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**Course Title:** Acute Care 102

**Course Subtitle:** Musculoskeletal System

**Source:** Acute Care Handbook for Physical Therapists 4<sup>th</sup> by Paz and West

**Source Description:** Familiarize yourself with the acute care environment with this essential guide to physical therapy practice in an acute care setting. Acute Care Handbook for Physical Therapists, 4th Edition helps you understand and interpret hospital protocol, safety, medical-surgical ‘lingo’, and the many aspects of patient care from the emergency department to the intensive care unit to the general ward. This restructured new edition streamlines the text into four parts— Introduction, Systems, Diagnoses, and Interventions to make the book even easier to use as a quick reference. Intervention algorithms, updated illustrations, and language consistent with the ICF model all help you digest new information and become familiar with new terminology. This comprehensive resource is just what you need to better manage the specific needs of your patients in the complex acute care environment. See an outline of course content for additional information.

**Target Audience:** OT/OTA and other healthcare professionals

**Course Length:** 3 hours

**Course Author/Instructor:** Paz, MS, PT, West, MS, PT and Brown, MS, OTR/L, CHT

**Educational Level:** Introductory, Intermediate, Advanced

**Course Objectives:**

At the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- Provide a brief overview of the structure and function of the musculoskeletal system
- Describe the physical therapist’s examination and management of the patient with musculoskeletal impairments in the acute care setting
- Give an overview of fracture management and common orthopedic surgeries seen in the acute care setting
- Describe the equipment commonly used by patients with musculoskeletal impairments in the acute care setting

### **Hour #1**

Structure and Function of the  
Musculoskeletal System  
Examination  
Patient History  
Medical  
Record Review  
Patient Interview  
Tests and Measures  
Evaluation and Prognosis  
Interventions  
Decrease Pain and/or Muscle  
Guarding  
Prevent Circulatory and  
Pulmonary Complications

### **Hour #2**

Prevent Range of Motion and  
Strength Deficits  
Improve Functional Mobility  
While Protecting the Involved Structures  
Health Conditions  
Traumatic Fracture  
Joint Arthroplasty  
Musculoskeletal Tumor Resection  
Spinal Pathology

### **Hour #3**

Soft-Tissue Surgeries  
Equipment Used in the  
Management of  
Musculoskeletal Pathologies  
Casts  
External  
Fixators  
Braces and Splints  
Traction

### **Instructional Methods and Formats:**

Online course available 24/7 at [www.OnlineCE.com](http://www.OnlineCE.com) includes PDF downloadable course.  
See course formats for additional details.

### **Course Completion Requirements:**

A minimum passing score of 100% is required for course completion. You will have as many attempts as needed until your passing score of 100% is achieved. Upon successful

completion of course, you will receive your certificate of completion and AOTA eligible CEUs.

**AOTA Classification Codes:** Category

Category 1: Domain of OT

Category 2: Occupational Therapy Process

Category 3: Professional Issues

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