The experience & know-how to get you back to life.

Robert G. Schwartz, MD, is a highly-credentialed specialist with more than 20 years of experience. Dr. Schwartz holds board certification in physical medicine and rehabilitation (physiatry), pain management, therapy, and electrodiagnostic medicine and is a fellow in vascular medicine. He is medical director of physical medicine at St. Francis Community Hospital, founder of South Carolina Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, and the most senior physiatrist in the state. Dr. Schwartz has also given hundreds of lectures and published more than 40 articles.

Pioneering the understanding & treatment of your condition.

At Piedmont Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, we resolve pain, numbness and weakness by following one simple principle—total commitment. As a result, Dr. Schwartz has innovated, introduced, and refined new methods for understanding and treating unresolvable conditions. These methods include diagnostic ultrasound for musculoskeletal problems, percutaneous techniques for tendon repair, physical therapy to regain function, the Marshall Protocol for the enhanced treatment of infectious brains, Antibiotic Protocol for reduction of inflammation, electro-sympa-netic nerve blocks, and more.

Effective, proven solutions for...

- Soreness, chronic & unresolved pain
- Weather sensitive & burning pain
- Nerve related pain, tingling, numbness, swelling or weakness
- Unusual sensitivity to cold or touch
- Pain with excessive sweating or color change
- Leg pain, especially with exercise
- Painful muscle spasm
- Joint pain & musculoskeletal disease
- Painful, injured or weak ligaments
- Back & neck pain
- Warm & sports injuries
- Osteoporosis pain
- Persistent & severe headaches

Innovative treatments to resolve the root cause.

Dr. Schwartz uses numerous nonsurgical interventions to treat your pain at its source. In fact, most of the techniques below were introduced to the field by Dr. Schwartz. Only a few of these are performed by other local physicians, and not with the same volume of experience.

Percutaneous- Using “palliative therapy,” Dr. Schwartz injects a compound that promotes ligament growth for improved strength and mobility and reduced pain and weakness.

Percutaneous tenotomy- With ultrasound guidance, Dr. Schwartz uses a needle to “leather” tendons to effectively repair them.

Marshall Protocol – A unique but highly effective protocol for keeping infectious brains from “hiding” from treatment or natural immunity defenses.

Antibiotic Protocol – With broad-spectrum antibiotics, inflammation can be reduced in those with genetic predisposition to it. Joint swelling, pain and mobility are drastically improved.

Thrombolytic therapy – Many types of pain respond to this lack of adequate oxygen. When properly used, anti-clotting medications can enhance blood flow and increase tissue oxygen.

Pain-vascular pharmacology - Pain can be reduced or even resolved by many different kinds of medications. Anti-hypertensives, anti-epileptics, muscle relaxers and even topical creams have a reducing effect on the body’s pain receptors.

Anesthetic injections & nerve blocks – Dr. Schwartz can anesthetize or block nerve pathways to alleviate pain.

Electric sympathetic blocks - When correctly configured, electrocutaneously can effectively relieve weather-sensitive, burning nerve pain.

Reduction of total load – By reducing the total number of factors that could be contributing to your pain, numbness or weakness, you improve your chance for relief.

Hormone therapy – Hormones play a role in your body’s normal function. Hormone therapy may be needed to resolve those processes.

Nerve block injections - Injecting blox and numb bles, commonly known as BOTOX, can temporizer paralyze muscles that move inadvertently or contract painfully.

Lifestyle modification – Diet, exercise and other products that improve your lifestyle in a unique manner can make a dramatic difference on your life.

Giving you back you life... without opiate painkillers...

Some no-sense that “painkiller” medications merely reduce pain symptoms... and then only temporarily. But you may not know that South Carolina is one of the most narcotic and pain pill states in the nation. For this reason, and because he believes in doing no harm, Dr. Schwartz does not prescribe such medications. Rather, he uses his knowledge of pain pharmacology to find non-opioid solutions for relieving pain.

The truth is, there are many effective options available for Dr. Schwartz to relieve your pain while resolving its root cause.

Addressing every aspect of your problem so you can live free of pain.

Pain, numbness, and weakness have a total impact on your life, affecting your body, mind, and spirit. Which is why we take a holistic approach. This means we have genuine knowledge on how to focus on your individual needs. It means that we always understand and address your relationship with your pain and partner with you in your care. And while it makes us different from other practitioners that only try to manage symptoms, it means we’re dedicated to finding and eradicating the root causes of your pain.

If you suffer from excessive or unresolved pain, or weakness have taken your life away from you... let us help you get it back. Get the experienced, results-oriented care you deserve... from a pioneer in understanding and resolving even the most complex problems. Call today! (864) 235-1834
Living with chronic, complex pain can make you want to give up. And the same is true for chronic numbness, tingling or weakness. In these cases, your condition can dominate your life and define your existence, especially if it doesn’t respond to treatment.

Don’t give up. Instead, give up your pain.

At Piedmont Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, we help what hurts by combining innovative solutions and a passionate dedication to resolving your pain. We help you get back to the life you love.

For more than two decades, Robert G. Schwartz, MD, has pioneered tests and treatments in order to completely understand and solve even the most challenging cases... without surgery or opiate-based pain medications. During that time, Dr. Schwartz has earned a reputation for multidisciplinary innovation, patient-first care and achieving outstanding results. What’s more, Dr. Schwartz and his caring staff take a uniquely human approach, addressing all aspects of your pain, including both the physical and emotional components.

You see, even if you thought it wasn’t possible, we believe you deserve to live your life free of pain, weakness or numbness. And there are solutions.