# Vision, Ocular-Motor and Movement Strategies for Integrated Learning in Pediatrics

June Smith



#### **Faculty**

June Smith is a dynamic and engaging instructor, Occupational Therapist and licensed Brain Gym® Instructor. She has certifications in Sensory Integration, SIPT and Neurodevelopmental Treatment. She brings a wealth of experience from varied settings including her previous position as Supervisor of OT Services at a residential/day program with adults/children with developmental challenges and as a clinician/mentor at South Shore Therapies SI clinic. June has more than thirty-five years of experience in the field of OT working with individuals who present with a variety of physical, cognitive and behavioral challenges that impact learning. She is certified to teach both basic and advanced courses entitled "Brain Gym® for children who have Special Needs". She has presented at International Brain Gym® conferences and is a member of the Educational Kinesiology Foundation and has presented at the 2017 AOTA National Conference. In addition, June also works closely with Developmental Optometrists, and collaboratively established a vision clinic to promote visual efficiency.

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#### **About this Course**

This course will focus on clinical decision-making for the use of vision, ocular-motor and movement strategies to enhance outcomes. Emphasis will be on frameworks used with special populations and analysis of assessment data. Movement and rhythm-based therapeutic strategies and ocular-motor assessment will be incorporated through case study review for effective and evidence-based treatment planning. Video case analysis will allow attendees to sharpen observational and assessment skills and integrate course material for more complex clinical data-based decision making in order to L.E.A.R.N.

Learn through Integration
Engagement
Adjust expectations
Repeat predictable patterns
Notice shifts in system

#### **Objectives**

- Develop more refined observational skills for effective treatment planning for the pediatric population
- Describe evidence-based movement strategies with review of related research and expand ability to L.E.A.R.N.
- Assess and interpret how vision and ocular-motor dysfunction can impact learning and describe at least three strategies to increase visual efficiency
- Describe importance of movement and rhythm in relation to attention/learning and demonstrate at least five effective strategies for effective decision making

#### **Audience**

Designed for PTs, PTAs, OTs, OTAs. Therapists who work with children and teens of all ages and abilities. Although applicable to the younger child, it is primarily geared to children age three through their teens, who are minimally to moderately involved physically, as well as children with learning, ocular motor and coordination challenges.



#### Schedule - Day 1

7:30-8:00	Registration/	'Continental	Breakfast
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8:00-10:15	Supporting Theories of Practice and
	applications of clinical brainstorming:
	Overview of process to L.E.A.R.N. and

Overview of process to L.E.A.R.N. and frameworks to support effective assessment

and integrated learning strategies.

**10:15-10:30** Break

**10:30-12:00** Movement-based strategies (e.g. Brain Gym®)

and supportive research that encourages brain function. Importance of the midlines for

physical, emotional and attentional

intelligence and relationship to Building Block

activities.

**12:00-1:00** Lunch (on your own)

**1:00-3:15** Collaborative problem solving including

Reflex Integration, SI and treatment of

Sensory Processing Disorder of high and low

intensity.

**3:15-3:30** Break

**3:30-5:00** Case Study video presentation and clinical

brainstorming for effective treatment planning including core activation and

rhythm-based strategies.

"June is a very knowledgeable and engaging instructor. This course covered many different areas and was very helpful in giving us concrete tools to use immediately." – *Class participant* 

#### Schedule - Day 2

7:30-8:00

8:00-10:15	Focus on the Vestibular system to support attention and ocular motor control; Introduction to the visual system
10:15-10:30	Break

Continental Breakfast

10:30-12:00 Ocular-motor assessment and treatment strategies with clinical brainstorming including: Standardized visual assessments; parent/client questionnaires; resources in

community/online.

**12:00-1:00** Lunch (on your own)

1:00-2:30 Comprehensive assessment on complex

case studies involving integrated approach to treatment. Concepts from ambient vs. focal pathways to support the ocular-motor

system and ability to L.E.A.R.N.

2:30-2:45 Break

**2:45-4:00** Video assessments, collaborative problem

solving and progression of effective

treatment planning. Concepts from Video

Modeling and Dominance Factors. Concluding remarks and questions.



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