Vestibular Rehabilitation: Advanced



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About this On-Demand Course – Recorded in 2025

The course will focus on the assessment and treatment of patients with vertigo and dysequilibrium from unusual vestibular causes. The course is designed for clinicians (PT & OT) with prior vestibular rehabilitation course work and clinical experience. Material covered will include advanced techniques for treating anterior and horizontal canal BPPV, central causes of dizziness (including concussion), identification and treatment of cervicogenic dizziness, persistent postural perceptual dizziness, migraine and other unusual vestibular disorders. As vestibular disorders occur across the lifespan and with various disorders, this information is applicable to a large patient population with symptoms of dizziness.

Learning Objectives

- Diagnose anterior semicircular canal BPPV, and horizontal semicircular canal BPPV, including BPPV affecting the anterior arm of the horizontal semicircular canal
- Choose the various appropriate treatment techniques for anterior semicircular canal BPPV, and horizontal semicircular canal BPPV, including BPPV affecting the anterior arm of the horizontal semicircular canal
- Identify the causes of cervicogenic dizziness
- Interpret a detailed examination of the patient to differentiate between vestibular and cervicogenic causes of dizziness
- Plan a treatment program for individuals with cervicogenic dizziness, including manual traction techniques for the cervical spine and cervical kinesthetic retraining techniques
- Identify central causes of dizziness, including CVA, brain injury, and concussion
- Develop a treatment program based on the nature of the cause of dizziness for a patient with CVA, brain injury, or concussion
- Modify treatment programs based on the nature of the cause of dizziness for a patient with CVA, brain injury, or concussion
- Evaluate other causes of dizziness such as chronic subjective dizziness or migraine associated dizziness
- Develop a treatment program based on the nature of the cause of dizziness for chronic subjective dizziness or migraine associated dizziness
- Modify a treatment program based on the nature of the cause of dizziness for chronic subjective dizziness or migraine associated dizziness



ON-DEMAND Schedule

PART 1:

2 hours

- Clinical Exam: Additional Tools
 - Cover/Uncover & Cross cover tests
 - Head thrust tests for anterior and posterior canals
 - Weber and Rinne tests
- BPPV: Identification and treatment of complex cases
 - PC, AC and HC BPPV treatments and treatment considerations
 - Atypical BPPV: Is it really BPPV?
 How to tell and what to do
- BPPV: Identification and treatment of complex cases (Continued)

1.5 Hours

 Central Vestibular Disorders: Differential diagnosis and treatment considerations

1.5 Hours

• Concussion and Vestibular Symptoms

Audience

Designed for PTs, PTAs, OTs, OTAs. Prior vestibular rehabilitation course work and experience treating patients with vestibular disorders are necessary before taking this course.

PART 2:

2 hours

Cervicogenic Dizziness: Differential diagnosis and treatment

1 Hour

- Cervicogenic Dizziness: Differential diagnosis and treatment (Continued)
 - Demonstration of techniques

1.5 Hours

- Management of other causes of dizziness
 - Migraine
 - Meniere's
 - Persistent Postural Perceptual Dizziness
 - SCD

1 Hour

 Clinical Problem Solving: Complex cases, diagnosis & treatment

30 Minutes

• Post Test Questions

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-Debra W., Class Participant



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