Continuing Education Course

**DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY: CURRENT UNDERSTANDING AND TREATMENT**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2017
ST. LOUIS, MO**

**WHY TAKE THIS COURSE?**

Duchenne is the most common, terminal childhood genetic illness and at the same time is likely the most misunderstood condition. Physical therapy continues to be one of the primary treatment options for those who have Duchenne. It is vital that we have a thorough understanding of the disease and deliver appropriate treatments based on the current evidence. Inadequate understanding of the disease can lead to muscle injury of patients who are already at risk for severe muscle degeneration. Further education is crucial to our patients’ lives. This course will explain the incidence, etiology, pathophysiology, progression and the stages of mobility of Duchenne. Therapy treatment, orthopedic management, activity modification and equipment selection will be covered. An update on current research and clinical trials will be provided to course participants.

**PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ABLE TO**

- Demonstrate an in depth understanding of Duchenne
- Identify the typical progression of the disease
- Select appropriate physical therapy treatment options
- Develop thorough care plans for clients and families
- Make appropriate, timely referrals to other healthcare providers
- Understand current research strategies and upcoming treatments

**WHO SHOULD TAKE THIS COURSE**

This course is ideal for physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech language pathologists, nursing professionals and others involved in the care of persons with Duchenne. A separate course for parents and caregivers will be offered in St. Louis at the same location on Sat., Sept. 9. (see website for details)

This course qualifies you to become a CureDuchenne Cares Certified Physical Therapist. This additional training and testing will further your expertise on Duchenne. Learn more at www.CureDuchenne.org/Care/Physical-Therapy/#physical-therapists

**ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR**

Jennifer Wallace, MPT from Chapman University, draws from 14 years of experience in pediatrics and with an emphasis in the muscular dystrophy population. She has been invited to present current treatment topics and advances at Duchenne conferences and has taught continuing education to healthcare professionals since 2009. She is the owner of Duchenne Therapy Network and provides evaluation, treatment and consultations for those with Duchenne and Becker muscular dystrophy.

**COURSE DETAILS**

**DATE & TIME**
Friday, September 8, 2017
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**LOCATION**
Sheraton Clayton Plaza Hotel St. Louis
7730 Bonhomme Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63105

**REGISTRATION**
Visit www.CureDuchenne.org/events/category/pl-workshop to register

**CANCELLATIONS**
Full refund only if 30 days prior to course

**CONTINUING EDUCATION**
Course meets established requirements for CEU toward maintaining licensure with the Missouri PT Association.

**FEE**
- Early registration $130 (8/25 or before)
- Regular registration $165 (8/26 or after)

**WEBSITE:**
www.CureDuchenne.org/Cares

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