Speed, Agility and Quickness Training

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Day One
7:30 8:00
Registration
8:00 8:30
Dynamic Warm Up: Why You Should Never Static Stretch Before an Activity
- Negative effects of static stretching on performance
- Benefits of performing a dynamic warm up

8:30 9:00
The Start: How to Position Yourself for Maximum Speed
- The athletic stance
- Three point stance
- Starting starts
- First step quickness

9:00 10:00
Linear Speed Development
- Dynamic warm-up drills for linear speed
- Dynamic warm up drills for multidirectional speed
- Starting positions for max speed

10:00 10:15
Break

10:15 11:15
Multi-Directional Speed Development: Teaching correct mechanics and identifying the most common flaws in technique
- Acceleration
- Top Speed
- Deceleration
- Video Analysis

11:15 12:15
Lunch (on your own)

12:15 1:15
Lab Session II
- Acceleration drills
- Top speed drills
- Multidirectional drills
- Agility ladder drills
- Reaction and quickness drills

1:15 3:15
Plyometrics
- Science of plyometrics
- Safety considerations
- Types and progression of drills

3:15 4:15
Break

4:15 4:45
Lab Session III
- Jumps
- Hops
- Bounds
- Medicine ball

Day Two
8:00 9:00
Strength Training for Speed Development
- The most effective exercises
- Intensity, sets, reps and rest periods
- Sample training programs

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Using the Olympic Lifts for Increasing Power
- The Clean and Jerk
- The Snatch
- Alternatives to Olympic Lifting

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Lab Session IV: Teaching Strength and Power Exercises
- RDL’s (double leg and single leg)
- Squats
- Hang cleans and snatches
- Kettlebell swings

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Break

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Performance Testing
- Selecting proper tests, testing order, and rest periods
- Tests for power (VJ, BJ, MB, throws)
- Acceleration and speed testing
- Agility testing
- Functional movement screening

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Maximizing Testing
- Performance for the Football and Baseball Combine
- Vertical jump
- Broad jump
- 5-10-5 shuttle
- 40 yard sprint
- 225 lb bench press
- 60 yard sprint

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Lunch (on your own)

1:15 2:15
How to Set Up Your Own Speed Camps or Clinic
- Liability issues
- Selecting the best location
- Purchasing and choosing the right equipment
- Format of the camp (2 day, 1 week, 4-6 week camps)

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Marketing Your Clinic
- Making contacts: who, what, and how
- Brochures and flyers: how to design them for maximum response
- Capturing media’s attention
- How to write a press release

3:15 4:15
Specialty Clinics
- ACL injury prevention
- Youth
- High school
- Professional athletes
- Firefighter and first responder

4:15 4:45
Sports Nutrition
- Performance eating
- Timing of meals
- Supplements
About the Educator
Brian Lawler, MS, PT, OCS, ATC, CSCS, PES, is the Director of Sports Performance Enhancement at Acceleration Sports Institute in Arden, NC. He obtained a Master of Science degree in Physical Therapy from Duke University in 1993 and is board certified in orthopedics. He also has a Master of Science degree in Exercise Science and Health Promotion with a concentration in performance enhancement and injury prevention from California University of Pennsylvania. He is a certified athletic trainer with NATA, a certified strength and conditioning specialist with NSCA, a performance enhancement specialist with NASM, and an Olympic lifting club coach with USAW. Brian has worked with athletes from every sport imaginable and at all levels of competition, including youth, high school, collegiate, recreational and professional. He is an expert in developing speed, agility and quickness in athletes who participate in explosive sports such as basketball, baseball, football, hockey, rugby, soccer, softball, tennis and volleyball. He also has a special interest in ACL injury prevention and conducts screenings to identify athletes who are at increased risk for injury and conducts injury prevention clinics and training groups for female athletes.

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Why You Should Attend This Course
This two-day intermediate level course is intended for physical therapists, physical therapy assistants, athletic trainers, strength and conditioning coaches and sports coaches. You will learn the best techniques for improving speed, agility and quickness for athletes of all ages and abilities. Many people believe that speed is something that you are just born with but speed is just like any other motor skill which can be improved with proper training. This course has been designed to assist you in identifying common mistakes in acceleration, deceleration and change of direction. Specific instructions and techniques will be provided in order to help you teach correct mechanics with the goal of achieving a more explosive first step for your athletes. After completing this course, participants will be able to help athletes develop a more explosive first step, improve their speed and improve their ability to change direction at a moment’s notice.

Beginning and advanced training techniques will be discussed in this course. Previous experience with these concepts is not necessary prior to attending this course. There are extensive laboratory sessions throughout this course. All participants will receive a comprehensive manual that summarizes the information provided in the lectures. Research support and a list of references for the training techniques will be included. The concepts presented can be applied to both healthy athletes and athletes who are undergoing rehabilitation. You will be able to incorporate the information that is presented immediately into your training and rehabilitation programs. Participants will also learn how to create successful and profitable speed clinics and sports performance programs.

Course Objectives
Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:
• Perform and design warm up drills to best prepare athletes for training and competition.
• Teach athletes to position themselves in the best alignment so as to give them a more explosive first step.
• Teach corrective techniques for acceleration, deceleration and change in direction and identify the most common flaws in technique.
• Perform the most effective drills for improving speed, acceleration and change direction such as the wall drill, falling starts, get up and go, ball drops, cone drills andmore!
• Recognize the science of plyometrics to be able to safely and systematically progress athletes through the various drills.
• Teach the most effective exercises for developing speed, strength and power.
• Identify which performance tests, such as vertical jumps, broad jump, medicine ball throw, T-test, pro shuttle agility and 10 yd. sprint to evaluate an athletes performance.
• Properly interpret collected data to identify an athletes strength and weaknesses.
• Train and teach the “tricks” to get the best performance possible in combining tests.
• Design and market your speed, agility and quickness clinics.
• Recognize the concepts of sports nutrition so that you can appropriately communicate the benefits of proper nutrition for maximum results.
• Appropriately apply training techniques and concepts during the rehabilitation of sports injuries, including post surgical patients.