

# Mobilization of the Nervous System

## Neuro Orthopaedic Institute

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NOI's classic lecture and practical course, now in its 20<sup>th</sup> edition, and updated every 6 months, continues to be extremely popular worldwide.

We use modern pain sciences to provide a clinically relevant understanding of the physical health issues of the entire nervous system. This means consideration of the molecular and homuncular targets of our therapy. We integrate this knowledge using a clinical reasoning framework and advanced manual assessment and management options. Skilled reasoning is evidence based medicine at its best.

Neurodynamics is a new science. This course offers a fresh understanding and management strategies for common syndromes such as plantar fasciitis, tennis elbow, nerve root disorders, carpal tunnel syndromes and spinal pain. Innovative management tools involve conservative decompression of nerves, various neural mobilising techniques and the new patient education techniques which emerge from neurodynamics and pain sciences.

Course notes have been written by **David Butler** with input from many members of the international faculty and in response to feedback from course participants.

*This course is approved for CEUs by most state PT Associations.*

### **COURSE AIMS & COURSE PROGRAM**

- To gain new and updated knowledge of neurodynamics and pathobiology of the nervous system related to manual examination
- To gain safe and effective handling skills in the examination and interpretation of physical dysfunction of the nervous system
- To utilise these skills in novel, active, passive and education based management
- To integrate manual handling skills with pain sciences and clinical reasoning practices
- To professionally refresh course participants.

<b><u>Day 1</u></b>	<b><u>Day 2</u></b>
7:45 – 8:00      Registration	8:00 – 8:45      Peripheral Neuropathic Pain Mechanisms
8:00 – 8:15      Introduction	8:45 – 10:15    Lab: ULNT 2a: Median Nerve Lab: ULNT 2b: Radial Nerve
8:15 – 9:15      Clinical Reasoning & Pain Science	10:15 – 10:30    Break
9:15 – 9:30      Examining the Nervous System	10:30 – 11:30    Central Pain Mechanisms
9:30 – 10:00    Lab: Nerve Palpation of the LE	11:30 – 11:45    Precautions and Contraindications
10:00 – 10:15    Break	11:45 – 12:15    Analysis of Neurodynamic Tests
10:15 – 10:45    Lab: Nerve Palpation of the UE	12:15 – 1:00      Lunch
10:45 – 12:00    Neuroanatomy & Neurodynamics	1:00 – 1:30      Prone Knee Bend: Femoral Nerve
12:00 – 1:00      Lunch	1:30 – 2:00      Lab: ULNT 3: Ulnar Nerve
1:00 – 1:15      Introduction to Neurodynamic tests	2:00 – 2:30      Output Mechanisms
1:15 – 2:00      Straight Leg Raise and variations	2:30 – 3:00      Thoracic Spine and the Sympathetic Nervous System
2:00 – 2:45      Slump	3:00 – 3:15      Break
2:45 – 3:00      Break	3:15 – 4:30      Management Principles
3:00 – 3:30      Pain	4:30 – 5:00      Conclusion, questions and Summary
3:30 – 4:15      Nociceptive Pain Mechanisms	
4:15 – 5:00      Upper Limb Neurodynamic Test 1: Median Nerve	

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