MedFit Classroom

Parkinson's Disease Fitness Specialist

Course Lesson Overview



- Module 1: What is Parkinson's Disease?
 - Lesson 1: Introduction to the Module
 - o Lesson 2: What is Parkinson's Disease?
 - Lesson 3: James Parkinson and Scientific Advancement
 - o Lesson 4: Interview with Renee R., Vanderbilt Research Coordinator
 - Lesson 5: The Brain
 - Lesson 6: Diagnosis and the Beginning of Motor Symptoms
 - Lesson 7: Facial Masking
 - Lesson 8: Hypophonia, Freezing, Dyshagia, and Speech Pathology
 - Lesson 9: Dystonia and non-Motor Symptoms
 - Lesson 10: Genetics vs. Environment (i.e., Nature vs. Nurture)
 - Lesson 11: Young Onset Parkinson's Disease
 - o Lesson 12: Neurologist vs. Movement Disorder Physician, Diagnostic Testing, and Stages of PD
 - Lesson 13: Group Interview, Discussion of PD stages, and Recap
- Module 2: Therapies Today and in the Future
 - Lesson 14: Introduction to the Module
 - Lesson 15: Medication
 - Lesson 16: Surgical Therapies and the Duopa Pump
 - Lesson 17: Surgical Therapy and DBS
 - Lesson 18: Complementary Therapies and Developing Medical and Fitness Teams
 - Lesson 19: Fitness Therapies and Module Recap
- Module 3: Benefits of Exercise
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 - Lesson 21: Interview and More Research
 - Lesson 22: Interview and Overcoming Obstacles
 - Lesson 23: Virtual Training and Module Recap
- Module 4: Boxing and Parkinson's Disease
 - Lesson 24: Introduction to the Module and History of Boxing in Parkinson's
 - o Lesson 25: Equipment; How to Teach Body Positioning and the Jab
 - Lesson 26: The Cross
 - o Lesson 27: The Hook
 - Lesson 28: The Uppercut
 - o Lesson 29: Footwork
 - Lesson 30: Additional Boxing Moves
 - Lesson 31: Sample Group Class for PD Clients
- Module 5: Effective Exercise Program Design Part 1
 - Lesson 32: Introduction to the Module
 - Lesson 33: The "What" of Effective Program Design
 - Lesson: The "Why" of Writing Up Your Program
 - o Lesson 35: The "How" of Creating an Effective Program
 - o Lesson 36: Warm-Up Exercises
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- Module 6: Effective Exercise Program Design Part 2
 - o Lesson 39: Effective Program Design
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- Competency Assessment: Parkinson's Disease Fitness Specialist\