Managing Vestibular Dysfunction

Michelle Gutierrez, PT, DSc

Saturday Feb 10, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
& Sunday Feb 11, 8:00 am -2:45 pm

Campbell Building Room 113 (Lunch and snacks included in registration cost)

14.0 CCUs has been approved from the Texas Physical Therapy Association

Course Description: This course will provide a comprehensive review of the physical therapeutic assessment and management of Vestibular Disorders. The target audience includes physical therapists working with patients complaining of dizziness. Secondary audience will be physical therapist assistants and occupational therapists working with patients complaining of dizziness. This is an introductory course; no prior experience with Vestibular Rehabilitation is required. The anatomy, pathophysiology and the clinical features of common vestibular disorders will be reviewed with emphasis on therapeutic techniques used in treatment. Lecture, demonstration, videos and hands-on lab will be used to present this information.

About the Instructor:
Michelle Gutierrez, PT, DSc, received her Master’s in Physical Therapy from the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston and her Doctor of Science from the University of Alabama Birmingham. She has inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation experience in the El Paso and Las Cruces area, in staff and supervisory capacities. She has experience in a hearing and balance center in Las Cruces pursuing her interest in vestibular rehab. She is a Clinical Assistant Professor at University of Texas at El Paso at the Doctor of Physical Therapy Department. Her most recent clinical experience was at William Beaumont Army Medical Center working with both orthopedically and neurologically involved service members. She has taught continuing education courses for practicing therapists and physicians in Texas, New Mexico and Louisiana. She completed the Vestibular Competency Course in 1998. She is a member of American Physical Therapy Association’s Academy of Neurological Physical Therapists, and Orthopedic and Education Sections and has held various elected offices in the Vestibular Rehabilitation Special Interest Group.

Objectives: Participants should be able to:

- Understand the basic anatomy and physiology of the vestibular system
- Describe the pathophysiology of common vestibular disorders
- List the most common diagnoses/causes of vestibular dysfunction
- Correctly perform common vestibular/balance objective measures as part of the clinical exam of patients with complaints of dizziness and recognize the clinical presentation of common vestibular dysfunctions
- Interpret results of the clinical exam and select and develop appropriate treatments for individuals to address dizziness
- Accurately assess and perform appropriate canalith repositioning maneuvers for BPPV
- Identify red flags and understand when to refer for further diagnostic testing
Agenda:
Lecture and lab course covered in two days; Feb 10, 2018 Saturday from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm with 30 minute lunch and two 15 min breaks and Feb 11, 2018 Sunday from 8:00 am – 2:45 pm with 30 minute lunch and one 15 min break for a total of 14 hours.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION
(course is limited to 36 participants)
Participants must register online no later than 5pm on Feb 9 at:
https://secure.touchnet.net/C21711_ustores/web/store_main.jsp?STOREID=25&SINGLESTORE=true

SEE DISCOUNT CODES BELOW

There is no mechanism to refund the discount in the event a participant registers accidentally under the full price. It is important that the correct amount for registration is shown before hitting submit

NO ONSITE REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED*
* There is 1 exception to onsite registration. Individuals with DPT CCU coupons, please send your registration information to bscarborough@utep.edu to reserve a seat. Bring your DPT CCU coupons and register on-site the day of the course.

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Mailing address:_____________________________________________________________
Email-address: ____________________________
Phone-number: ___________________________
PT or PTA license number:____________________
APTA number (if a member):___________________
Last time you served as a CCCE or CI for a UTEP PT student (if applicable):_____________

Refund Policy: There will be no refunds, but paid registration may be transferred to another individual.

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If you have any questions prior to the day of the course, contact Loretta Dillon 915-747-8215 or ldillon@utep.edu

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