A busy, one-day, “hands on” seminar on creatively saving money in rehab for Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapists

Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapy on a Shoe String Budget

G & E Therapies and Broome Community College present

Broome Community College Decker Health Science Center, Room 201 Saturday, May 15, 2010 • Time: 9am – 4:30pm
Registration at 8:30am • Lunch Provided .7 CEUs
About the Program

Many rehab facilities are cutting back funds and budgets and therapists are left with very minimal supplies to meet the needs of their patients. It becomes tedious and boring for both the therapist and patient to complete the same activities over and over. Many therapists need a recharge or a boost in creative treatment and ideas to help motivate patients to achieve patients to achieve their full rehab potential. However, these innovative ideas must fit into the ever-decreasing treatment tool budget.

This course teaches therapists how to look at common objects in a new and creative way in their work setting. A virtual tour is taken through hardware and home improvement stores to identify tools that are inexpensive and valuable when making modifications for patients. A “cookbook” of creative treatment plans is provided with items that cost less than $5, many of which are found in most homes or workplaces. Dozens of items will be available for “hands on” demonstration. Therapists will also get the opportunity to brainstorm with other therapists to solve their own treatment dilemmas and need for activity suggestions.

What You Will Learn

- Adaptations for fine motor, oral motor, positioning, sensory, strengthening exercises
- Treatment plans with inexpensive everyday objects
- What items are available in local stores to make modifications
- How to use common materials to increase motivation and participation with your patients
- Other therapists’ perspectives on true life treatment riddles

Who Should Attend

- Physical Therapists
- Physical Therapy Assistants
- Occupational Therapists
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- Speech Therapists
- Nurses
- Nursing Home Administrators
- Athletic Trainers

Where and When

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Course Director

Marti Smith, OTR/L, has been a practicing Occupational Therapist in school systems, with the 0- to 3-year-old population, and in geriatric rehabilitation for nearly a decade. Ms. Smith graduated from Indiana University in 1996. Her specialty is providing creative, quality care while working in low-income demographic areas. Out of necessity, she has developed many creative ways to look at common resources.