# **ICU and Acute Care**

From Early Mobilization to Discharge Decisions

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### **Faculty**

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### **About this Course**

This course will sharpen your skills in assessment and optimal intervention for early mobilization and mobility progression in the complex acutely ill patient. It will discuss the interpretation of vital signs beyond the basics as it relates to critical illness. Focus will be on critical decision making through case analysis to determine medical stability and exercise tolerance in complex patients. Evidence for advanced intervention will be discussed for patients who are suffering from common iatrogenic effects of hospitalization. Learn to provide best practices in acute care for complex patients through integration of lab values, tests, medical history, clinical exam, research evidence and clinical judgment.

### **Objectives**

- Integrate the medical and environmental of the ICU to promote an effective therapy session
- Apply current literature and trends to progress functional recovery for patients that suffer critical illness
- Apply exercise physiology principles to prescribe an effective exercise prescription
- Implement an integrative rehabilitation plan to address pulmonary dysfunction
- Analyze the complexity of critical illness via a case scenario to develop an evaluation and intervention approach to provide comprehensive care

### **Audience**

PTs and OTs working in an acute care setting with primarily adults. The focus will be on cardiovascular and pulmonary critical illness. It is recommended that participants have a basic knowledge of lines, tubes and ventilators. If not, it is recommended you review this online course: "Lines, Tubes, Ventilators and Diagnostic Screening for Stability vs Instability: Cardiopulmonary Examination and Monitoring." Available on the Education Resources, Inc. website.



### Schedule - Day 1

**8:00-9:30** Research updates: implications on the clinical

decision process

ABCDEF bundle: opportunities for inter-

disciplinary collaboration

**9:30–10:30** Medical review: critically thinking through a

case - yellow/red flags for early mobility

10:30-10:45 BREAK

**10:45-11:45** Advanced interpretation of vital signs

Early mobility and physiological readiness for activity, using subjective scales to aid

decision-making

**11:45-1:00** Updates in evidence regarding safety and effi-

cacy in early mobility

Implementing an early mobility program, managing environment and personnel to improve safety Institutional guidelines in

current practice

1:00-2:00 LUNCH

**2:00-3:00** Applied physiology

Physiological reserve: using exercise principles to get the most out of your patients, how to make recovery a true component of treatment, outcome measures, video case analysis

**3:00-3:30** Updates regarding dyspnea and fatigue

barrier: Red and yellow flags

**3:30-3:45** BREAK

**3:45-4:30** Case Analysis: clinical integration and decision-

making

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### Schedule - Day 2

**8:00-9:30** Application of the EKG:

Video case: recognizing critical parts of the EKG to aid in the clinical decisionmaking process, identifying changes and how to manage patients accordingly

9:30- 10:30 Using the ventilator to promote functional

progress and establish goals

The importance of professional conversations with data in hand, video case: how to interpret modes during ventilator

weaning and interventions

**10:30-10:45** BREAK

**10:45-1:00** Pulmonary LAB - assessment tools:

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**2:00-2:45** Advanced ICU Device Support: VADs and

ECMO including video case analysis

**2:45-3:00** BREAK

**3:00-4:00** Case Analysis: Clinical integration and deci-

sion-making including recommendations for

discharge status



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August 2-3	Columbia, TN	Maury Regional Medical Center
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October 19-20	Scottsdale, AZ	Honor Health Thompson Peak
November 16-17	Houston, TX	Houston Methodist Hospital
December 6-7	Newport News, VA	Riverside Regional Medical Center



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