



Easterseals DuPage & Fox Valley

Presents...

Infant Treatment: Improving Handling Skills For Function

Presented by

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CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION

Understanding key aspects of typical development that are relevant to the challenges we see in babies born prematurely, or with atypical or delayed development will enhance our approach to treatment of infants.

The purpose of this course is to enhance the problem solving skills of therapists working with infants who have atypical or delayed motor development, progressing from infancy through movement transitions in the older infant.

The course will include demonstration and practice of handling strategies while also considering importance of vision, regulation and engagement, as integral parts supporting motor function. How to guide parents to incorporate key elements into their baby's daily routines will also be discussed.

Although many of the strategies will be shown with infants under 1 year, the concepts can be adapted for infants and toddlers whose motor function is below their chronological age

We will have didactic, lab and video treatment examples. **Please bring rag dolls for handling practice and wear lab friendly clothing.**

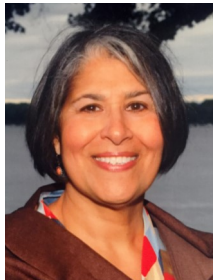
Dates & Location:

**Saturday, November 10th through
Sunday, November 11th, 2018**

at

**Easter Seals DuPage & Fox Valley
830 S. Addison Ave.
Villa Park, IL 60181**

About the Instructors:



Gay L. Girolami, PT, PhD, C/NDT holds the rank of Clinical Professor and serves as the Director of Professional Education in the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program (DPT), in the Department of Physical Therapy, at the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC). She is a certified NDT coordinator instructor. Gay serves on the Program and Research committees of Academy for Pediatric Physical Therapy and is a member of the American Physical Therapy Association Movement System Task Force.

Dr. Girolami's research interests include the study of posture, balance and motor control in infants and children with typical and atypical motor development, and the assessment and treatment of infants and children with neuromotor disorders. Gay is co-developer of the Test of Infant Motor Performance (TIMP), a measurement tool to assess functional motor behavior and postural and selective control of movement in infants between 34 weeks gestational age and 4 months adjusted age.

She holds a bachelor of science in Physical Therapy from Marquette University, a master of science in Pediatric Physical Therapy with a minor in curriculum design from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a doctoral degree in Movement Sciences from the Department of Kinesiology and Nutrition at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

This novice/intermediate course is appropriate for PTs/PTAs and OTs/COTAs working with infants who demonstrate atypical motor development and/or conditions that interfere with typical development and the acquisition of functional skills.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Following this course, participants will be able to:

- Identify key developmental changes in infants from birth to 10 months.
- Identify the key components of progressing postural control in infants to support motor development in all planes of movement.
- Describe treatment strategies that can be used to enhance motor function in infants.
- Explain the importance of vision, regulation and engagement to enhance motor function in infants.



Diane Fritts-Ryan, OTR/L, C/NDT OTR/L, C/NDT, graduated from the University of Illinois and has over 30 years of pediatric experience with babies, children, and young adults with neurological impairments. Ms. Ryan currently works at Easter Seals DuPage & Fox Valley. She is a State of Illinois Early Intervention evaluator and therapist and has assisted in the development/ongoing evaluation of at-risk babies in the DuPage County Neonatal Follow-up Clinic. Ms. Ryan has been an

OT NDT instructor for the 8-week pediatric course since 1990. She has assisted in several advanced baby and UE/hand treatment courses in the U.S. and internationally. She has also published articles relating to UE/hand function, as well as co-authored chapters on assessment and treatment of infants with neurological impairments.

Course Schedule: 14.0 Contact Hours

Day 1

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| 8:00-8:30 | Registration/Check-in |
| 8:30-10:30 | Key developmental changes in infants from birth to 5 months |
| 10:30-10:45 | Break |
| 10:45-12:00 | Key atypical movement patterns that impact development 0-5 months |
| 12:00-1:00 | Lunch |
| 1:00-2:30 | Treatment Strategies to address the key patterns impacting Infants in supine, prone transitions to early sitting |
| 2:30-2:45 | Break |
| 2:45-3:45 | (Continued) Treatment strategies for infants birth to 5 months |
| 3:45-5:00 | Parent Education and home program to address key motor challenges in infants functioning birth to 5 month level |

Day 2

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| 8:00-8:30 | Registration/Check-in |
| 8:30-10:30 | Key developmental changes in infants from 6-10 months |
| 10:30-10:45 | Break |
| 10:45-12:00 | Key atypical movement patterns that impact development 6-10 months |
| 12:00-1:00 | Lunch |
| 1:00-2:30 | Treatment Strategies to address the key atypical motor patterns impacting Infants in sitting and transitions up to standing |
| 2:30-2:45 | Break |
| 2:45-3:30 | (Continued) Treatment Strategies for Infants 6-10 months |
| 3:30-5:00 | Parent Education and home program to address key motor challenges in infants functioning at the 6 to 10 month level |

Continuing Education Credits

All participants will receive a course completion certificate upon successful completion of the conference. No certificates will be awarded until course completion is verified on the final date of the conference.

Early Intervention credits have been applied for.

Continuing education credits for **O.T. & P.T.** will be offered through the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation.

This Intermediate Level course is offered with AOTA Classification Codes: Categories 1 Domain of OT & 2 Occupational Therapy Processes.

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REGISTRATION FORM

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Registration Fee: \$445

**Early Registration Rate: \$425
(on or before 10/10/18)**

Name: _____
(This is how your name will be printed on the course completion certificate.)

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Registration fee includes the conference, continental breakfast, and afternoon refreshments.

Space is limited—early registration is encouraged. Registration deadline: October 27th, 2018

Cancellations must be in writing and will incur a \$50 processing fee. No refunds granted after October 27th, 2018. If Easterseals or Speaker should need to cancel, course fees will be refunded or transferred to another course at the discretion of the participant.

OTHER INFORMATION

MEALS— Continental breakfast & afternoon refreshments will be provided.

Lunch will be on your own or for a small fee you may purchase a deli style lunch.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS— A special rate at the Hyatt Place is available—mention that you are with Easter Seals DuPage. The hotel is at 2340 South Fountain Square Drive in Lombard and the phone number is 630.932.6501. If you are interested in shuttle service to and from the conference site, please indicate this at the time you make your reservation.

QUESTIONS/Special Accommodations Needed? Call us at: 630-282-2026 or by email at ce@eastersealsdfvr.org