

Management of the Thumb

BAHT level II Wrightington Hospital, Wigan

DAY ONE 08.30 Registration (in Physiotherapy Department) 09.00 Intro 09.10 Pure and surface anatomy of the Thumb SM 10.00 Move rooms 10.15 Assessment of the thumb workshops (45mins) 1. dexterity/ function SM 2. goniometry and dynamometry EJ 3. Sensory assessment NG 11.00 Coffee 11.30 Assessment of the thumb workshops (45mins) x2 1. dexterity/ function SM 2. goniometry and dynamometry EJ 3. Sensory assessment NG 13.00 Lunch Functional anatomy/ normal and altered biomechanics and grip 13.45 SM 15.15 Tea 15.45 Modalities workshops (45 mins) 1. Exercises EJ 2. Grip retraining and joint protection SM 3. Oedema, scar and k-tape NG

DAY TWO

08.30	Review	
09.00	Modalities workshops (45 mins) 1. Exercises 2. Grip retraining and joint protection 3. Oedema, scar and k-tape	EJ SM NG
09.45	Tendon injuries Part I	NG
10.15	Tea/coffee	
10.35	Tendon injuries Part II	
11.05	Tendinopathies	EJ
12.05	Ligament injuries	EJ
12.35	Lunch	
13.20	Nerve injuries – theory, desensitisation, sensory re-education	SM
14.20	Nerve compressions	EJ
15.35	Tea/coffee	
16.00	Rheumatoid Arthritis of the thumb - pathophysiology, assessment, surgery and overview of therapy	NG
16.30	Osteoarthritis of the thumb - pathophysiology, assessment, surgery and overview of therapy	NG
17.15	Close	

DAY THREE

08.30	Review	
9.00	Fractures of the thumb	SM
10.00	Challenges of splinting the thumb theory and off the shelf splints reasoning	NG
10.45	Tea/coffee	
11.05	Splinting – clinical reasoning for thermoplastic splinting with pattern making and practical demonstration	All
12.20	Differential diagnosis	EJ
13.05	Lunch	
13.50	Case Studies	All
14.50	Tea / coffee	
15.20	Exam	
16.30	Close	