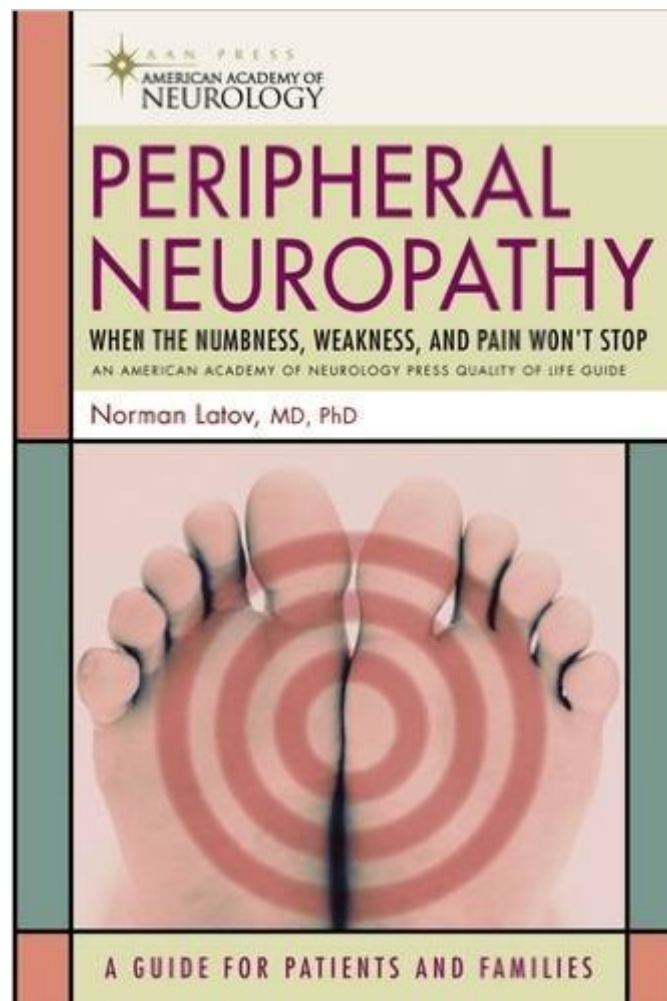


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Beware of doctors who under treat and downplay the seriousness of Neuropathy. I have been struggling with the pain and tingling of feet and hands for several years. My primary doctor (of eight

years) just shrugged it off and said "It's probably just Neuropathy, nothing serious." He recommended Alive for the pain. On my last visit with my physician I again complained that my nerve, joint, and muscle pain was getting worse. I had trouble sleeping even four hours a night. I was having difficulty walking straight. As I spoke a sharp and intense pain struck the back of my left hand. I couldn't help but react. Then he said, with a smile: "Nobody should live past 75." (I'm 73.) After I fired him I found another primary care Physician who prescribed a better medication for my pain. His initial examination was the most thorough I have ever experienced. He also referred me to a Neurologist. The Neurologist used a machine to administer jolts of electricity at various places on my feet, legs, arms, and hands. When he was finished he said that I had Moderate Polyneuropathy. He agreed with me that my former physician should have ordered this test, but he couldn't say anything about my prognosis. With this information I started a search on the Internet. I found that one of the medications my former doctor had me on had the possible side effect of Neuropathy. I conveyed this information to my new primary care physician. The next day his nurse telephoned to tell me that my blood pressure medication WAS the cause of my Neuropathy. My new doctor had reviewed all my lab tests and was certain of this finding. Naturally he changed my medication.

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