

Dr. Don Nichols, FACFAS

Curriculum Vitae



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EDUCATION AND POSTGRADUATE TRAINING

Bachelor of Science in Psychology, Minor in Pre-Med, University of Illinois at Urbana/Champaign 1985

Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine 1990

Atlanta Hospital, Atlanta, GA, Externship 1989

Orlando General Hospital, Orlando, FL, Externship 1989

Hugar Surgery Center, Elmwood Park, IL, Externship 1989

Fort Benning Army Hospital, Fort Benning, GA, Externship 1989

Lincoln West Hospital, Chicago, IL, Podiatric Surgical Residency (PSR-24) 1990-1992

Additional Training with Dr. Edgardo Rodriguez on Ilizarov External Fixators, Chicago Foot and Ankle Deformity Clinic, Chicago, IL 2003

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

Georgia State License POD001499

Illinois State License 016004441j

American Board of Podiatric Surgery (Board Qualified Rear Foot Surgery/Reconstruction)
2013

American Board of Podiatric Surgery 1999

American Board of Podiatric Medicine (formerly American Board of Podiatric
Orthopedics) 1997

MEDICAL LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Expert Witness/Consulting 2010-present

Greater than 30 Professional Medical Opinions Rendered

- Standard of Care
- Personal Injury
- Failure to Diagnose
- Workers Compensation Evaluations
- Peer Review
- Surgical Errors
- Medical Negligence

MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

MedLink Georgia 2022-present

Northern Illinois Foot and Ankle Specialist 2021-2022

Incorporated Dupage Foot and Ankle, LLC 2013-2020

Dupage Medical Group (now called Duly Health) 2000-2013

Northwest Podiatry Centers 1997-2000

Roosevelt Foot and Ankle Center (Private Practice) 1992-1997

HOSPITAL STAFF PRIVILEGES

Mountain Lakes Medical Center, Clayton, GA

Stephens County Hospital, Toccoa, GA

TEACHING/PRESENTATIONS/LECTURES

Fusion Orthopedics “Small Fragment System” and “How to be a better Rep”, Nationwide
Webinar with approx. 300 attendees 2024

“Pediatric Flat Foot Reconstruction”, IPMA, Midwest Podiatry Conference, Chicago, IL
2013

“MTP Fusion vs. Implant”, Chicago, IL 2012

“Lateral Ankle Instability”, Bloomingdale, IL 2012

“Bunion Procedures-Primary Fusion and Lapidus Arthrodesis”, “Bunion Procedures-Great Toe Fusion”, “Digital Procedures-Akin Procedures, Interphalangeal Joint Arthrodesis with Complications”, “Rear Foot Arthrodesis and Fibular Nail”, “Hindfoot and Ankle-Calcaneal and Ankle Fractures with Complications”, San Francisco Podiatric Symposium, San Francisco, CA 2012

“Charcot Reconstruction”, Lombard, IL 2011

“Podiatry Complications”, Chicago, IL 2011

“Surgical Complications”, St. Joseph’s Hospital, Chicago, IL 2011

“Suture Workshop”, “External Fixation Devices and use of IM Rods”, St. Joseph’s Hospital Residency Program Lecture Series, Oakbrook, IL 2010

“Moderate to Severe Hallux Valgus”, “First MTPJ Joint Arthrodesis”, “Metatarsal Fractures”, St. Alexius Medical Center, Hoffman Estates, IL 2010

“Bunion Procedures-Chevron”, “Lesser Metatarsal Osteotomies and Fractures-Jones Fractures”, “Forefoot Arthrodesis-MTP Fusion and Hammer Toe”, “Rearfoot Arthrodesis-Subtalar Joint”, St. Louis, MS 2010

“Diabetic At Risk Patient-Limb Salvage”, Western Springs, IL 2009

“Calcaneal Osteotomies-Pearls”, St. Joseph’s Hospital Residency Program Lecture Series, Oakbrook, IL 2009

“Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy-At Risk Patients”, Lombard, IL 2008

“Surgical Complications”, St. Joseph’s Hospital Residency Program Lecture Series, Oakbrook, IL 2008

“This Did Not Happen! It Was the Screws Fault”, IPMA, Seminar at Sea, Celebrity Summit 2008

“Diabetic Foot Infections: Principles of Appropriate Treatment”, Pfizer, Arlington Heights, IL 2008

“Diagnosis and Management of Neuropathic Pain Associated with Painful Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy”, Pfizer, Hinsdale, IL 2008

“Diagnosis and Management of Neuropathic Pain Associated with Painful Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy”, Pfizer, Arlington Heights, IL 2007

“Diagnosis and Management of Neuropathic Pain Associated with Painful Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy”, Pfizer, Bartlett, IL 2007

“Diagnosis and Management of Neuropathic Pain Associated with Painful Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy”, Pfizer, Hinsdale, IL 2007

PUBLICATIONS/RESEARCH

“Distal First Metatarsal Osteotomy with Headless Screw” 2013, pending

“Complications of Calcaneal Osteotomies”, Clinics of Podiatric Medicine, W.B. Saunders, Philadelphia, PA 1991

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS, SANCTIONS, LAWSUITS

None

PROFESSIONAL AND HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS

Chairman of MedLink Georgia Department of Foot and Ankle Surgery 2022-present

Chairman of Oakbrook Surgery Center Department of Surgery 2016-2022

Chairman of Dupage Medical Group Department of Foot and Ankle Surgery 2000-2013

Board Member of Wheaton Environmental Committee 1992-1994

Former Member of Illinois Podiatric Medical Association

Fellow of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons

Member of Georgia Podiatric Medical Association

Member of American Podiatric Medical Association

HONORS AND AWARDS

Rotarian of the Year 1995

St. Joseph’s Hospital, Chicago, IL, Attending of the Year (3 times)

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER, MILITARY AND CIVIC ACTIVITIES

Rotary Club, Clayton, GA 2023-present

Rotary Club, Wheaton, IL 1994-2008

Co-founder/Participant of Operation Condor, a yearly multi-specialty medical mission to Peru, South America (8 times)

PERSONAL INTERESTS

Hiking with my wife, Traveling, Carpentry, Working in my yard

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