ABOUT TOM OCKLER, PT

Thomas K. Ockler P.T. received his P.T. degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo in 1978. In his 44 plus years of uninterrupted clinical practice, Tom has focused much of his attention on the correction of chronic pain and somatic dysfunctions using Non-Manipulative Manual Therapy Techniques. He has extensive teaching experience throughout the United States, Canada, United Kingdom and Australia. His background in bio-mechanics along with orthotic fabrication has been integrated with cutting-edge pain science and non-manipulative techniques to find cures for difficult musculo-skeletal disorders.

Tom uses a unique style that injects humor into complicated subjects and has developed teaching methods that explain very complicated subjects in easily understandable formats. Tom's training manuals, DVDs and You Tube Videos are all designed to be user-friendly educational resources for mastering these techniques.

In 1999, Tom founded Alternative HealthCare Solutions; a solo practice devoted to the identification and correction of the most stubborn and complicated somatic dysfunctions. His practice draws patients from all over the USA as well as Canada and Europe. He is the founder of **The American Academy of Non-Manipulative Manual Therapy**.

Preview course







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"Tom is able to put difficult, possibly confusing, materials in an easier to manage manner."

"Excellent course. You revitalized my career!"

"Excellent course -- I'm excited to get to apply what I have learned to some of my patients. Tom was immensely knowledgeable and very open and courteous when answering questions. Never was he intimidating. In addition to the 'PT' behind him name, I suggest he add G.E.N.I.U.S."

"Just wanted to say...thank you, thank you, thank you! Your MET course on the pelvis/low back has made such a difference in my practice as a therapist. It's amazing that something so simple can bring so much relief, often times in just one visit. I know many therapists, including myself, that have felt intimidated by treating backs. I can now say I am a much more confident therapist when it comes to treating these patients. I have even found it helpful in pt's with leg or knee pain. I really appreciate you spreading the knowledge!"



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Muscle Energy
Techniques for
Pelvis, Sacrum,
Lumbar Spine, and
Muscles of the Hip



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COURSE OBJECTIVES

- Understand the basic concepts of muscles as they relate to the somatic dysfunctions
- Understand the overwhelming advantages of MET vs Manipulation
- Be familiar with muscle spindle structure as well as its neuro-faciliatory functions
- Be able to palpate a "barrier" and understand the physiologic significance
- Identify gait / stance asymmetries as they relate to somatic dysfunction
- Palpate the basic landmarks of the Pelvis, Sacrum and Lumbar spine
- Evaluate the Pelvis, Sacrum, and Lumbar spine for asymmetry and hypomobility
- Decide on a proper sequence for treating a variety of somatic asymmetries
- Perform basic Muscle Energy Techniques for the Pelvis, Sacrum, and Lumbar spine
- Be able to dialog with patients about perpetuating factors and intercourse precautions
- Demonstrate basic stabilization exercises for Pelvic, Sacral and Lumbar dysfunctions

This two-day course involves a mix of theory, demonstration and hands-on practice. Actual evaluation and treatments will be performed by each participant using the methods learned. Plenty of time is allotted for hands on practice as well as questions and discussion.

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Cost \$500

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ABOUT THE COURSE

Muscle Energy Technique is one of the most effective and valuable manual techniques for the identification and correction of somatic asymmetry and hypomobility. These techniques can be used immediately to find and correct the causes of all types of pain. These are not cover up procedures, but rather techniques that cure the problem with dramatic results.

Unlike manipulative techniques, MET works via evidenced-based neuro-physiology using the muscle spindles to release tight muscles and decrease tone and excitability, thus restoring the bones and joints to normal mobility and returning them to symmetrical, smooth function.

Due to the hands-on nature of this course, class size is limited to assure a very high quality educational experience.

Loose, baggy sweat pants or athletic shorts required for lab.

This course is approved for 16.5 CEUs by the Ohio Physical Therapy Association, Maryland pending.

Individual states may vary due to their certification boards.

REGISTRATION STARTS AT 7:30 AM CLASS BEGINS AT 8:00 AM



COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM

7:30-8:00 am registration

Introductions

Schedule overview

Definition of MET

History of MET

Goals of MET

MET vs Manipulations

Anatomy review

Muscle Spindle Physiology

Integration of the Spindle in MET

Palpation Lab, Boney Landmarks

Barrier Perception

Clearing the Long Restrictors of the Hip

Practice Lab

Lunch Break (1/2 hour)

Review of AM Session

Normal Biomechanics / Abnormal Biomechanics

Affect on Gait

Planes of Pelvic Dysfunction

Pathologic Vs Non-pathologic Dysfunction

Paradoxes Vs Non paradoxes

Treatment Sequencing

Four test for Hypomobility

Evaluation for Asymmetry

Clinical Decision for Treatment Sequencing

Demo of All Pelvic Techniques

Practice All Pelvic Techniques

Lab for Evaluation and Treatment

Stabilization, perpetuating factors

Intercourse Precautions

Ligament Recoils

Closing and homework

Day 2: 8:00 AM-5:00PM

7:30-8:00 am registration

Review of previous session - Q & A

Anatomy of the sacrum

Lumbo-Sacral Biomechanics in normal and abnormal gait

Naming the sacral dysfunction

Osteopathic vs. non-Osteopathic terminology

Treatment demonstrations

Practice demonstrations

Evaluation and treatment sessions

Lunch Break (1/2 hour)

Review of Sacrum

Overview of the lumbar spine

Anatomy

Fryetts' laws of spinal motion

Spinal biomechanics

Evaluation of spinal motion restrictions

Screening for hypomobility

Type I dysfunctions / Type II dysfunctions

Treatment of types I and II dysfunctions

Complete system review / Closing remarks