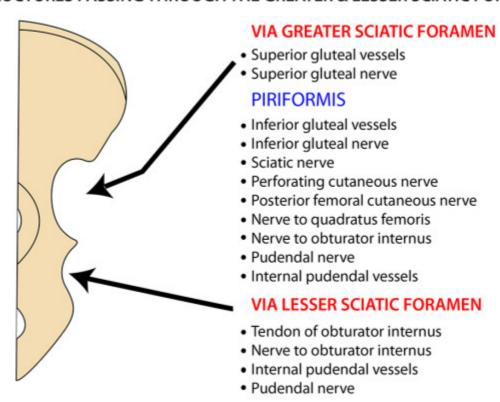
Sciatic Foramina & the 6Ps

STRUCTURES PASSING THROUGH THE GREATER & LESSER SCIATIC FORMINA



There are six nerves that arise from the roots of the sacral plexus that are associated with the word "P"

F	Piriformis, nerve to:	S1,2	Remains in pelvis to supply this muscle
F	Posterior femoral cutaneous nerve:	\$1,2,3	Leaves pelvis via greater sciatic foramen
F	Perforating cutaneous nerve:	S2,3	Leaves pelvis via greater sciatic foramen
F	Pudendal nerve:	\$2,3,4	Leaves pelvis via greater sciatic foramen
	Pelvic splanchnic parasympathetic) nerves:	\$2,3,4	Remains in pelvis to supply pelvic organs
F	Perineal branch of S4:	S4	Remains in pelvis to supply levator ani

3 nerves remain in the pelvis & 3 exit via the greater sciatic foramen