

Frequently Asked Questions:

1. Does this course cover a majority of the pediatric conditions I will treat as an OT in a pediatric medical based setting?

The course follows 2 case studies through the OT process. This allows the participant to learn about each step of the OT process; this experience can then be generalized to a variety of pediatric conditions. The course allows the participant to research a condition of interest to them following an outline and utilizing suggested resources. Throughout the course, different cases are interwoven into interactive exercises so the participant can apply learned materials to a variety of situations they may encounter in a pediatric setting. It would be impossible to cover all conditions, but the framework for researching a condition is given.

2. Does this course cover all the current treatments or advanced skills utilized in OT treatment in medical based pediatrics?

The course utilizes the OT Practice Framework to guide the participant through the OT process. Examples of intervention strategies and methods are applied to case studies. The course is not intended to provide knowledge or skills in advanced practice areas (e.g. pediatric kinesiotaping), but does mention possibilities that can be explored further.

3. How many contact hours do I earn in this course?

Answer: There are 16 contact hours, which is equal to 1.6 CEUs.

4. Is this course synchronous, do I have to take it at the same time every day?

Answer: This course is open for a full 3-week period. There are no synchronous course times (existing or occurring at the same time). Each student is allowed to work in the course at their own rate and pace. The course must, however, be completed at the end of the three-week session.

5. Are there assignments that need to be completed in the course?

The course was designed to be interactive so learning takes place in exercises as you move through the modules. However, there are three short assignments that allow the participant to do some independent study and problem solving. These include researching a condition of your choice, choosing assessment tools and approach for a variety of referrals, and planning intervention for one of the case studies.

6. I only want to take part of this course, can I do that?

Answer: No, in order to receive all 16 contact hours and pass this course at 80%, you must read and complete all learning materials. A certificate will not be issued until all learning tasks are completed.

7. I have an old computer, will I be able to take this course?

Answer: Most likely, yes. We have computer support from a Technical Specialist at all times during the course.

8. Do I need to study in advance for this course?

Answer: No, this course provides all information you will need.

9. Do I need to buy any books or other materials?

Answer: No, all materials needed to take this course are provided in an online format.

10. What do I do if I don't understand a concept?

Answer: There are forums to discuss questions with peers taking the course, forums to ask the instructor, and many links to reference data throughout the course.

11. What if I have an emergency and can't finish the course in time?

Answer: Please contact your instructor immediately for instructions on what to do if emergencies should occur.