Continuing Education Course

DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY: CURRENT UNDERSTANDING AND TREATMENT

Improve treatment and outcomes for your clients with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy

FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2015
LONG BEACH, CA

ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR

Jennifer Wallace, MPT from Chapman University, draws from 12 years of experience in pediatrics and with an emphasis in the muscular dystrophy population. She has been invited to present current treatment topics and advances at Duchenne conferences and has taught continuing education to healthcare professionals since 2009. She is the owner of Duchenne Therapy Network and provides evaluation, treatment and consultations for those with Duchenne and Becker muscular dystrophy.

Duchenne is the most common, terminal childhood genetic illness and at the same time is likely the most misunderstood condition. Recent innovative research has uncovered many mysteries of Duchenne including its etiology, pathophysiology and treatment.

Therapists continue to be one of the primary treatment options for those who have Duchenne. It is vital that we have a thorough understanding of the disease and deliver appropriate treatments based on the current evidence. Inadequate understanding of the disease can lead to muscle injury of patients who are already at risk for severe muscle degeneration. Further education is crucial to our patients’ lives.

This course will explain the incidence, etiology, pathophysiology, progression and the stages of mobility of Duchenne. Therapy treatment, orthopedic management, activity modification and equipment selection will be covered. An update on current research and clinical trials will be provided to course participants.

WHY TAKE THIS COURSE?

This course is ideal for physical therapists, occupational therapists, adapted physical educators and would be beneficial for others involved in the care of persons with Duchenne such as speech and language pathologists, educators, physicians, and nursing professionals. A separate course for parents and caregivers will be offered in Pasadena, CA on Saturday, June 27. (see website for details)

THE PARTICIPANT WILL BE ABLE TO

- Demonstrate an in depth understanding of Duchenne
- Identify the typical progression of the disease
- Select appropriate physical therapy treatment options
- Develop thorough care plans for clients and families
- Make appropriate and timely referrals to other healthcare providers
- Understand current research strategies and upcoming treatments

COURSE DETAILS

DATE & TIME
Friday, June 26, 2015
8:00am-5:00pm

LOCATION
Tichenor Orthopedic Clinic for Children
1660 Termino Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90804

FEE
Early registration $130 (prior to 6/12)
Regular registration $165 (6/13 or after)

REGISTRATION
1. Download the registration form.
   www.DuchenneTherapyNetwork.com
2. Complete the form & email or mail:
   registration@duchennetherapynetwork.com
   US Mail: P.O. Box 58, Corona, CA 92878-0058

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