About our Staff

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Richard J. Pitch, M.D.

Dr. Pitch, Medical Director of Long Island NeuroCare Therapy, is among the most experienced TMS therapy providers in the New York metropolitan area and is the most experienced in Suffolk County. Dr. Pitch has been providing TMS therapy since June 2010. He completed the Mini-Fellowship in Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation from Harvard Medical School in 2011, at Berenson-Allen Center for Noninvasive Brain Stimulation at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston, MA. Dr. Pitch is on the Board of Directors of the Clinical TMS Society.

Eileen Levy, NP

Eileen has 40 years of psychiatric nursing experience working in both inpatient hospital and outpatient clinic settings. She has expertise in treating children, adolescents and adults. Eileen is a consult liaison nurse practitioner in both the emergency room and acute care settings and has a private practice. She joined Dr. Pitch and staff to utilize her extensive experience to improve the quality of life for people suffering from treatment-resistant depression with TMS. Eileen holds a masters in Nursing from Stony Brook University.



"Throughout my life, I have suffered from deep depression. When I learned about TMS, I realized there was another tool instead of medication. After the treatments were over, I realized there was an accumulating sense of well-being, and that was something I've never experienced before, I was happy! TMS made all the difference in the world."

- SCHATZIE BRUNNER Former CNN Anchor

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neuroCare Centers of America is part of an international network of centers of excellence dedicated to helping patients suffering from neuropsychiatric illnesses that have not been helped by traditional medication management.

neuroCare Centers of America has partnered with **Long Island NeuroCare Therapy**, Long Islands's premier psychiatric services group to provide state-of-the-art depression care for patients not helped by, intolerant of or contraindicated for psychotropic medications.

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Non-Drug Treatment for Major Depression

What your family needs is the real you.

With Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS) Therapy, there is hope for relief from depression even after multiple medications have failed to help you.

Discover firsthand how **Long Island NeuroCare Therapy** is using the world's most advanced treatment techniques to improve the lives of our patients. With our expertise and proven results, let us help you take charge of your life.

Using unique personalized treatment approaches, we don't just provide symptom improvement; we can get most patients truly well.

We can help you get back to the real you.

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What is TMS Therapy?

How Does It Work?

TMS or Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation is an advanced technique that uses MRI-strength magnetic energy to target the brain regions that regulate a person's mood. This approach to treating depression allows our staff of experts to improve the function of these areas, which in turn relieves depression.

Unique features of TMS Therapy include:

- Non-invasive (does not involve any surgery, anesthesia or sedation), which is important as it facilitates a treatment that is very safe¹
- Non-systemic (does not travel through the bloodstream like medication), which allows the therapy to be focused on the regions of the brain that need help
- The patient is awake and alert during treatment, enabling patients to easily and independently come and go to treatment sessions. TMS Therapy can be provided in a convenient outpatient setting.



"I've battled depression for over 30 years until I discovered NeuroStar TMS Therapy, which has saved my life. After TMS, the emotional nausea was gone. I felt lifted out of that heavy, dark, hopeless feeling. Today, I feel clear, centered, light and happy. I feel like a better Martha."

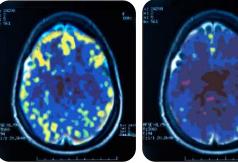
- MARTHA RHODES Author, 3,000 Pulses Later: My TMS Journey



"I was in a constant state of misery. Drugs would work for a little bit, then wear off again. My depression was a real thing, but I didn't think there was anything I could do about it. With TMS Therapy, you have to think of it as an investment. An investment in getting the rest of your life back."

- ROBERT RODGER Patient Advocate

Brain Activity: Healthy vs Depressed ⁵



Healthy Brain Scan

Depressed Brain Scan

TMS has a unique way of working when compared to all other treatments for depression. TMS works by stimulating areas of the brain involved in mood regulation that are under active in a person with depression. The MRI-strength magnetic field facilitates neurons to fire releasing chemicals (neurotransmitters). These are the same neurotransmitters that are provided artificially through antidepressant medications.

Also, TMS helps functional connectivity of the brain, so circuits that fire together, wire together. This stimulation results in those areas of the brain returning to a more normal, functional state. TMS Therapy provides superior symptom relief and a sustainable benefit for most individuals even after multiple ineffective attempts with medications.^{2, 3, 4}



TMS Therapy Facts

- It's Safe: No adverse effects on memory or cognition
- It's Comfortable: No need for anesthesia or sedation
- It's Outpatient: Treatments performed in our professional office setting and patients can return to their daily activities post treatment
- It's Covered: Most private insurance and Medicare cover TMS Therapy*
- It's Natural: Your brain is activated to release the needed chemicals necessary for proper mood regulation.

Is It Right for You?

Place a check if you answer "yes" to any of the following questions:

- Are you taking medication(s) to treat your mood disorder?
- Are you still struggling with your mood disorder despite medication trials?
- Are you experiencing side effects from your medication(s)?
- Have you ever switched medications more than once due to side effects?
- Is your mood disorder interfering with your ability to function as you would like in relationships, at work, home and/or school?

If you checked two or more of the above questions, TMS Therapy might be right for you. Contact us to discover how TMS Therapy could change your life for the better.

(1) A staff member will discuss the risks of TMS Therapy during the consultation before starting treatment.
(2, 3, 4) Carpenter et al, 2012, Dunner et al, 2013, Arms et al, 2012.

 (2) 5, 4) Carpener et al., 2012, Durine et al., 2013, Wills et al., 2012.
 (5) Mark George, MD, Biological Psychiatry Branch Division of Intramural Research Programs, NIMH 1993.
 *Our staff with verify if you have coverage before starting treatment.

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