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Harmonic technique is a classical osteopathic technique which has been 'rediscovered', researched and further developed for use in modern practice by Eyal Lederman. It is a gentle and safe form of manual therapy, with a minimal risk of adverse reaction, that can be used clinically to treat a wide range of conditions. This practical text describes the fundamentals of this important technique and explains how it may be used in practice. The biomechanical and physiological bases of the technique are also presented. It is illustrated with over 50 photographs, providing a step-by-step guide. The accompanying video gives a detailed demonstration of the applications of harmonic technique together with spoken instructions on how to perform them. The book and the video together provide a thorough introduction to this important technique. Features: * A unique text and video with little else on the market * Written by an acknowledged expert on the subject * Backed by several years of research

Explores the symptoms, diagnosis, and treatment of headaches focusing on how to help prevent headaches, from modifications to diet and stress level to such mind-body techniques as deep relaxation, visualization, and biofeedback.

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Provide the best care for your patients by improving your technical and decision-making skills with this all-inclusive text. From basic sciences to detailed information on specific technologies and surgeries, this comprehensive resource has the content you need to expand your expertise in the treatment of musculoskeletal dysfunction. This 4th edition includes updated, revised, and new chapters to ensure you have the most helpful and clinically relevant information available. Coverage of surgical options and postsurgical rehabilitation for your patients with musculoskeletal disorders facilitates communication between therapists and physicians and improves the patient's post-surgical rehabilitation. Updated content on orthopaedic surgical and rehabilitation procedures, including hyaline cartilage replacements, iliotibial band releases, ACL deficit knee, and much more puts the latest advances in the field at your fingertips. Case studies and clinical tips strengthen your problem-solving skills and maximize the safety, quality, and efficiency of care. Expert editors and contributors share their knowledge from years of practice and research in the field. Six new chapters, covering topics such as strength training, screening for referral, neuromuscular rehabilitation, reflect the latest physical therapy practice guidelines. Updated clinical photographs clearly demonstrate examination and treatment techniques. A user-friendly design highlights clinical tips and other key features important in the clinical setting. Terminology and classifications from the Guide to Physical Therapist Practice, 2nd Edition are incorporated throughout the text making descriptions easier to understand. An emphasis on treatment of the individual rather than the dysfunction reflects current practice in physical therapy. Video clips on the accompanying Evolve site demonstrate evaluation, exercise, and treatment techniques covered in the text.

"Osteopathy and other systems of manual medicine have

developed a variety of models for understanding the mechanics of proper and improper motion of the musculoskeletal system. In this important and pioneering work, that same structural vision is applied to the visceral system. The central premise of 'Visceral Manipulation' is that the interrelationship of structure and function among the internal organs is at least as strong as that among the constituents of the musculoskeletal system; and that, like the musculoskeletal system, manipulation of the viscera can be beneficially used in the treatment of a wide variety of problems affecting any of the body's systems."--Publisher description.

This new work by a renowned massage author takes a close look at palpation of muscle and bone, and includes content related topics including trigger points with their pain referral patterns, stretching, and body mechanics. The DVD features video demonstrations of palpation of all muscles. Illustrations. Fascial dysfunction is now recognized as one of the main underlying causes of musculoskeletal pain leading to impaired and reduced mobility. These are the symptoms which confront all practitioners of manual therapy in their everyday practice. Fascial Dysfunction - Manual Therapy Approaches aims to assess more precisely the dysfunction of their clients and its cause and to increase practitioner awareness of the various techniques which may help them in their attempts to alleviate their clients' problems. --

A comprehensive resource for health professions students and practitioners, including physical and occupational therapists, chiropractors, and behavioral medicine students, Cram's Introduction to Surface Electromyography clearly explains how to use SEMG to treat a variety of neuromuscular conditions. It covers the development of SEMG, instrumentation, assessment, and treatment, and features a detailed atlas for electrode placement. This

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updated edition includes expanded "quick reference" items created by Glenn Kasman, as well as a new chapter on Assessment and Treatment of Neuromuscular Disorders. The chapter on Dynamic Assessment and Treatment of Musculoskeletal Problems has also been updated and revised. With a quick reference section and an atlas including line drawings and color photographs, this text is a valuable resource for health professions students and practitioners. Development and integration of antigravity muscular control in 4 postural positions: prone, Supine, Siting, and Standing "This fully updated practical resource opens up one of the most enduring, yet continually evolving, areas of health care - manual medicine. With this informative, highly illustrated text, you'll learn the basic principles, specific techniques, and adjunct procedures of the discipline - including the use of exercise for prevention and treatment of common lower quarter neuromuscular syndromes."--BOOK JACKET. Endorsed by the Mulligan Concept Teachers Association (MCTA) The MCTA is the accredited body of Mulligan Concept teachers. A comprehensive and easy-to-follow resource for the manual therapist seeking to improve patients' movement using pain-free hands-on techniques. The Mulligan Concept of manual therapy was developed by Brian Mulligan in 1983 and is now used by health practitioners globally to assist individuals in improving movement restrictions, pain with movement and functional restrictions. Designed as a companion to Mulligan Concept training courses, the text is divided by body regions, with techniques highlighting key information to assist with clinical reasoning and assessment, patient and practitioner positioning, guidelines for application and further adjustments. Covers 250 Mulligan techniques including 13 new techniques Addresses Mobilisation With Movement and pain release phenomenon Presents techniques in two

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formats: easy-to-follow bulleted list with annotated photographs and detailed step-by-step instructions New and improved photographs better illustrate technique execution Dictionary of annotations for techniques described Home exercises and taping techniques also included An eBook included in all print purchases All techniques comprehensively revised to align with current evidence-based practice 13 New Mulligan techniques An eBook included in all print purchases

Spinal Manual Therapy: An Introduction to Soft Tissue Mobilization, Spinal Manipulation, Therapeutic and Home Exercises, Second Edition is an easy-to-follow manual of clinical techniques for the spine, pelvis, and temporomandibular joint. The text provides “tools” rather than “recipes” and immerses the reader in the process of “thinking as a manual therapist,” rather than functioning as a technician. The clinical utility of this revised second edition combines the art and science of present day spinal manual therapy. The focus of Spinal Manual Therapy, Second Edition is to provide clinically useful treatment techniques, while being mindful of the scientific literature related to the practice of spinal manual therapy. It is an ideal resource for all those interested in grasping the basics of spinal manual therapy and transferring that knowledge into practice within a clinical environment. The hands-on approach taken by Dr. Howard W. Makofsky makes this new edition the go-to textbook for spinal manual therapy. New to the Second Edition: • New pictures of examination and treatment techniques with captions • Additional case studies • New evidence supporting spinal manual therapy • Updated references throughout the text This unique textbook has a plethora of clinical techniques, including the rationale for each of their use. With over 300 figures, illustrations, and photographs for each examination/treatment technique for various regions of the

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body, students and clinicians learning manual therapy will benefit greatly from Spinal Manual Therapy, Second Edition.

Inside you'll find: • Evaluation • Soft tissue techniques • Manipulative procedures • Specific exercises • Clinical problem solving Spinal Manual Therapy, Second Edition mirrors a course on the introduction to spinal manual therapy and will be welcomed into physical therapy curriculums, as well as appreciated by clinicians when entering clinical practice.

This book include 47 treatment protocols developed using number of therapy methods including Strain Counterstrain, Integrative Manual Therapy, Barral, Muscle Energy Techniques and CranioSacral therapy. These protocols were developed over the past 20 years to produce a consistent clinical response during the provision of Physical Therapy. This text is intended to be used as a study guide for Doctoral Physical Therapy students.

This book is the first of its kind: a text for systematic treatment of tissues and structures innervated by the automatic nervous system. Muscle spasms induced by stress, visceral and circulatory problems and central nervous system dysfunctions can be alleviated. Arterial and venous blood flow will increase. Lymphatic drainage will improve. Muscles of organs and eyes and speech and swallowing will function more efficiently. Tendon Release Therapy for treatment of tendon lesions and scars is presented. Disc Therapy for effective elimination of discogenic problems is covered. Over one hundred techniques are presented in this book.

The book is divided into 11 sections, covering evidence-informed techniques in massage, trigger points, neural muscle energy, manipulations, dry needling, myofascial release, therapeutic exercise and psychological approaches. In the general introduction, several authors review the epidemiology of upper and lower extremity pain syndromes

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and the process of taking a comprehensive history in patients affected by pain. In chapter 5, the basic principles of the physical examination are covered, while chapter 6 places the field of manual therapy within the context of contemporary pain neurosciences and therapeutic neuroscience education. For the remaining sections, the book alternates the upper and lower quadrants. Sections 2 and 3 provide updates on mechanical neck pain, whiplash, thoracic outlet syndrome, myelopathy, radiculopathy, peri-partum pelvic pain, joint mobilizations and manipulations and therapeutic exercises, among others. Sections 4 to 9 review aspects of the shoulder, hip, elbow, knee, the wrist and hand, and finally the ankle and foot. The last two sections of the book are devoted to muscle referred pain and neurodynamics.

"Provides detailed descriptions of hands-on techniques, with pictures and photographs, for decreasing pain and tension in the myofascial tissues"--Provided by publisher.

Using a single treatment model that can be applied to every patient, this unique book is a valuable guide for assessing, identifying, and treating patients with acute and chronic pain in physical therapy practice. It teaches clinicians how to quickly recognize pain patterns and deal with pain using practical pain management techniques (psychosocial interventions, self-help methods) in combination with familiar musculoskeletal approaches (massage, exercise therapy, TENS). Underlying concepts of neurophysiology endocrine physiology, and psychology are explained to convey a greater understanding of pain science and its links to everyday practice. 'PAIN IN PRACTICE' is a very readable user friendly book. it approaches the subject of pain from different perspectives with the overriding theme being relevance to clinical reasoning and thus treatment of patients...The book is well designed with the use of green shaded boxes to summarize or highlight important points. there is good use of

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patient scenarios to facilitate the linking of theory to practice and the many diagrams and flow charts support the text well.' The British Pain Society Newsletter, Spring 2006. Material is organized according to the hierarchy in the sensory nervous system, from familiar to the increasingly complex causes of pain. A single, overarching clinical reasoning model is presented that integrates psychological, neural, and mechanical knowledge, enabling therapists to assess and treat all patients using the same model. The book's rational approach to analyzing pain syndromes discards overly simplistic notions of pain as a mechanical phenomenon. A comprehensive review of outcome measures is provided, which serves as a convenient reference guide for evaluation and clinical practice. Text boxes highlight patient examples, exercises, and interesting background information. Relevant neurophysiology is discussed in a way that translates the information into practical application. Integrative approach to pain management empowers therapists to use familiar musculoskeletal methods in addition to psychosocial methods, enabling them to choose the most appropriate techniques from both areas.

NeuroKinetic Therapy is based on the premise that when an injury has occurred, certain muscles shut down or become inhibited, forcing other muscles to become overworked. This compensation pattern can create pain or tightness. By applying light pressure that the client then resists, the practitioner can evaluate the strength or weakness of each muscle, revealing the sources of injury and retraining the client's body to remove the compensation patterns—reprogramming the body at the neural level. This easy-to-follow practitioner's manual presents a series of muscle tests specially designed to uncover and resolve compensation patterns in the body.

Author David Weinstock begins by explaining how this approach stimulates the body and mind to resolve pain.

Organized anatomically, each section of the book includes clear photographs demonstrating correct positioning of the muscle accompanied by concise explanations and instructions. Labeled anatomical illustrations appear at the end of each section showing the relationships between the muscles and muscle groups. This essential resource is especially useful for physical therapists, chiropractors, orthopedists, and massage therapists looking for new ways to treat underlying causes of pain.

Physical therapy involves non-pharmacological interventions in the management of various clinical conditions. It is important to highlight the physical therapy procedures that are suitable, effective and, in general, do not have side effects or complications when properly performed. Physical therapy can be valuable in different situations along of the various steps of human development and in various clinical disorders. Indeed, topics on different approaches have been included in this book, which makes this book useful for readers to improve their professional performance.

Updated with the latest in contemporary science and peer-reviewed data, Therapeutic Exercise for Musculoskeletal Injuries, Fourth Edition, prepares students for real-world applications while serving as a referential cornerstone for experienced rehabilitation clinicians.

This book includes a description of treatment for the peripheral joints to improve joint mobility, articular

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balance and vertical dimensions of the intra-articular space. Newly developed Muscle Energy and 'Beyond' Technique is outlined with illustrations and photographs. Treatment of protective muscle spasm and spasticity with Strain and Counterstrain Technique is covered with explanations for application and integration. Soft Tissue and Articular Myofascial Release are presented. Tendon Release Therapy and Ligament Fiber Therapy are new and exciting approaches for physical medicine and rehabilitation. Pressure Sensor Therapy to normalize foot/ground forces transcribed up the leg during standing and ambulation is presented. This book provides a comprehensive rehabilitation program for upper and lower extremity pain and disability.

This exciting new publication is the first authoritative resource on the market with an exclusive focus on Trigger Point ((TrP) dry needling. It provides a detailed and up-to-date scientific perspective against which TrP dry needling can be best understood. The first section of the book covers important topics such as the current understanding and neurophysiology of the TrP phenomena, safety and hygiene, the effect of needling on fascia and connective tissue, and an account on professional issues surrounding TrP dry needling. The second section includes a detailed and well-illustrated review of deep dry needling techniques of the most common muscles throughout the body. The third section of the book describes several other needling approaches, such as superficial dry needling, dry needling from a Western Acupuncture perspective, intramuscular stimulation, and Fu's subcutaneous

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needling. Trigger Point Dry Needling brings together authors who are internationally recognized specialists in the field of myofascial pain and dry needling. First book of its kind to include different needling approaches (in the context of evidence) for the management of neuromuscular pain conditions Highlights both current scientific evidence and clinicians' expertise and experience Multi-contributed by a team of top international experts Over 200 illustrations supporting the detailed description of needling techniques Written by widely respected acupuncture expert Yun-tao Ma, PhD, LAc, Biomedical Acupuncture for Sports and Trauma Rehabilitation shows techniques that will enhance athletic performance, accelerate recovery after intensive workouts, and speed trauma rehabilitation after injuries or surgeries. Evidence-based research is used to support the best and most effective techniques, with over 100 illustrations showing anatomy, injury, and clinical procedures. Unlike many other acupuncture books, this book uses a Western approach to make it easier to understand rationales, master techniques, and integrate biomedical acupuncture into your practice. "Finally, a well-referenced, common sense approach to dry needling in sports medicine that discusses maintenance, overtraining, and the effect of the stress response in athletes. This is a long-awaited book that will leave you feeling comfortable with a technique that is very useful not only for athletes, but for all patients of your practice." Rey Ximenes, MD The Pain and Stress Management Center Austin, Texas "For any clinician involved with assisting athletes recover from injury, as well as

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providing services to enhance physical performance, this text will be indispensable. This book is a major accomplishment in the field of sports injury and treatment of musculoskeletal and neurological pain." Mark A.

Kestner, DC, FIAMA, CCSP, CSCS Kestner Chiropractic & Acupuncture Center Murfreesboro, Tennessee Unique! Explores acupuncture treatments for sports injuries in the acute phase, rehabilitation, and prevention. Includes acupuncture for performance enhancement and injury prevention, emphasizing pre-event acupuncture used to help increase muscle output, assist with pre-competition stress, and prevent soft tissue injury. Provides evidence-based research to show the science behind the best and most effective techniques, based on the author's background in neuroscience and cell biology and his 35 years of clinical acupuncture experience. Offers an overview of the science of biomedical acupuncture including the mechanisms of acupuncture, anatomy and physiology of acupoints, and discussion of human healing potential. Uses terminology and concepts familiar to Western-trained health professionals, making the material easier to understand and incorporate into practice. Includes more than 100 illustrations showing anatomy, injury, and clinical procedures. Covers useful techniques including those that increase muscle force output, joint flexibility and stability; prevent sports injuries like muscle sprain, tendonitis, bone strain, stress/fatigue fracture and bone spurs; reinforce muscle output for specific sports; normalize physiology of dysfunctional soft tissues; predict treatment response; reduce physiological stress; use the new Vacuum Therapy for

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deep tissue dysfunctions; and balance the biomechanics of musculoskeletal system.

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Take an eclectic, evidence-based approach to orthopaedic manual therapy. From theory through practical application of soft tissue and joint mobilization techniques—this comprehensive resource delivers the depth and breadth of coverage you need to optimize patient outcomes through informed clinical decision-making as part of a comprehensive intervention regimen. Fully updated throughout, this popular book explains the history, rationale, and detailed descriptions of the class of soft tissue manipulation methods known collectively as NMT techniques. Complete with accompanying website - www.chaitowonline.com - which contains film sequences of the author demonstrating the techniques, this book will be ideal for bodyworkers and acupuncturists in Europe, the USA and beyond. Facilitates the rapid and accurate identification of local soft-tissue dysfunction Explains the origin of soft tissue distress Provides diverse maps and explanations for the patterns of tender and trigger points seen daily in clinical practice Includes guidance on the use of NMT for the treatment of the symptoms of fibromyalgia and abdominal dysfunction Gives important guidance on the treatment of trigger points in treating lymphatic dysfunction Discusses the use of NMT in the management of pain and hyperventilation Explains the diagnostic and therapeutic value of tender reflex points related to visceros-somatic and somatic-visceral reflexes Describes both European and North American versions of NMT Provides a clear set of treatment options for all bodywork therapists and acupuncture practitioners

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Authored by a highly respected, internationally known teacher, practitioner and author, with contributions from three leading practitioners from the U.S. and Europe
Contains a new chapter on the value of Thai Yoga massage, associated with NMT methodology
Contains source material and commentary on the contribution of Raymond Nimmo DC in the evolution of NMT Website - www.chaitowonline.com - containing updated video clips demonstrating the application of NMT

This textbook provides a comprehensive, state-of-the-art review of the Overactive Pelvic Floor (OPF) that provides clinical tools for medical and mental health practitioners alike. Written by experts in the field, this text offers tools for recognition, assessment, treatment and interdisciplinary referral for patients with OPF and OPF related conditions. The text reviews the definition, etiology and pathophysiology of non-relaxing pelvic floor muscle tone as well as discusses sexual function and past sexual experience in relation to the pelvic floor. Specific pelvic floor dysfunctions associated with pelvic floor overactivity in both men and women are reviewed in detail. Individual chapters are devoted to female genital pain and vulvodynia, female bladder pain and interstitial cystitis, male chronic pelvic and genital pain, sexual dysfunction related to pelvic pain in both men and women, musculoskeletal aspects of pelvic floor overactivity, LUTS and voiding dysfunction, and anorectal disorders. Assessment of

the pelvic floor is addressed in distinct chapters describing subjective and objective assessment tools. State of the art testing measures including electromyographic and video-urodynamic analysis, ultrasound and magnetic resonance imaging are introduced. The final chapters are devoted to medical, psychosocial, and physical therapy treatment interventions with an emphasis on interdisciplinary management The Overactive Pelvic Floor serves physicians in the fields of urology, urogynecology and gastroenterology as well as psychotherapists, sex therapists and physical therapists.

Movement within the pelvis is now being recognized and studied in relation to its role in maintaining stability in the vertebral column and subsequent implications for the prevention and treatment of low back pain. In this new edition, the contributors represent the breadth of professionals involved in manual therapy, from osteopathy, chiropractic and manual physical therapy, to orthopaedic medicine and surgery, anaesthesia and pain control.

NATUROPATHIC PHYSICAL MEDICINE provides a philosophical naturopathic perspective, as well as practical clinical applications, for manual and physical approaches to health care. A wide range of bodywork and movement approaches and modalities are evaluated in relation to their ability to be appropriately used in naturopathic treatment and

rehabilitation settings. The model of care emphasised in this text recognizes that naturopathically oriented therapeutic interventions usually focus on achieving one or all of the following: enhancement of function so that the person, system or part, can better self-regulate in response to adaptive demands; modification or removal of adaptive load factors; and symptomatic relief without creation of significant additional adaptive changes.

A leading orthopedic surgeon and a top sports chiropractor team up to offer a groundbreaking new approach to remaining injury-free and recovering from injury faster. Muscle injuries are not just for sports superstars anymore. Back, shoulder, hip, and knee problems bedevil more and more people than ever before. Muscle Medicine provides a way to prevent such injuries from happening and to treat them when they do without drugs or surgery. The product of a collaborative effort between two widely recognized authorities on sports injuries, Muscle Medicine relies on cutting-edge medical and therapeutic expertise to deliver what many doctors cannot: explanations of how to maintain good muscle health, how to treat common muscle injuries, such as "Tennis Elbow" and "Cell Phone Neck," and how to determine when joint surgery is and is not necessary for some common orthopedic problems. By focusing on the health of our muscles, we can prevent many sports injuries from occurring

and recover faster from the ones that do, say the coauthors, whose A-list clients have included John McEnroe and Elisabeth Hasselbeck. Featuring more than 100 illustrations that show the basics of muscle mechanics, along with various stretching, strengthening, and self-treatment exercises, *Muscle Medicine* will help readers enjoy pain-free, active lives no matter what their age or activity level. Fully updated and revised *Orthopedic Massage* has been written for those interested in understanding and applying massage as an intervention for soft-tissue disorders. Recent research into the physiological effects of massage has strengthened the justification for its use in the treatment of soft-tissue pain and injury conditions. Orthopedic soft-tissue problems are common among the general population, whether from sports, occupational activities, or chronic pain. This text presents a comprehensive and in-depth look at the physiological nature of these conditions and the massage treatments most effective for their relief. A particular contribution this text makes is its validation for the role of massage in treating orthopedic conditions. In addition, it aims to help the clinician understand the relationship between the soft tissues to which they apply their techniques and the overall orthopedic disorder affecting their clients. Although written chiefly for massage practitioners, the lessons it teaches are relevant to any practitioner who is

concerned with the treatment of soft-tissue injuries. Includes detailed technical information, extensive illustrations, and reliable reference material essential to everyday practice. Provides a comprehensive approach to treatment of common soft tissue pain and injury. Explains common orthopedic problems in detail, addressing biomechanics, kinesiology, and anatomy. Provides an in-depth discussion of the physiologic rationale for soft tissue treatments and explains those most effective for each condition. Integrates treatment approaches from across the field and gives detailed, easy-to-follow steps for their application. Compares traditional treatments with soft tissue manipulation for each problem discussed. Clearly links anatomy, physiology, and biomechanics with clinical practice. Designed for quick and easy reference with more than 200 high-quality full colour illustrations and numerous photos of treatment techniques. New clinical case studies and tips illustrate the techniques discussed. Now presented in full colour. New step-by-step photographs depict the techniques described in full detail. Increased artwork and photographs make learning more visual. Case studies demonstrate techniques and management in clinical practice Clinical hints and tips throughout. Greater guidance in treatment strategies to include 'Treatment Approaches' and 'Rehabilitation Protocol Considerations'.

Integrative Manual Therapy uses soft tissue work

and joint mobilization. People suffering from pain and disability have significantly regained health through this innovative therapy. This comprehensive manual addresses all phases of assessment and intervention for biomechanical dysfunction. It features inventories of signs and symptoms; procedures; 300 photos and 100 illustrations; and tried methods for integration.

A paradigm-shifting, integrative approach to understanding body movement. The ability to move with efficiency and agility has been an essential component to our evolution and survival as a species. It has enabled us to find food, fight threats, flee danger, and flourish both individually and collectively. Our body's intricate network of bones, muscles, tissues, and organs moves with great complexity. While traditional anatomy has relied on a reductionist frame for understanding these mechanisms in isolation, the contributors to Movement Integration take a more systemic, integrative approach. Ensomatosy is a new paradigm for comprehending movement from the perspective of the body's entirety. The body's many systems are understood as synchronized both internally and externally. Drawing on expertise in physiotherapy, somatics, sports science, Rolfing, myofascial therapy, craniosacral therapy, Pilates, and yoga, the authors assert that a more comprehensive understanding of movement is key to

restoring the body's natural ability to move fluidly and painlessly. With over 150 images, the Color Illustration Model of Relative Movement provides a visual tool for understanding how joints interact with surrounding structures (rather than in isolation). This is an ideal book for physiotherapists, massage therapists, structural integrators, coaches, as well as yoga and Pilates instructors.

A guide to coping with fibromyalgia, myofascial pain, and chronic fatigue syndrome • Reveals how to deal with each disorder and how treatments can interact or aggravate if more than one disorder is present • Offers techniques to dispel the side effects created by these illnesses Fibromyalgia, chronic myofascial pain, and chronic fatigue syndrome are often seen as interchangeable conditions, a belief held even by many health care providers. Nothing could be further from the truth--however, they do often coexist. Knowing if more than one of these disorders is present is extremely important because the treatment for one of them can often exacerbate the problems caused by the others. Written by a registered nurse and a psychologist who has been treating these conditions since 1994, this book presents an integrative medical approach to these three disorders with a strong emphasis on utilizing and strengthening the mind-body connection to restore well-being. The authors provide a thorough guide to numerous treatment options--from diet,

exercise, and herbs to mindfulness meditation, chi kung, and nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs). They also offer techniques to dispel the “brain fog” that these disorders often create and show how to overcome the resultant obstacles to effectively communicating with your doctor. The additional information included on the psychological issues that accompany these chronic pain disorders allows this integrative treatment guide to open the door not only to physical recovery but also emotional and mental well-being.

Body Reshaping through Muscle and Skin Meridian Therapy: An Introduction to 6 Body Types shows you how your weight and body shape can be a direct result of ill health and explains the structures and functions involved. It explores much more than just what your scale and the fit of your clothes might tell you. It looks at skin, fat, muscles, diaphragm, historical illnesses or injuries, body posture, body clock or circadian rhythm, digestion, blood vessels, nutrition, sympathetic nervous system, parasympathetic nervous system, and enteric nervous system. By examining the above factors, you will learn how they contribute toward changes in body shape (notice no mention of dieting or exercise). Muscle meridian therapy refers to the passive application of treatments to muscles not connected to any major organ. The techniques involved improve all the metabolic balances of the body (pressure, temperature, and balance) as well as your overall health. Therapies can benefit all people, including those with traumas such as

digestive system disorders, autonomic nerve system disorders, medication complications, post-childbirth complications, major scarring, posture issues, and pain management. The author provides the traditional Chinese medicine (TCM) tools and techniques needed for practitioner-guided wellness or at-home wellness understanding and maintenance. The book offers a full guide to "body type" evaluation for muscle meridian therapy and presents a "passive" therapy method (like massage or acupuncture) to complement "active" therapies (like physical therapy and exercise). It covers concepts that are highly individualized yet very "whole body" for physical restoration and balance.

This book is the updated English version (not a mere translation) of a textbook which appeared successively in Czech, in German, in Bulgarian, in Dutch and in Polish. This English version is shorter, more concise and includes the latest techniques. The role of manipulation is limited to passive mobility and an important part of this book deals with active mobility. The author emphasizes that this is a textbook and not a manual of techniques: the latter deals with individual techniques, while his purpose is to show that it can be disastrous to confine one's interest in this manner and to remain unaware of both the broader context of treatment and of the possible alternatives. There are chapters on functional anatomy, the diagnosis and treatment of disturbed locomotor system function, including indications of appropriate treatment and the place of manipulation, and finally a long chapter on the clinical aspects of impaired function of the locomotor system. The book begins by discussing

the major role played by impaired function in the vast majority of patients suffering from pain arising in the locomotor system. This type of pain is altogether the most frequent from which patients suffer, and the first two chapters of this book are mainly concerned with the origin of this pain. It is traditionally associated with rheumatism, but unfortunately rheumatologists are insufficiently aware of locomotor function and leave this field largely to neurologists and orthopaedic surgeons. The author believes that the speciality which is principally concerned with impaired function and its restoration to normal is rehabilitation medicine, a term which includes physical therapy, and it is in this framework that the future of manipulation lies. This will continue to be the case until, one day, a new speciality is established, one which deals with the whole of the locomotor system and in particular with its function. Ideally, it should be called "Musculo-skeletal Medicine". Discusses theories and physiology relevant to the manual treatment of chronic pain, especially as it regards the soft tissues of the upper body. Includes step-by-step protocols that address each muscle of a region and a regional approach to treatment, and gives a structural review of each region, including ligaments and functional anatomy.

Muscle tears are one of the most common pathologies in sport and one of the most frequent causes of sport activity suspension. The purpose of this book is to review the state of the art of the actual knowledge on muscle tears in athletes, in particular for what concern the biology of muscle healing, the conservative and surgical

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treatments and the preventive aspects. Therefore, this textbook can be a valid tool for all Sport Medicine practitioners such as physicians, physiotherapists and fitness coaches.

This important book fills a need in the developing area of Pain Medicine. It provides physicians with an up-to-date resource that details the current understanding about the basic science underlying the mechanism of action of the various CAM therapies used for pain. It summarizes the clinical evidence both for efficacy and safety, and finishes with practical guidelines about how such treatments could be successfully and safely integrated into a Pain practice.

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"The text aims to assist practitioners and students of manual therapy to develop a deeper understanding of their patients' processes and how they may be affected by different MT techniques. It aims to help MT practitioners deliver a more effective and safer treatment and to be able to treat a broader range of conditions."--BOOK JACKET.

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