The Post-Surgical Elbow, Wrist and Hand

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Day One

7:30 8:00	8:00 8:30	Registration Anatomy and Physiology • Surface anatomy of the elbow, wrist and hand	8:00	9:00	Splint Patterns Specific for Postoperative Patients (Lab) • Thumb spica • Short opponens • Dorsal/Volar cockups
		 Anatomy and kinesiology of the elbow, wrist and hand Anatomic and physiologic differences between children and adults and between the elderly and adult patients 	9:00	10:30	Therapist's Management of the Complex Injury • Treatment plan be established for various diagnoses of the elbow, forearm, wrist and har
8:30 8:45	8: 45 9: 15	Case Examples/Lab Examination Lab • Accurate and thorough assessment of patient			Compartmental SyndromeGunshot injuryCross finger flapAmputated finger
		 Upper Quarter screen 	10:30	10:45	Break
		 Functional Assessment 	10:45	11:15	Discussion Q and A
9:15 9:30	9:30 10:30	Break Brief Overview of	44.45	40.45	Case examples/orthotic interventions
		Musculoskeletal I maging Role of imaging in therapy intervention When to recommend imaging	11:15	12:15	Splint Patterns for Postoperative Patients (Lab) Sugar tong Digit splint design
		 Clinical decision making and 	12:15	1:15	Lunch (on your own)
10:30	11:00	clinical practice guidelines Case Examples: Lab	1:15	2:15	Forearm, Wrist and Hand (Lecture/Lab)
11:00	12:00	Clinical Wound Healing- Management Treatment and management Wound cleansing/dressings Review of surgical procedures for wound management			Common injuries Scaphoid fractures and non- unions Wrist arthritis – arthrodesis arthroplasty, Proximal row carpectomy
12:00 1:00	1:00 2:00	Lunch (on your own) Fracture Healing Three phases of healing Factors that influence healing Complications in fracture healing			- Distal radius fractures - TFCC debridement/repair - Ligament injuries - Digital fractures • Patient history and
2:00	3:00	Nerve Injuries and Repair Nerve injury classifications Nerve repair protocols			observation • Postoperative precautions/
3:00	3:15	Break			therapy
3:15	4:00	Tendon Injuries	0.15	2.20	Evidence-based protocols
		Tendon healing • ZonesRepair and suture type	2:15 2:30	2:30 3:30	Break Common Elbow Injuries Case studies
4:00	5:00	Stiffness/Scar • Post-operative care and the scar response • Pathophysiology of stiffness			Elbow fractures and dislocationsUCL repair
5:00	6:00	Post Operative Management of Pain and Inflammation Patient education Pharmacokinetics and the effect ot therapy interventions			 Elbow arthroscopy Patient history and observation Postoperative precautions/ therapy Evidence-based protocols
		Analgesics and anti-inflammatory agents Edema management	3:30	4:00	Case Study-Group DiscussionDiscussion/Q&A

Day Two

Certificates of attendance are given upon successful completion of the course.

This course is 15.0 contact hours/1.50 CEUs

This course is 18 hours/ 1.8 CEUs for therapists licensed in the District of Columbia, Florida, Illinois and New York

About the Educator

Rozanni Senanayake, OTD, MS, OTR/L CHT, has been practicing as an Occupational Therapist for over 20 years. She obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Oregon State University and then a Master's in Occupational Therapy from the University of Puget Sound. She went on to become credentialed as a Certified Ergonomic Assessment Specialist (CEAS) and as a Certified Hand Therapist (CHT). A strong believer in lifelong learning and evidence-based practice, she went on to obtain her post-professional doctorate in OT with an emphasis in hand rehabilitation. Her drive to help patients pushes her to treat a never-ending stream of patients that know they can rely on her careful treatment planning and informed clinical decisions.

After many years of working in other practice settings, Dr. Senanayake realized that she could help even more patients by starting her own practice. So in 2003, she founded Washington Hand Therapy, which has guickly grown to four locations. She shares her philosophy of lifelong learning, by making continuing education a priority for herself and her therapists and ensuring that all treatment is based on the most current evidence-based research. Under her guidance, the practice is driven by personalized care, where treatments progress the patients through the three-part path to wellness and functional recovery: pain relief, physical rehabilitation, and injury prevention / maintenance. Coupling strong positive results with strong relationships to referring sources, Dr. Senanayake, and her therapists, truly differentiate themselves from other practices in the area.

It is without a doubt, that as a therapist, business owner, and lecturer, Dr. Senanavake has had a huge impact on a great number of both patients and therapists and her passion for the diffusion of knowledge and care only drives her to infect others to join her in her pursuit of positive patient experience.







Why You Should Attend This Course

How comfortable are you in managing a post-surgical patient? Are you dependent on generalized protocols, or can you think outside the box? Do you feel confident treating a post-op patient who walks into the clinic with bulky dressings and no prescription? Therapists who are not only empowered with the knowledge of healing properties of tissue, but also the evidence to support specific treatments, find that clinical reasoning produces much better outcomes than standardized protocols.

This two-day advanced course is designed to give you the tools needed to become a critical thinker when developing a comprehensive program for the post-op elbow wrist and hand.

A systematic overview of the anatomy/physiology and common structures involved in specific diagnoses will be provided along with healing timelines for fractures, nerves, tendons and soft tissue. Post-operative wound care will also be discussed, including dupuytrens release, pin/fracture care and incision/open wound management.

This evidence based information will give you the confidence to progress your patient through the healing stages while considering the pathophysiology and pharmacological effects in the rehabilitation of your post-surgical patient. Review of post-operative diagnostic images will help increase your capacity to correlate imaging and clinical findings. Throughout this course, the importance of patient-centered care, professional collaboration and current evidence-based interventions will be emphasized to ensure exceptional patient outcomes.

At the end of this seminar, participants will be able to utilize clinical reasoning skills to establish treatment plans to promote proper healing and function in the post surgical elbow, wrist and hand patient.

Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course the participant will be able to:

- Identify critical anatomical structures of the elbow, wrist and hand and the ranges of motion available at each joint.
- Identify plans and procedures integrating clinical reasoning and evidence to facilitate best outcomes on injured tissues.
- Understand and discuss the healing properties of tendon, nerves, ligaments and bone and apply the knowledge into any clinical situation.
- Identify common radiographic views of the upper extremity.
- Identify and explain the significance of the impact of abnormal skeletal findings on rehabilitation.
- Assess and treat post-surgical wound, with detailed patient education for follow through and patient compliance.
- Identify an appropriate dressing/treatment protocol for a wound, based upon exudate, wound status and products discussed.
- Identify common medications and side effects that may impede rehabilitation interventions.
- Develop appropriate rehab programs for specific diagnoses to include: Olecranon and radial head fractures. DRUK dislocations, Capsulodesis and ligament reconstructions, CMC arthropalsty with AIN release, ORIF PIP Fx & Hemi hamate arthroplasty and digital amputations.
- Apply the appropriate orthosis justifying healing structures and evidence-based protocols.
- Execute a patient-centered evidence-based treatment plan applying theory into practice.

Registration Form

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