the older adult is experiencing pain. They may be reluctant to report pain because they do not want to be perceived as weak, or may feel it is impolite or shameful to complain, or they may feel the pain is a form of deserved punishment. Sufferers may feel that certain treatments go against their religious beliefs. They may not report pain because they feel it is a sign that death is near. Many people fear the stigma of addiction, and avoid pain treatment so as not to be prescribed potentially addicting drugs. Many Asians do not want to lose respect in society by admitting they are in pain and need help, believing the pain should be borne in silence, while other cultures feel they should report pain immediately to receive immediate relief. Gender differences can be the result of social and cultural expectations, with women expected to be more emotional and show pain, and men more stoic. Knowing the time of onset, location, intensity, pattern of occurrence continuous, intermittent, etc. For example, chest pain described as extreme heaviness may indicate myocardial infarction, while chest pain described as tearing may indicate aortic dissection.

## 7: Infant - newborn development: MedlinePlus Medical Encyclopedia

*The symptoms of ZSH are similar to the symptoms of shingles, but without a rash. The symptoms are usually isolated to one side of the body and commonly occur on the face and neck, and in the eyes.*

Yawning Periodic breathing, in which breathing starts and stops again, is normal. It is not a sign of sudden infant death syndrome SIDS. Some infants will vomit or spit up after each feeding, but have nothing physically wrong with them. They continue to gain weight and develop normally. Other infants grunt and groan while making a bowel movement, but produce soft, blood-free stools, and their growth and feeding are good. This is due to immature abdominal muscles used for pushing and does not need to be treated. These cycles occur in random intervals of 30 to 50 minutes at birth. Intervals gradually increase as the infant matures. By age 4 months, most infants will have one 5-hour period of uninterrupted sleep per day. Breast-fed infants will feed about every 2 hours. Formula-fed infants should be able to go 3 hours between feedings. During periods of rapid growth, they may feed more often. You do not need to give a baby water. In fact, it could be dangerous. An infant who is drinking enough will produce 6 to 8 wet diapers in a hour period. Teaching the infant to suck a pacifier or his or her own thumb provides comfort between feedings. For example, around age 4 to 6 months, the infant may begin to roll over. Therefore, be very careful while the baby is on the changing table. Consider the following important safety tips: Use drawer and cupboard safety latches. Post the national poison control number -- -- near the phone. DO NOT allow older infants to crawl or walk around in the kitchen while adults or older siblings are cooking. Block the kitchen off with a gate or place the infant in a playpen, highchair, or crib while others cook. DO NOT drink or carry anything hot while holding the infant to avoid burns. Infants begin waving their arms and grabbing for objects at 3 to 5 months. DO NOT leave an infant alone with siblings or pets. Even older siblings may not be ready to handle an emergency if it occurs. DO NOT leave an infant alone on a surface from which the child can wiggle or roll over and fall off. For the first 5 months of life, always place your infant on his or her back to go to sleep. This position has been shown to reduce the risk of sudden infant death syndrome SIDS. Once a baby can roll over by himself, the maturing nervous system greatly reduces the risk of SIDS. Know how to handle a choking emergency in an infant by taking a certified course through the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross, or a local hospital. Place your infant in a proper car seat for every car ride, no matter how short the distance. Use a car seat that faces backward until the infant is at least 1 year old AND weighs 20 pounds 9 kilograms , or longer if possible. Then you can safely switch to a forward facing car seat. It is very important for the driver to pay attention to driving, not playing with the infant. If you need to tend to the infant, safely pull the car over to the shoulder and park before trying to help the child. Use gates on stairways, and block off rooms that are not "child proof. The infant does not look good, looks different from normal, or cannot be consoled by holding, rocking, or cuddling. Your infant seems to be "losing" developmental milestones. For example, if your 9-month-old was able to pull to standing, but at 12 months is no longer able to sit unsupported. You are concerned at any time.

## 8: Pain | MedlinePlus

*Research on the topic has centered around the stages of brain and nervous system development, and what is known regarding the processing of pain in the brain. led him to the conclusion that.*

Where can I get more information? What is complex regional pain syndrome? Complex regional pain syndrome CRPS is a chronic lasting greater than six months pain condition that most often affects one limb arm, leg, hand, or foot usually after an injury. CRPS is believed to be caused by damage to, or malfunction of, the peripheral and central nervous systems. The central nervous system is composed of the brain and spinal cord; the peripheral nervous system involves nerve signaling from the brain and spinal cord to the rest of the body. CRPS is divided into two types: Individuals without a confirmed nerve injury are classified as having CRPS-I previously known as reflex sympathetic dystrophy syndrome. As some research has identified evidence of nerve injury in CRPS-I, it is unclear if this disorders will always be divided into two types. Nonetheless, the treatment is similar. CRPS symptoms vary in severity and duration, although some cases are mild and eventually go away. In more severe cases, individuals may not recover and may have long-term disability. Although it is more common in women, CRPS can occur in anyone at any age, with a peak at age CRPS is rare in the elderly. Very few children under age 10 and almost no children under age 5 are affected. The key symptom is prolonged severe pain that may be constant. The pain may spread to the entire arm or leg, even though the injury might have only involved a finger or toe. In rare cases, pain can sometimes even travel to the opposite extremity. There is often increased sensitivity in the affected area, known as allodynia, in which normal contact with the skin is experienced as very painful. People with CRPS also experience changes in skin temperature, skin color, or swelling of the affected limb. This is due to abnormal microcirculation caused by damage to the nerves controlling blood flow and temperature. As a result, an affected arm or leg may feel warmer or cooler compared to the opposite limb. The skin on the affected limb may change color, becoming blotchy, blue, purple, pale, or red. Other common features of CRPS include: It is unclear why some individuals develop CRPS while others with similar trauma do not. In more than 90 percent of cases, the condition is triggered by a clear history of trauma or injury. CRPS represents an abnormal response that magnifies the effects of the injury. Some people respond excessively to a trigger that causes no problem for other people, such as what is observed in people who have food allergies. Peripheral nerve abnormalities found in individuals with CRPS usually involve the small unmyelinated and thinly myelinated sensory nerve fibers axons that carry pain messages and signals to blood vessels. Myelin is a mixture of proteins and fat-like substances that surround and insulate some nerve fibers. Because small fibers in the nerves communicate with blood vessels, injuries to the fibers may trigger the many different symptoms of CRPS. Molecules secreted from the ends of hyperactive small nerve fibers are thought to contribute to inflammation and blood vessel abnormalities. These peripheral nerve abnormalities in turn trigger damage in the spinal cord and brain. Blood vessels in the affected limb may dilate open wider or leak fluid into the surrounding tissue, causing red, swollen skin. The dilation and constriction of small blood vessels is controlled by small nerve fiber axons as well as chemical messengers in the blood. The underlying muscles and deeper tissues can become starved of oxygen and nutrients, which causes muscle and joint pain as well as damage. The blood vessels may over-constrict clamp down , causing old, white, or bluish skin. CRPS also affects the immune system. High levels of inflammatory chemicals cytokines have been found in the tissues of people with CRPS. These contribute to the redness, swelling, and warmth reported by many patients. CRPS is more common in individuals with other inflammatory and autoimmune conditions such as asthma. Limited data suggest that CRPS also may be influenced by genetics. Rare family clusters of CRPS have been reported. Familial CRPS may be more severe with earlier onset, greater dystonia, and more than one limb being affected. Occasionally CRPS develops without any known injury. In these cases, an infection, a blood vessel problem, or entrapment of the nerves may have caused an internal injury. A physician will perform a thorough examination in order to identify a cause. In many cases, CRPS results from a variety of causes. In such instances, treatments are directed at all of the contributing factors. Currently there is no specific test that can confirm CRPS. Since other

conditions can cause similar symptoms, careful examination is important. As most people improve gradually over time, the diagnosis may be more difficult later in the course of the disorder. Testing also may be used to help rule out other conditions, such as arthritis, Lyme disease, generalized muscle diseases, a clotted vein, or small fiber polyneuropathies, because these require different treatment. The distinguishing feature of CRPS is that of an injury to the affected area. Such individuals should be carefully assessed so that an alternative treatable disorder is not overlooked. Magnetic resonance imaging or triple-phase bone scans may be requested to help confirm a diagnosis. While CRPS is often associated with excess bone resorption, a process in which certain cells break down the bone and release calcium into the blood, this finding may be observed in other illnesses as well. The outcome of CRPS is highly variable. Younger persons, children, and teenagers tend to have better outcomes. While older people can have good outcomes, there are some individuals who experience severe pain and disability despite treatment. Anecdotal evidence suggests early treatment, particularly rehabilitation, is helpful in limiting the disorder, a concept that has not yet been proven in clinical studies. More research is needed to understand the causes of CRPS, how it progresses, and the role of early treatment. How is CRPS treated? The following therapies are often used: Rehabilitation and physical therapy. An exercise program to keep the painful limb or body part moving can improve blood flow and lessen the circulatory symptoms. Rehabilitating the affected limb also can help to prevent or reverse the secondary brain changes that are associated with chronic pain. Occupational therapy can help the individual learn new ways to work and perform daily tasks. CRPS and other painful and disabling conditions often are associated with profound psychological symptoms for affected individuals and their families. People with CRPS may develop depression, anxiety, or post-traumatic stress disorder, all of which heighten the perception of pain and make rehabilitation efforts more difficult. Treating these secondary conditions is important for helping people cope and recover from CRPS. Several different classes of medication have been reported to be effective for CRPS, particularly when used early in the course of the disease. However, no drug is approved by the U. Food and Drug Administration specifically for CRPS, and no single drug or combination of drugs is guaranteed to be effective in every person. Drugs to treat CRPS include: These drugs must be prescribed and monitored under close supervision of a physician, as these drugs may be addictive. N-methyl-D-aspartate NMDA receptor antagonists such as dextromethorphan and ketamine, and topical local anesthetic creams and patches such as lidocaine. All drugs or combination of drugs can have various side effects such as drowsiness, dizziness, increased heartbeat, and impaired memory. Inform a healthcare professional of any changes once drug therapy begins. Some individuals report temporary pain relief from sympathetic nerve blocks, but there is no published evidence of long-term benefit. Sympathetic blocks involve injecting an anesthetic next to the spine to directly block the activity of sympathetic nerves and improve blood flow. The use of this operation that destroys some of the nerves is controversial. Some experts think it is unwarranted and makes CRPS worse, whereas others report a favorable outcome. Sympathectomy should be used only in individuals whose pain is dramatically relieved although temporarily by sympathetic nerve blocks. Placing stimulating electrodes through a needle into the spine near the spinal cord provides a tingling sensation in the painful area. Electrodes may be placed temporarily for a few days in order to assess whether stimulation is likely to be helpful. Minor surgery is required to implant all the parts of the stimulator, battery, and electrodes under the skin on the torso. Once implanted, the stimulator can be turned on and off, and adjusted using an external controller. Approximately 25 percent of individuals develop equipment problems that may require additional surgeries. Other types of neural stimulation. Neurostimulation can be delivered at other locations along the pain pathway, not only at the spinal cord. These include near injured nerves peripheral nerve stimulators , outside the membranes of the brain motor cortex stimulation with dural electrodes , and within the parts of the brain that control pain deep brain stimulation. A recent option involves the use of magnetic currents applied externally to the brain known as repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation, or rTMS. A similar method that uses transcranial direct electrical stimulation is also being investigated. These stimulation methods have the advantage of being non-invasive, with the disadvantage that repeated treatment sessions are needed. These devices pump pain-relieving medications directly into the fluid that bathes the spinal cord, typically opioids, local anesthetic agents, clonidine, and baclofen. The advantage is that pain-signaling targets in the spinal cord can be reached

using doses far lower than those required for oral administration, which decreases side effects and increases drug effectiveness. There are no studies that show benefit specifically for CRPS. Emerging treatments for CRPS include: Those who received IVIG had a greater decrease in pain scores than those receiving saline during the following 14 days after infusion.

### 9: Complex Regional Pain Syndrome Fact Sheet | National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke

*Pain is usually transitory, lasting only until the noxious stimulus is removed or the underlying damage or pathology has healed, but some painful conditions, such as rheumatoid arthritis, peripheral neuropathy, cancer and idiopathic pain, may persist for years.*

That person would have to come in direct contact with your shingles rash. Shingles without a rash is difficult to diagnose based on your symptoms alone. Your doctor may test your blood, cerebrospinal fluid, or saliva to identify the presence of VZV antibodies. This will allow them to confirm a diagnosis of shingles without a rash. However, these tests are often inconclusive. Your medical history may provide clues that suggest you have shingles without a rash. They may also prescribe drugs for the pain. Other treatment will vary based on the location and severity of symptoms. Shingles with a rash usually clears up within two to six weeks. If you have shingles without a rash, your symptoms should clear up in a similar amount of time. In a few cases, the pain can remain after the shingles rash has healed. This is called postherpetic neuralgia PHN. One case study suggests that people who have shingles without a rash are more likely to develop PHN than people who have the rash. If you have a weakened immune system and shingles without a rash, you also may be more likely to have shingles again. In general, people who get the shingles vaccine have less severe shingles and a lower chance of having PHN. The shingles vaccine is recommended for people 50 years and older. What can you do if you think you have shingles? If you have shingles, your doctor can give you an antiviral medication that lessens the pain and duration of it. Zoster vaccine Shingrix can decrease your risk of shingles but not prevent it. It will also lessen the severity and duration of your symptoms. This vaccine is recommended for people over 50, except those with compromised immune systems.

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