

Neuro-Visual Processing (Optometric) Rehabilitation and Visual/Postural Dysfunction Following a Neurological Event: Level II

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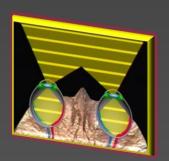
Course Description:



This workshop will advance the understanding of the base of support (BOS) and the visual process. Neuro-Visual Postural Therapy (NVPT) will reveal how vision can affect movement and postural relationships. It will show the concatenation of changes possible to posture, movement and spatial orientation. NVPT will emphasize the profound relationship between the motor system and the senses, particularly vision. This course will provide the advanced concepts, as well as the sequence and methods of working with patients and prisms. You will learn how the motor system can be used to advance your therapeutic intervention to the highest level for your patients. Gain an understanding about PT and OT, as well as Speech Therapy, with more complex interventions, and higher-level skills, from therapists with a more comprehensive understanding about motor and sensory function.







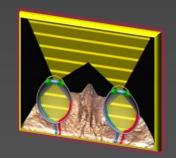
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- Creating a model of vision for neuro-rehabilitation
- Paradigm shift
- Prisms
- Need for understanding development related to posture and vision
- Need to observe and assess posture









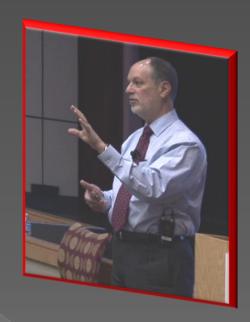
Level II Course Objectives

- Define the relationship between the spatial visual process and the base of support (BOS).
- Demonstrate the means of stabilizing the visual spatial process through lateral extension and flexion.
- Demonstrate how to incorporate yoked prisms with movement to affect the BOS in treating PTVS and VMSS.
- List the binocular visual dysfunctions related to visual spatial visual processing dysfunction.
- Discuss and explain how prisms used in conjunction with NVPT affects binocular imbalances.
- Demonstrate use of the technology of 'NeurOpTrek' to assess posture balance and VMSS.
- Create an understanding of binocularity relative to dysfunction between the ambient visual process and the motor system
- Develop an advanced understanding of how to utilize prisms in conjunction with NVPT to affect binocular problems such as strabismus as well as spatial dysfunction.
- Utilize technology for assessing VMSS





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