

# Neurophysiology of The Nervous System

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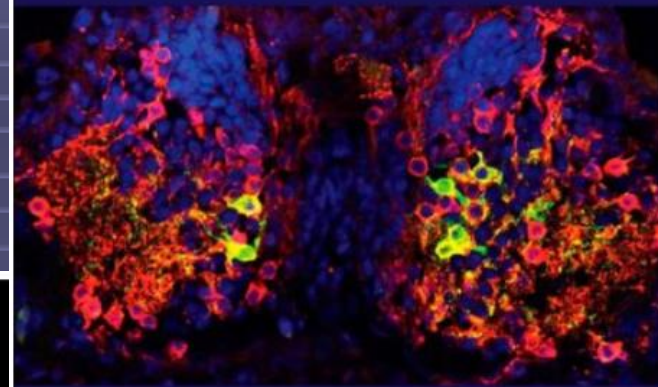
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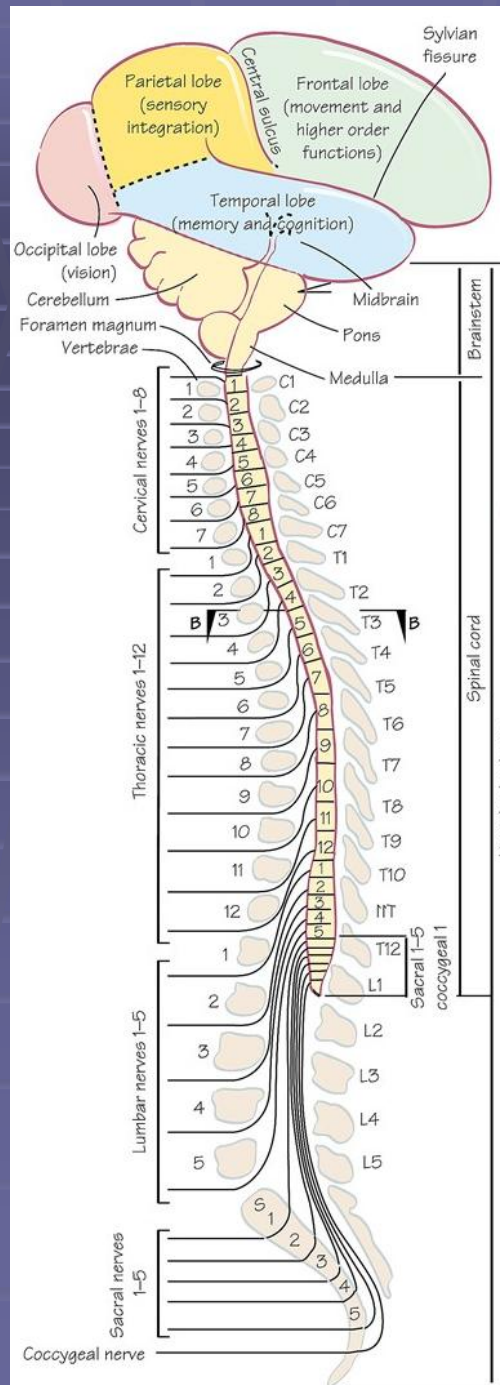
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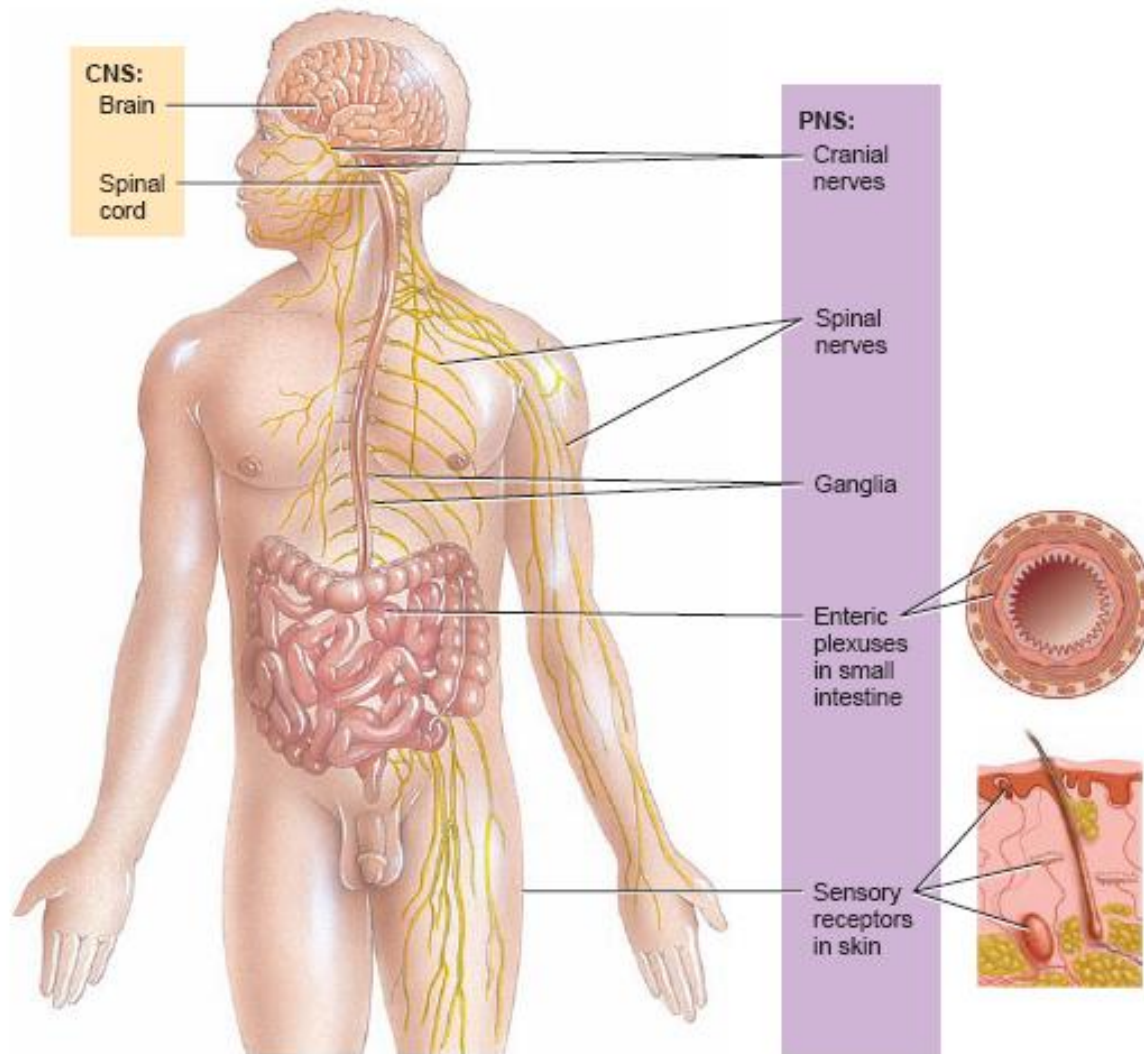
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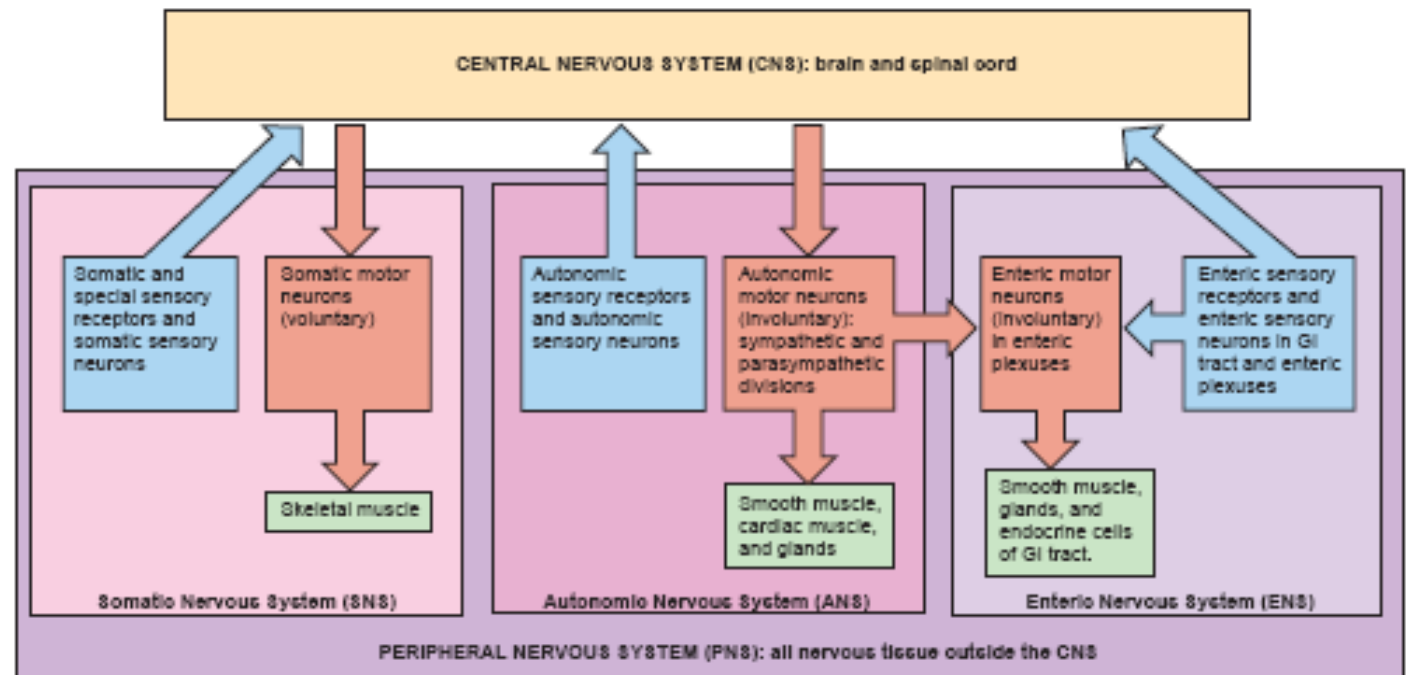
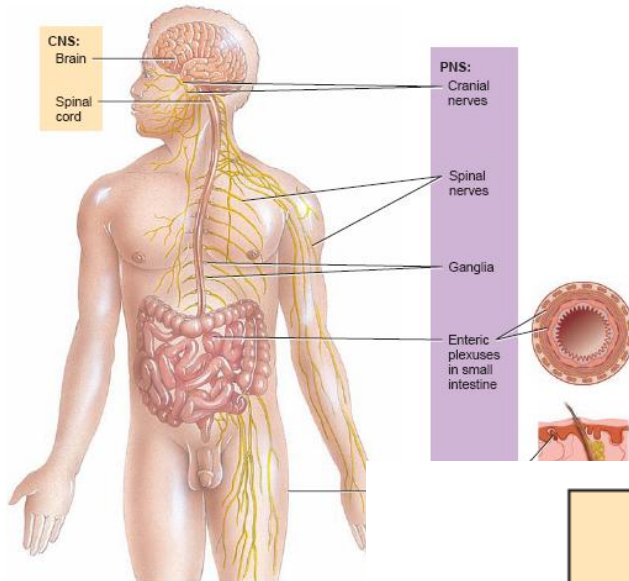


# Organization of the nervous system

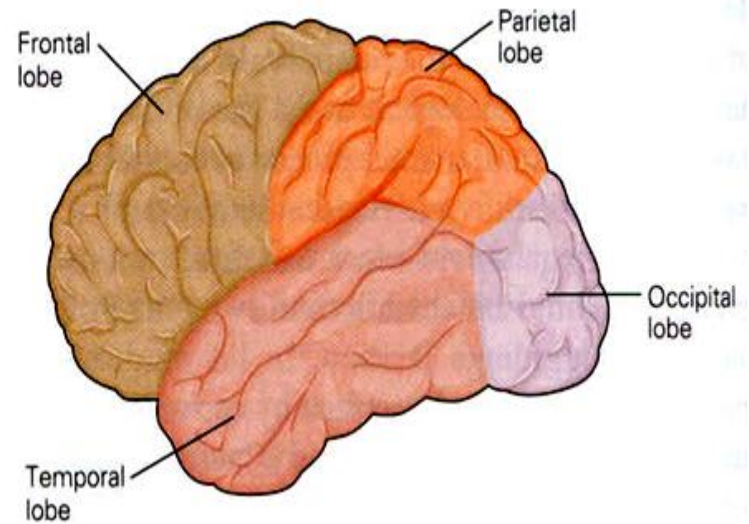
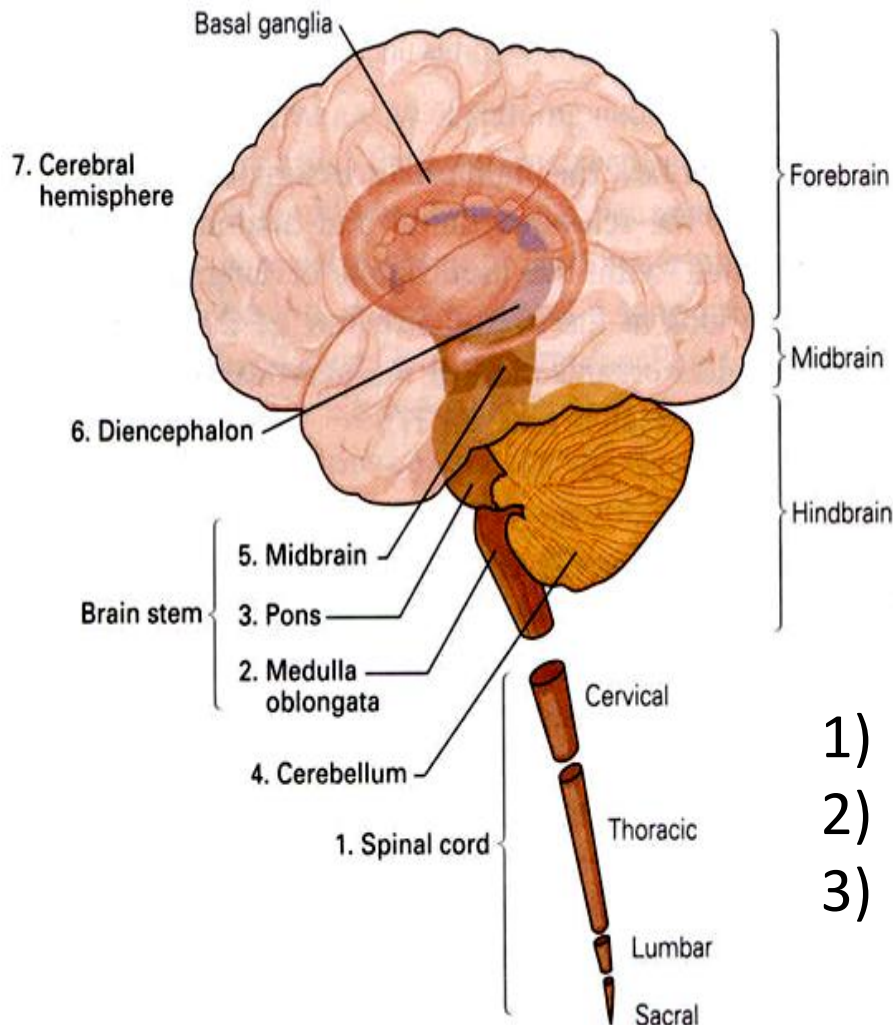




# Organization of the nervous system



# Levels of the CNS



**Figure 1-2B** The four lobes of the cerebral cortex.

- 1) Spinal cord
- 2) Brain stem and sub cortical
- 3) Cerebral cortex

# 3 Major Levels of CNS Function

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- The spinal cord level.
  - more than just a conduit for signals from periphery of body to brain and vice versa.
  - cord contains:
    - walking circuits.
    - reflexes circuits.

# The brain stem and subcortical

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- Contains:
  - medulla, pons, mesencephalon, hypothalamus, thalamus, cerebellum and basal ganglia.
- Controls subconscious body activities:
  - arterial pressure, respiration, equilibrium, feeding reflexes, emotional patterns.



# The Higher Brain or Cortical Level

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- Higher order functions : language, thoughts and personality
- Large memory storehouse.
- Each portion of the nervous system performs specific functions, but it is the cortex that opens the world up for one's mind.

# Organization of the Nervous System

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- Sensory Division
  - tactile, visual, auditory, olfactory.
- Motor Division
  - respond to and move about in our environment.
- Integrative Division
  - process information, creation of memory.

# Somatosensory Axis of the Nervous System

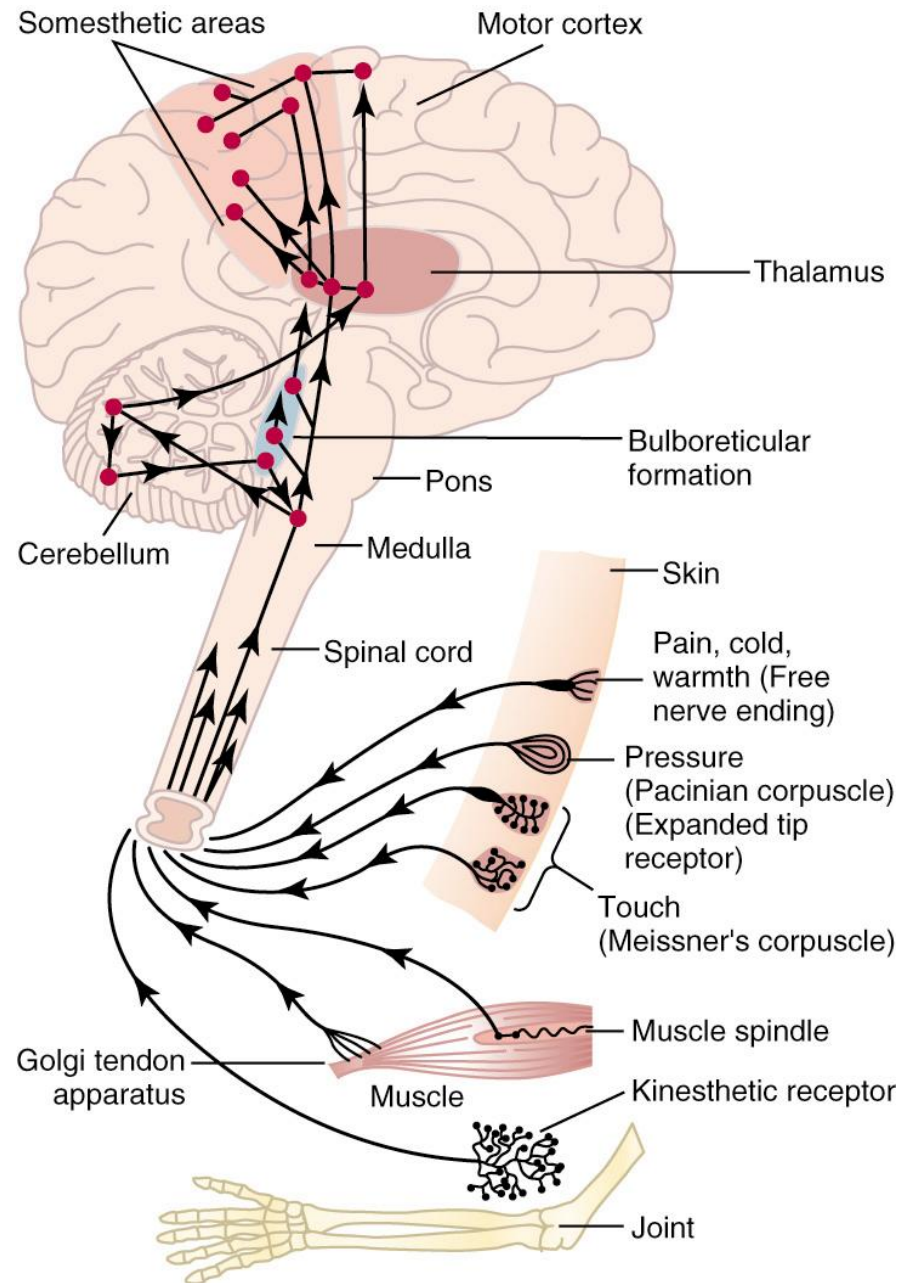


Figure 45-2

# Skeletal Motor Nerve Axis of the Nervous System

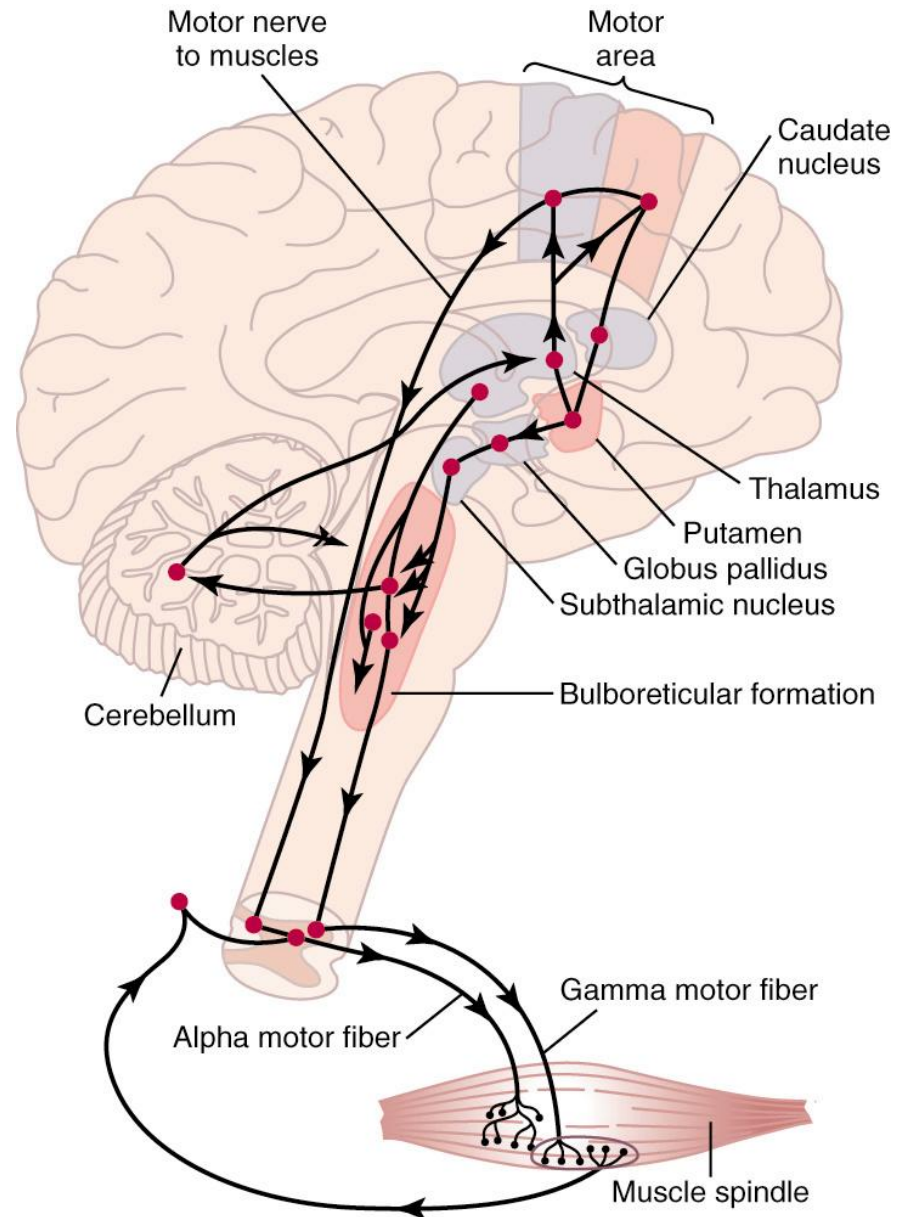
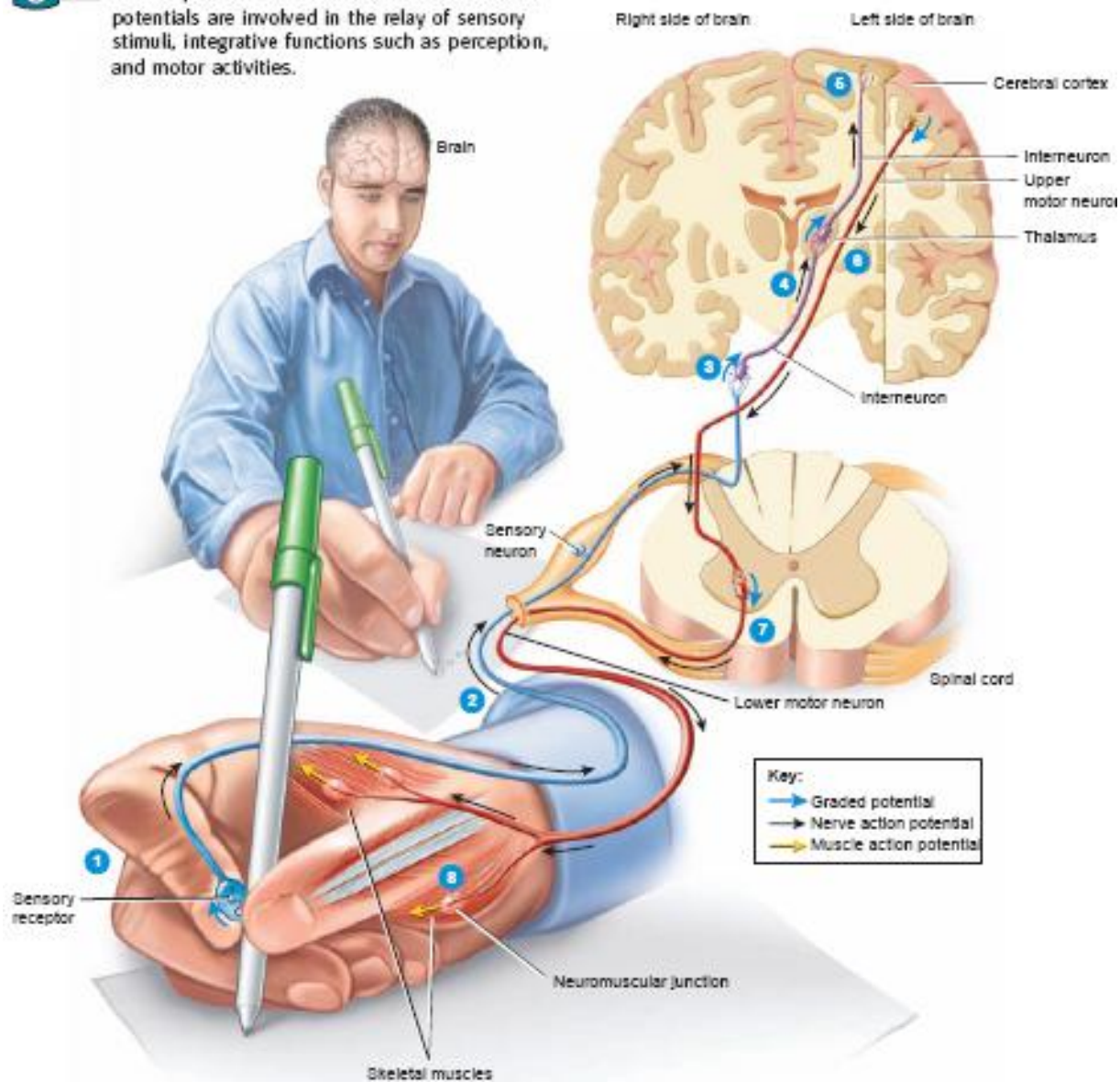


Figure 45-3

**Figure 12.11** Overview of nervous system functions.

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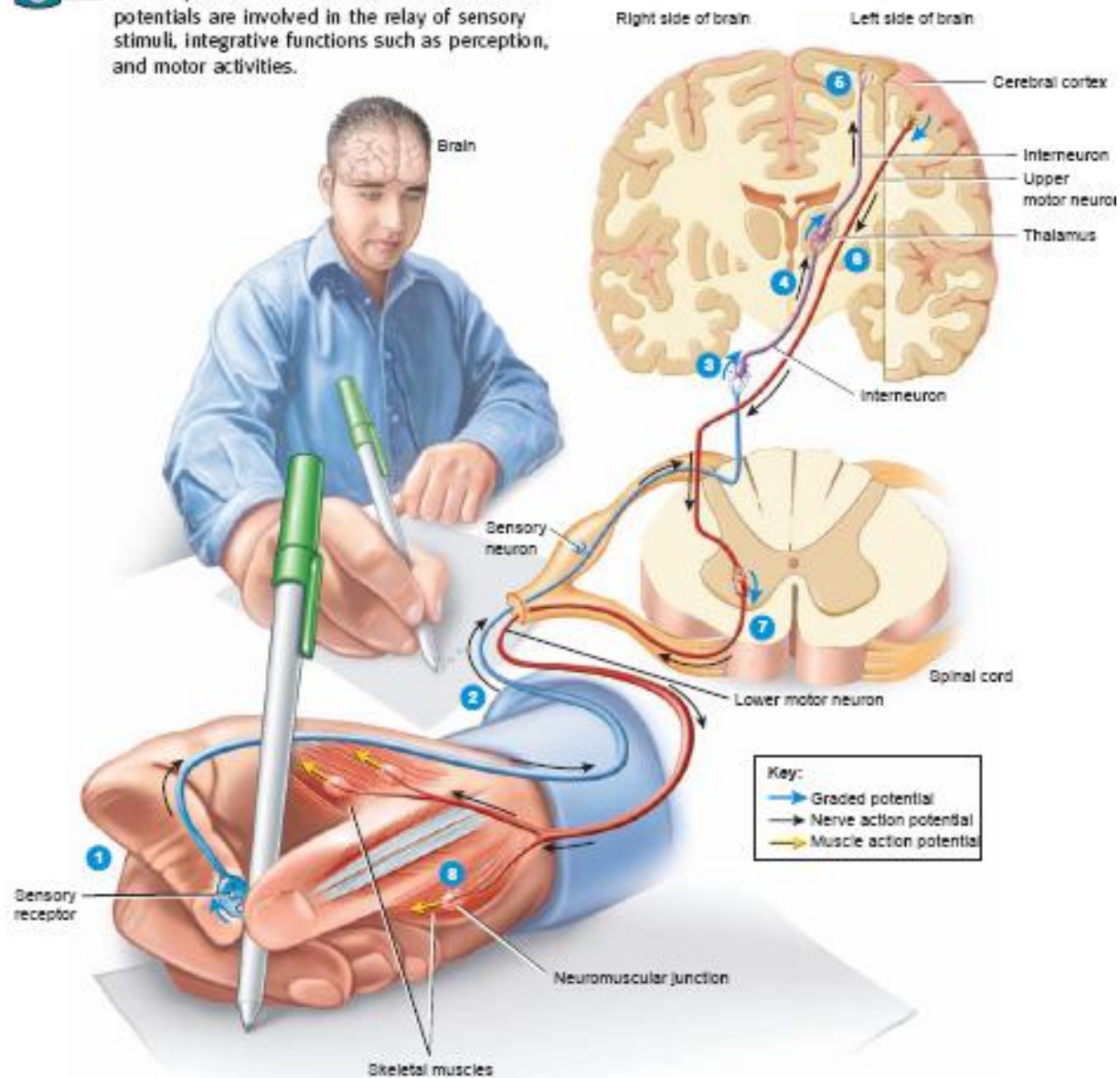




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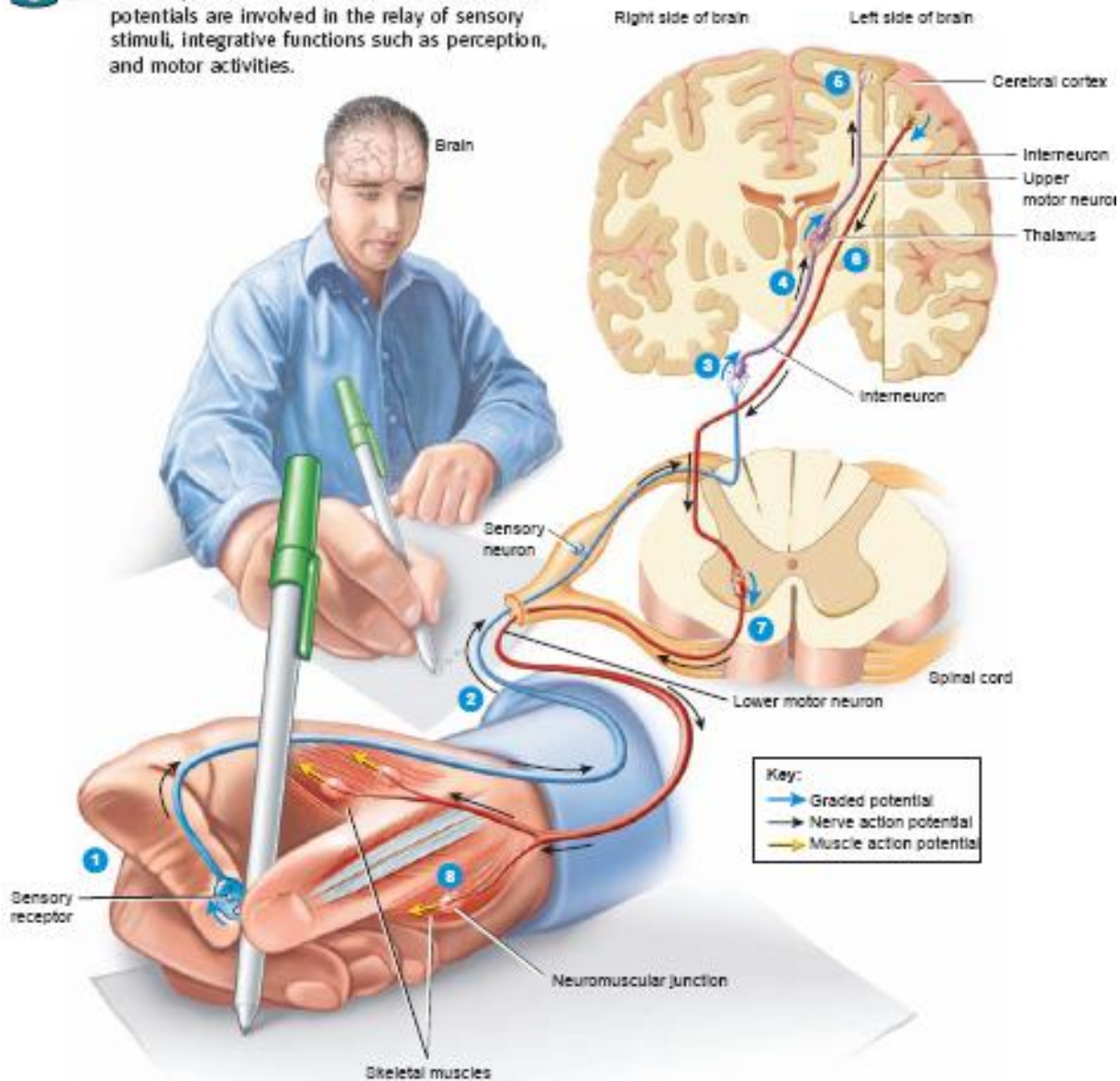
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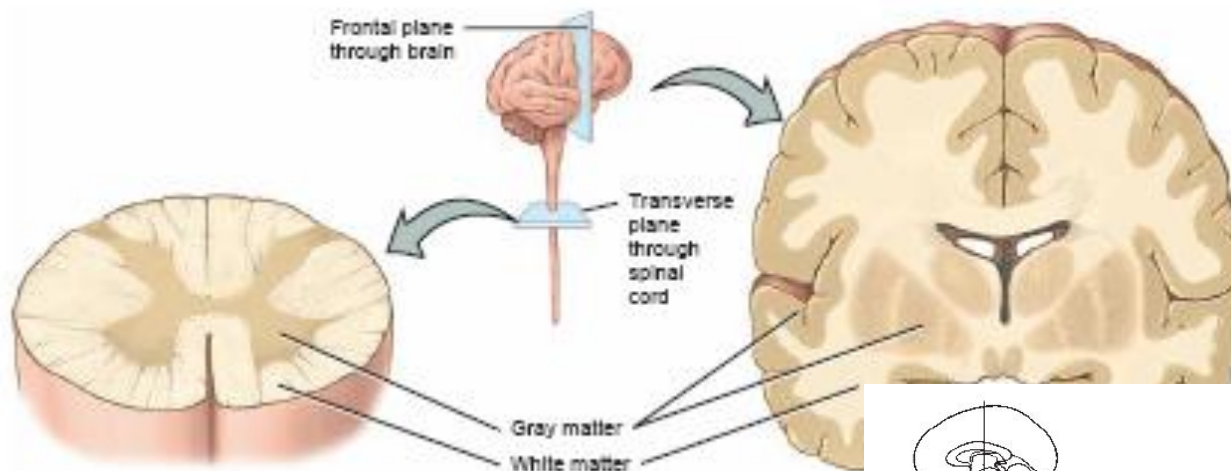
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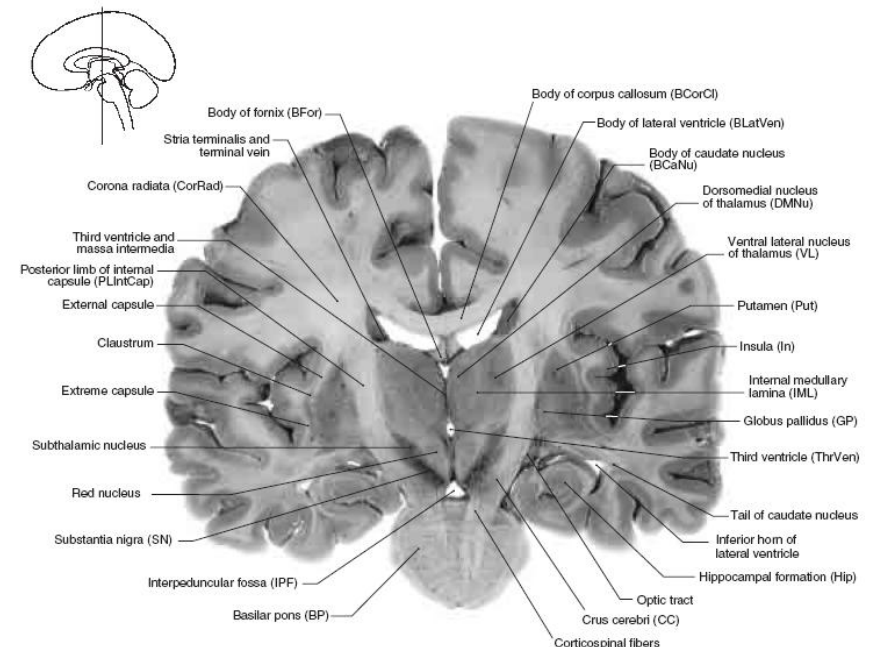
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1<sup>st</sup> order , 2<sup>nd</sup> order and 3<sup>rd</sup> order neurons

# Nervous tissue



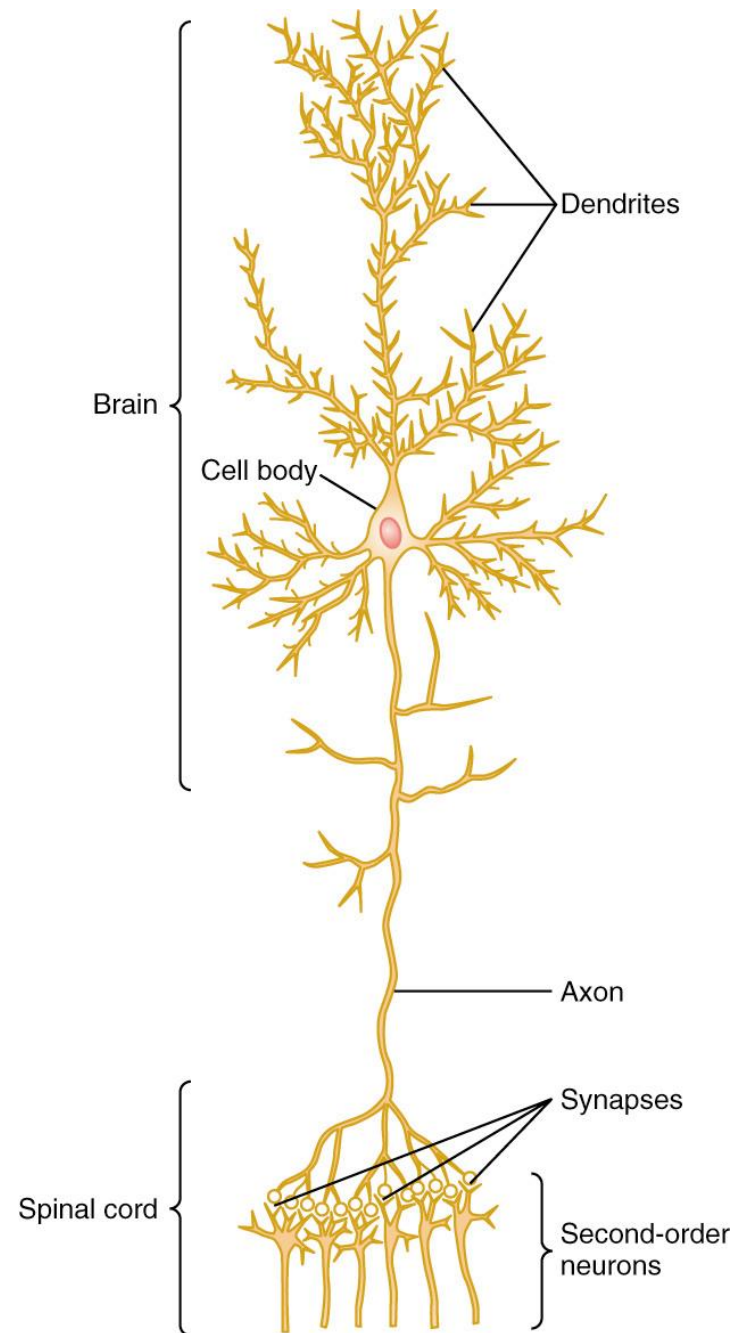
(a) Transverse section of spinal cord



Gray matter : neuron cells

White matter: myelinated axons

# Neuron Structure





# Types of neurons

