Important Information

About the Presenter
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AOTA Classification Codes: Health & Wellness; Habits; Routines

Available Distance Learning
Course Description

This course provides you with the knowledge and tools to implement an occupational therapy intervention for the prevention and/or management of overweight/obesity, bariatric surgery, diabetes/pre-diabetes, hypertension, hypercholesterolemia and other related diagnoses. This course provides detailed intervention materials and case studies to use in conjunction with the Introduction to Lifestyle Redesign® methodology course.

Learning Objectives

Participants will:

- Design occupational therapy interventions for patients with overweight/obesity, bariatric surgery, diabetes/pre-diabetes, hypertension, hypercholesterolemia and other related diagnoses
- Define the role of occupation in a weight loss/behavior modification intervention
- Explain the following topics and integrate this knowledge into treatment: how macronutrients impact blood sugar management, how the timing, quality and quantity of food choices impact overweight/obesity, and how self-care behaviors influence the management of the chronic diseases listed above
- Utilize treatment activities and ideas given in the course for these populations
- Analyze relevant documentation, billing and reimbursement issues when treating obesity and related diagnoses
- Discuss best practice for interdisciplinary work with these patient populations

Program Content

- Occupation-centered interventions for weight loss and related conditions
- Interfacing with other health professions when treating patients with these diagnoses
- Evidence-based knowledge component necessary for successful intervention such as:
  - Daily rhythms and routines that promote healthy weight and prevent/mitigate associated chronic conditions
  - Engagement in meaningful activity as strategy to increase engagement in health behaviors and to prevent overeating
  - Stress, sleep and routine and their impact on weight management
  - The role of carbohydrates in blood sugar management and weight loss
  - The role of fats and how they impact cholesterol and risk for heart disease
  - Physical activity and how it impacts weight loss and diabetes
- Case studies of OT interventions for obesity, diabetes, hypertension, bariatric surgery, behavioral health co-morbidities, weight gain secondary to stress and anxiety
- Billing and reimbursement

Other courses in the Life Management Series:

- Lifestyle Redesign® for Chronic Pain and Headache Management
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