

Command Spanish® Program Data Sheet
for
Spanish for Physical Therapists

Materials Description and Content: *Spanish for Physical Therapists* (SPT) is published by Command Spanish®, Inc. and consists of a 35-page spiral-bound manual with an accompanying CD. In addition to a special section devoted to pronunciation, SPT contains the following work-specific language sections: Greetings and Goodbyes; Etiquette and Social Niceties; Introductions and Self-Identifications; Communication Strategies; Numbers; Diagnostic Questions; Patient Care Questions; Body Positioning Commands; Commands for Therapeutic Activities and Exercises; Motivating and Praising the Patient; Giving Directions for Standing Up, Sitting Down, Walking, and Stair Climbing; and Therapist Recommendations. The appendices include glossaries and diagrams for parts of the body, diseases, injuries, operations and procedures.

Program Description: This is a comprehensive Spanish language programs that provides immediate access to functional language skills for non-Spanish-speaking physical therapists who have a need to diagnose and treat Spanish-speaking patients in need of physical therapy. The language component utilizes phonetic encoding to address the most important commands, questions, and phrases pertinent to daily interactions in a physical therapy environment. **No prior knowledge of Spanish necessary.**

Goal: To provide non-Spanish-speaking physical therapists with specific Spanish language skills so that they will be better able to assist their Spanish-speaking patients.

Objectives: Upon completion, participants will be able to use Spanish to identify patients; introduce oneself; obtain diagnostic information; ask pertinent care questions; issue body positioning commands; issue commands for therapeutic exercises; motivate the patient; give directions for standing up, sitting down, walking, and stair climbing; and giving recommendations to patients.

Methods of Instruction: Modeling, intensive drill, choral response, alpha-beta line, learning pairs and triads, Total Physical Response, role-playing, simulations, and situation cards.

Cross-Cultural Component: None.

Intended Audience: This is intended for non-Spanish-speaking physical therapists who may come into contact with Spanish-speaking patients.

Length of Instruction: 8-16 hours.

Special Considerations: None.

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