Melissa Bloom, PT, DPT, NCS
Melissa is a board-certified specialist in neurologic physical therapy. Melissa earned her doctorate degree in physical therapy from Emory University in 2004 and passed her certificate of competency at the Emory and APTA sponsored vestibular rehabilitation competency course in 2007. She is currently the Chair of Georgia Neurology Physical therapy special interest group. Melissa has also been a grand rounds presenter and assists with neurology and vestibular teaching for DPT students at Emory University and Georgia State University. Additionally, she teaches several national vestibular and neurology continuing education courses, including a beginning vestibular rehabilitation course for the APTA. Melissa specializes in concussion management, vestibular rehabilitation, neurological PT treatment, and fall prevention. She practices neurologic physical therapy in an outpatient setting in Georgia and runs national Balance & Dizziness and Concussion programs including program development and mentoring.

Faculty

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Outpatient Education Department

TARGET AUDIENCE: PT, PTA, OT, COTA
LEVEL: Introductory/Essential
CONTACT HOURS: 14

Clinical Management of the Dizzy Patient Level 1 – An Introduction to Vestibular Rehabilitation

QUESTIONS:
If you have questions, please contact course Coordinator, Emily Tucker:
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Program Accreditation:
Select Medical is an approved provider with the American Occupational Therapy Association. This course is pending approval with the New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Maryland State Boards of Physical Therapy Examiners.
Clinical Management of the Dizzy Patient
Level 1 – An Introduction to Vestibular Rehabilitation

Course Description
This evidence based course is designed to enhance the physical therapists’ ability to appropriately evaluate and design effective therapeutic interventions for common vestibular disorders. Beyond BPPV, multiple peripheral and central causes of vertigo and dizziness will be explored, including: unilateral vestibular hypofunction, migraine vertigo, anxiety related dizziness, chronic subjective dizziness, and post concussion dizziness.

Course Objectives
Upon completion of this course, the participant will be able to:
• Describe the normal and pathological anatomy and physiology of the vestibular system.
• Identify important aspects of patient history and characteristics of subjective symptoms.
• Describe the main causes of vertigo and dizziness.
• Demonstrate a thorough ocular motor, postural stability, and gait exam
• Properly interpret examination findings in order to determine diagnosis of common vestibular disorders.
• Provide rationale for therapeutic procedures provided to the vestibular patient

Participant to Instructor Ratio: 16:1

Agenda
Saturday  
08:00 Introduction  
• Vestibular rehabilitation background  
• Clinical Anatomy and Physiology  
• Alexander’s Law  
• Differential Diagnosis Introduction  
• Taking a good history of the dizzy patient  
08:45 Vestibular Evaluation  
10:00 Break  
10:15 Vestibular Evaluation Con’t  
11:00 Differential Diagnosis, Pathology, and Treatment of Unilateral Vestibular Hypofunction (UVH)  
12:00 Lunch  
12:30 Unilateral Vestibular Hypofunction (UVH) Con’t  
2:30 Break  
2:45 Differential Diagnosis, Pathology, and Treatment of BPPV Lab  
5:00 Close  

Sunday (working lunch)  
08:00 Differential Diagnosis, Pathology, and Treatment of Central vestibular or Non-vestibular disorders  
10:00 Break  
10:15 Lab - Evaluation, UVH, BPPV, and central/non vestibular  
11:15 Additional Vestibular Disorders  
12:00 Break / Working Lunch  
12:15 Additional Vestibular Disorders  
2:00 Case Studies  
2:30 Close

Registration Fee: $425.00

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