

CPD EVENT RECORD - LEARNING WITH OTHERS

THE VAGUS NERVE

with Prof. Owen Epstein

LIVE EVENT

5th March 2025

90
minutes

Summary

This discussion covered the role of the vagus nerve in various physiological and medical conditions, including its connection to the gut-brain axis, chronic physical illnesses, mental health disorders, and autonomic nervous system regulation. The interviewee, a consultant gastroenterologist, explained the importance of the vagus nerve beyond just the digestive system and how it can be evaluated and potentially treated through various non-invasive techniques.

NICE Guidelines: IPG679 - Implanted vagus nerve stimulation for treatment-resistant depression, IPG50 - Vagus nerve stimulation for refractory epilepsy in children.

Principles and Standards of Practice

OSTEOPATHIC THEMES (Osteopathic Practice Standards 2019)

- A. Communication and patient partnership: A1, A2, A4, A5
- B. Knowledge, skills and performance: B1, B2, B3, B4
- C. Safety and quality in practice: C1, C6
- D. Professionalism: D10

This discussion is relevant to Communication and Consent.

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Taking part in the discussion on vagus nerve stimulation has enhanced my understanding of its role in patient care. I will integrate this knowledge into my practice by considering its effects on autonomic regulation and well-being. I was reminded of the importance of patient education when discussing treatment options, particularly since many in the wider medical professions have yet to think beyond 'hardware' interventions.