Pain, Plasticity & Rehabilitation

Altered outputs of the damaged nervous system: the forgotten problem of pain in neurological rehabilitation

A two-day course presented by Brendon Haslam
Melbourne (Thomastown) VIC, Australia | 18-19 November 2017

This lecture, practical and interactive course devised by Brendon Haslam and David Butler, is about developing management strategies for the neurological patient with pain. It will help you to understand how the pain system works, the notion of pain as an output, and how this fits with neurological diagnoses/conditions. The relationship of pain to other homeostatic and response systems such as the immune and endocrine systems, cognitions and language will be introduced.

We know from research that neurological populations (such as Stroke, Spinal Cord Injury, Parkinson’s Disease and Multiple Sclerosis) experience higher incidences of chronic pain than that of the neurologically intact population. The addition of pain compounds the already disabling effects of the neurological condition, causing greater functional difficulties in task performance. Despite this, clinical guidelines remain consistently vague with regards to recommendations as to how to address this significant problem, and it is too often neglected in patient care.

This course will cover assessment and management strategies for this population, utilising strategies such as graded motor imagery, sensory retraining, and neuroscience education. You will learn how to utilise these strategies to influence pain and other outputs as appropriate, develop ideas of progression, and, importantly, learn how these fit within the rehabilitation model utilised in neurological rehabilitation, in both the acute and long-term setting.

Course aims
1. To introduce the concept of pain as one of many output systems that may be perturbed in neurological patients.
2. To expand the clinical framework of neurological rehabilitation to incorporate pain rehabilitation, via the paradigms of neuromatrix and pain mechanisms.
3. To reconceptualise pain in terms of modern neuroscience and philosophy.
4. To introduce an array of established and novel treatment strategies targeting the neurological patient with pain, based on clinical reasoning and evidence from clinical trials and neurobiology.
5. To introduce the role of education in effective pain treatment, based on current research.

Course Programme – Day 1
- Pain in the Neurological Population: incidence, classification and impact
- Biopsychosocialism and use of paradigms
- Nociceptive, Neuropathic and Neuroplastic Pain: What does it all mean?
- Pain and the damaged nervous system: central pain mechanisms
- Sensory profiling and retraining
- The output and homeostatic pain mechanisms

Course Programme – Day 2
- Environment enrichment and spatial perception
- Graded Motor Imagery: ‘Sliding under the radar’
- Peripheral sensitisation
- Therapeutic Neuroscience Education: ‘Taking the threat out of pain’

Prerequisites / Enhancing your course outcomes: while there are no formal pre-requisites for this course, PPR is applicable to health professionals ideally with clinical experience in treating neurological patients and a desire to manage associated pain states. Pre-reading recommended: Explain Pain Second Edn, Butler & Moseley, Noigroup Publications (2013), ISBN 978-0-9873426-6-9

Brendon has been working in combined neurological and pain rehabilitation since 1997, during this time completing his Masters in Neurological Physiotherapy (2000) at the University of Melbourne. Since 2002 Brendon has been teaching post graduates and has furthered his training in numerous treatment approaches including Bobath and Proprioceptive Neuromuscular Facilitation.

Brendon’s particular interest is in developing treatment approaches for the neurological patient with pain and he is currently undertaking his PhD exploring contributions to, and neural processing of pain in stroke.

COURSE CO-AUTHOR David Butler

As director of NOI, David has an international reputation for innovative clinical thinking, translation of basic science findings into real world applications, and being able to communicate both like no-one else. David is author and co-author of several books, and has developed and implemented pain science curricula for undergraduate and post-graduate programmes.

Date Sat 18 November – Sun 19 November
Venue NeuroRehab Allied Health Network
76 Mahoneys Road, Thomastown
Cost $750 (incl. GST) per registrant
Includes catering and workbook.
Early bird: $675 if registered by September 17
Host Steve Woolard, mail@nrah.com.au
Telephone (03) 9361 2234

To express interest or register please contact the course host directly, or lodge an enquiry via www.noigroup.com/courses

Course Requirements
Participants are required to bring a laptop, iPad or Android device preloaded with a Noigroup Recognise™ App of their choice (6 body part options) – available for iOS or Android, phone or tablet from noigroup.com. Recognise™ Apps contain advanced tools for the first two stages of Graded Motor Imagery, has many new clinician features and streamlines patient use and treatment.
course registration form one form per registrant [PPR-MEL]

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When: Saturday 18th 8:30am to 5pm (Registration 8:30 to 9am) | Sunday 19th 9am to 4:30pm
Venue: NeuroRehab Allied Health Network, 76 Mahones Road, Thomastown VIC 3074
Cost: $750 (GST inclusive). Cost includes catering and workbook
Early Bird: $675 incl GST if registered by 17 Sept 2017
Enquiries: Steve Woollard | mail@nrah.com.au | Telephone (03) 9361 2234

To register for this course, please complete the form and follow instructions for payment.

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• In the event of NOI having to cancel the course due to unforeseen circumstances notification will be sent as soon as possible via your contact details provided and registrants will receive a full refund of the course fee.

• Course places are secured once payment has been successfully processed.

• Please note the NOI office is open Tuesday to Friday.