

## Positional Release Techniques Leon Chaitow

Edited by Leon Chaitow and Ruth Lovegrove, this clearly written and fully illustrated multi-contributor volume offers practical, comprehensive coverage of the subject area. Covering all aspects of current diagnosis and management, this new book is suitable for physiotherapists, osteopathic physicians and osteopaths, medical pain specialists, urologists, urogynaecologists, chiropractors, manual therapists, acupuncturists, massage therapists and naturopaths worldwide.

Living with pain can provoke frustration, anxiety, depression and sometimes even a reliance on pharmaceutical painkillers. In this important and highly accessible book, registered osteopath and naturopath Leon Chaitow outlines a wide range of tried and tested natural approaches to pain relief, as well as groundbreaking research including the role played by fascia in the experience of pain and a whole host of breakthrough mind-body techniques. The author begins by explaining the nature of pain and why it is that the more you understand about it, the greater an ability you tend to have to overcome it. He then goes on to outline key pain relief approaches including meditation, hypnotherapy, cognitive behavioural therapy, light and colour therapy, breathing techniques, massage, stretching, hydrotherapy and herbalism. There is also extensive information on the importance of nutrition and supplements. And a special feature is the extensive pain directory that provides treatment advice for the most common problems including headaches, neck and shoulder pain, and backache. Featuring step-by-step self-help exercises and occasional helpful diagrams, this is an essential book for everyone wanting to take control of pain, get their health and vitality back, and enhance their sense of comfort, ease and freedom in everyday life.

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new artwork Companion website – [www.chaitowpositionalrelease.com](http://www.chaitowpositionalrelease.com) – containing videos that demonstrate application of PRTs and bank of downloadable images

This authoritative, research-based book, written by a team of clinical experts, offers an introduction to the symptoms and causes of disordered breathing as well as the strategies and protocols that can be used to correct and restore normal breathing.

Multidisciplinary Approaches to Breathing Pattern Disorders guides readers through a discussion of the current research that links disordered breathing patterns with perceived pain levels, fatigue, stress and anxiety. Basic mechanics, physiology, and biochemistry of normal breathing are outlined to lay a foundation for understanding causes and mechanics of disordered breathing. Self-help strategies with charts and workbook pages that may be photocopied as handouts are designed to help patients overcome specific breathing problems. "...this second edition is particularly outstanding, providing a good basis of practical hands-on techniques, well supported by pictures and the website, and giving specific focus on sports, speech and chronic pain." Reviewed by Janet Rowley on behalf of the New Zealand Journal of Physiotherapy, January 2015 ".a fantastic resource which will help students, clinicians, and physiotherapists to carry out effective evaluation and treatment in an acute care setting."

Reviewed by Poonam Mehta on behalf of the New Zealand Journal of Physiotherapy, January 2015

This book is the product of an important collaboration between clinicians of the manual therapies and scientists in several disciplines that grew out of the three recent International Fascia Research Congresses (Boston, Amsterdam, and Vancouver). The book editors, Thomas Findley MD PhD, Robert Schleip PhD, Peter Huijing PhD and Leon Chaitow DO, were major organizers of these congresses and used their extensive experience to select chapters and contributors for this book. This volume therefore brings together contributors from diverse backgrounds who share the desire to bridge the gap between theory and practice in our current knowledge of the fascia and goes beyond the 2007, 2009 and 2012 congresses to define the state-of-the-art, from both the clinical and scientific perspective. Prepared by over 100 specialists and researchers from throughout the world, Fascia: The Tensional Network of the Human Body will be ideal for all professionals who have an interest in fascia and human movement - physiotherapists, osteopathic physicians, osteopaths, chiropractors, structural integration practitioners, manual therapists, massage therapists, acupuncturists, yoga or Pilates instructors, exercise scientists and personal trainers - as well as physicians involved with musculoskeletal medicine, pain management and rehabilitation, and basic scientists working in the field. Reflects the efforts of almost 100 scientists and clinicians from throughout the world Offers comprehensive coverage ranging from anatomy and physiology, clinical conditions and associated therapies, to recently developed research techniques Explores the role of fascia as a bodywide communication system Presents the latest information available on myofascial force transmission which helps establish a scientific basis for given clinical experiences Explores the importance of fascia as a sensory organ - for example, its important proprioceptive and nociceptive functions which have implications for the generation of low back pain Describes new imaging methods which confirm the connectivity of organs and tissues Designed to organize relevant information for professionals involved in the therapeutic manipulation of the body's connective tissue matrix (fascia) as well as for scientists involved in basic

science research Reflects the increasing need for information about the properties of fascia, particularly for osteopaths, massage therapists, physiotherapists and other complementary health care professionals Offers new insights on the fascial related foundations of Traditional Chinese Medicine Meridians and the fascial effects of acupuncture

A comprehensive textbook covering all methods of spontaneous release by positioning. The background theory is explained and the techniques described in detail. The descriptions of the techniques are supplemented in the text by clear 2-colour line drawings and photographs. Compares all major positional release methods, from strain/counterstrain to functional osteopathy Details step-by-step use of these manual methods Describes integrated use with other manual approaches, such as Muscle Energy Techniques Provides explanations of treatment of both muscle and joint problems Explains how the methods can be used to treat bedridden patients Emphasises safety and usefulness in both acute and chronic settings Three new contributed chapters: Sacro-occipital technique use of padded wedges for diagnosis and treatment; Overview of the McKenzie Method; and Application of positional techniques in the treatment of animals. Completely updated, with additional new videoclips included on DVD-ROM. 56 new 2-colour line drawings and 27 new photographs.

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](http://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 viscerosomatic 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 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](http://www.chaitowonline.com) - containing updated video clips demonstrating the application of NMT

Clinical Application of Neuromuscular Techniques, Volume 2 - The Lower Body discusses the theory and practice of the manual treatment of chronic pain, especially with regards to the soft tissues of the lower body. Authored by experts of international renown, this highly successful book provides a structural review of each region, including ligaments and functional anatomy, and includes step-by-step protocols that address each muscle of a region. The volume now comes with an EVOLVE site for instructors who can download the full text and images for teaching purposes. Provides a comprehensive 'one-stop' volume on the treatment

of somatic pain and dysfunction Designed and written to meet the needs of those working with neuromuscular dysfunction in a variety of professions All muscles covered from the perspective of assessment and treatment of myofascial pain Describes normal anatomy and physiology as well as the associated dysfunction Gives indications for treatments and guidance on making the appropriate treatment choice for each patient Combines NMT, MET, PR and much more to give a variety of treatment options for each case Describes the different NMT techniques in relation to the joint anatomy involved Practical step-by-step descriptions provided to make usage easy Includes acupuncture, hydrotherapies and nutritional support as well as guidance for the patient in the use of self-help approaches Contains up-to-date evidence based content Presents the latest research findings underpinning the practice of NMT methodology from differing areas of practice Presents the increasingly refined ways of using the variety of MET methods to allow the reader to safely apply them in a variety of settings

Trigger point therapy is one of the fastest-growing and most effective pain therapies in the world. Medical doctors, chiropractors, physical therapists, and massage therapists are all beginning to use this technique to relieve patients' formerly undiagnosable muscle and joint pain, both conditions that studies have shown to be the cause of nearly 25 percent of all doctor visits. This book addresses the problem of myofascial trigger points—tiny contraction knots that develop in a muscle when it is injured or overworked. Restricted circulation and lack of oxygen in these points cause referred pain. Massage of the trigger is the safest, most natural, and most effective form of pain therapy. Trigger points create pain throughout the body in predictable patterns characteristic to each muscle, producing discomfort ranging from mild to severe. Trigger point massage increases circulation and oxygenation in the area and often produces instant relief. The Trigger Point Therapy Workbook, Third Edition, has made a huge impact among health professionals and the public alike, becoming an overnight classic in the field of pain relief. This edition includes a new chapter by the now deceased author, Clair Davies' daughter, Amber Davies, who is passionate about continuing her father's legacy. The new edition also includes postural assessments and muscle tests, an illustrated index of symptoms, and clinical technique drawings and descriptions to assist both practitioners and regular readers in assessing and treating trigger points. If you have ever suffered from, or have treated someone who suffers from myofascial trigger point pain, this is a must-have book.

Edited by Leon Chaitow and Sandy Fritz, this clearly written and fully illustrated volume offers practical, comprehensive coverage of the subject area accompanied by a range of video clips via [www.chaitowonline.com](http://www.chaitowonline.com) which presents the massage therapy techniques involved. Covering all aspects of client assessment, treatment planning and current therapeutic modalities – including adjunctive treatments - this new book is suitable for massage therapists worldwide. Offers practical, validated, and clinically relevant information to all therapists working in the field Edited by two acknowledged experts in the field to complement each other's approach and understanding of the issues involved Abundant use of pull-out boxes, line artwork, photographs and tables facilitates ease of understanding Contains an abundance of clinical cases to ensure full understanding of the topics explored Accompanying website - [www.chaitowonline.com](http://www.chaitowonline.com) - which presents film clips of the massage therapy techniques involved

Palpatory or touch skills lie at the very core of all "hands on" therapies. Subtlety and sensitivity of touch, and interpretation of palpatory tests, are essential requirements for practice. This book aims to help both the student and practicing therapist towards increased sophistication of palpatory assessment skills and practice.

Covering advanced massage therapy skills, this practical resource prepares you to work with medical professionals in a clinical setting, such as a hospital, hospice, long-term care, or other health-related practice. It discusses the many skills you need to succeed in this environment, helping you become a contributing member of an integrated team. Also covered are the essentials of clinical massage, such as indications and contraindications, review of massage methods, range of motion testing, SOAP note documentation, and a massage therapy general protocol. Case studies show how a multidisciplinary approach applies to real-world clients. By coordinating your work with other health professionals, you can enhance patient care in any clinical setting! Includes a DVD with: Two hours of video showing specific applications, featuring author Sandy Fritz. A complete general protocol for massage. State-of-the-art animations depicting biologic functions and medical procedures. 700 full-color illustrations accompany procedures, concepts, and techniques. An integrated healthcare approach covers the healthcare environment and the skills necessary to be a contributing member of an integrated healthcare team. A research-based focus emphasizes research, clinical reasoning, and outcome-based massage application — for effective massage application in conjunction with healthcare intervention. A complete general protocol provides a guide to treating disorders and maintaining wellness, with recommendations for positioning and interventions, using a step-by-step sequence that can easily be modified to meet a patient's specific needs. A palliative protocol helps you temporarily relieve a patient's symptoms of disorders or diseases. Case studies focus on outcome-based massage for individuals with multiple health issues, detailing assessment, medical intervention, justification for massage, and session documentation. Coverage of advanced massage therapy skills and decision-making skills includes specific themes for effective massage application, allowing you to consolidate massage treatment based on the main outcomes — useful when working with individuals with multiple pathologies or treatment needs. A discussion of aromatherapy provides safe recommendations for the use of essential oils in conjunction with massage, to promote healing of the body and mind. Descriptions of illness and injury include relevant anatomy/physiology/pathophysiology, as well as strategies and massage applications to use for pain management, immune support, stress management, chronic illness, and post-surgical needs. Coverage of insurance and reimbursement issues relates to you as a massage professional. Strategies for general conditions such as substance abuse, mental health, orthopedic injury, and cardiovascular disorders help you specialize in clinical massage. Expert authors provide knowledge in research, massage therapy in healthcare, and manual therapies. Learning resources include chapter outlines, chapter learning objectives, key terms, and workbook-style exercises. A companion Evolve website includes: PubMed links to research supporting best practices and justification for massage application. More information on topics such as insurance, pharmacology, and nutrition. More information on anatomy and physiology and other subjects. A comprehensive glossary with key terms and some audio pronunciations.

Theory and Practice of Therapeutic Massage, 5th edition is the classic text in the massage industry including the essential knowledge and skills needed to become a successful, professional massage therapist, plus the essentials of anatomy and physiology. Essential topics to the industry such as ethics, hygiene, communication skills, and body mechanics are discussed. Full-color illustrations and photographs clearly illustrate techniques and procedures. Classical massage is expanded with clinical techniques including neuromuscular and myofascial techniques, and lymph massage, combined to better serve the client by following therapeutic procedures. Numerous career tracts are explored including massage in a spa environment and athletic massage. A new chapter discusses massage for special populations including pre-natal, infant, elder, critically ill, people with cancer, and hospice. The final chapter has been revised to cover business practices for finding employment or successful self-employment. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

The massage therapist's guide to treating headaches and neck pain is a practical guide for the massage therapist to assist them in identifying appropriate massage treatment for those experiencing headaches and neck pain. The book describes the most common headache types and causes for neck pain that can be effectively addressed with therapeutic massage and associated methods easily incorporated into massage. Assessment procedures are provided both to identify appropriate treatment and to alert the massage therapist to more serious conditions that could be responsible for the symptoms and require a referral for further diagnosis and treatment. Protocols for treatment using massage and other soft tissue methods are provided. The text is written in a practical way that is user friendly. Incorporates a DVD demonstrating the palpation and treatment methods. Abundant illustrations and photos • Easy reference, easy language • DVD demonstrating methods and technique, such as: massage of face and head, massage of neck; and treatment of breathing pattern disorders and headaches • Written by two world-renowned authors

Integrated Sports Massage Therapy is a highly illustrated evidence-based handbook which presents a wide range of effective sports massage techniques to cover any sports-related situation. Anders Jelveus explains and applies effective techniques from a variety of disciplines of manual therapy, ranging from commonly used sports massage strokes to more advanced concepts for real-life effective sports massage treatments. The presented techniques serve as a great addition for any therapist seeking to work with athletes, and are suitable for pre-event, post-event, inter-event, and in remedial sports massage therapy. This unique book offers a comprehensive presentation of sports massage therapy including: Sports massage history Basic sports massage strokes and work postures Sports massage applications Event-based sports massage treatment guidelines Sports-specific massage treatment recommendations Therapeutic muscle stretching techniques Therapeutic muscle stretching applied to specific muscle groups Positional Release Techniques (PRT) Acupressure and Tui Na techniques with applications Myofascial release techniques Connective tissue massage Lymphatic drainage massage Myofascial Trigger Point etiology and treatment techniques Sports injuries Athletic taping Remedial Sports massage applications Athletic self massage techniques. The book is suitable for all

manual therapy students and practitioners, whether novice or advanced, including massage therapists, physical therapists, osteopaths, chiropractors, naprapaths, naturopaths and acupuncturists.

Describing the background of non-specific backache as well as the assessment and treatment methods ideal for use in combination with massage therapy, this book describes osteopathic and chiropractic methods and then integrates them into a detailed description of a massage session focusing on the person with backache.

Designed to assist the student in acquiring and applying the ideas, concepts and methods contained in the two volumes of "Clinical Application of Neuromuscular Techniques". This title presents 34 case histories, differential diagnosis discussions and questions. Questions regarding contra-indications, tests, and details are also provided.

(Producer) Explains and demonstrates the techniques of cranial manipulation, and explains the clinical applications for which it can be used. Another selection of the Jones and Bartlett Series: Contemporary Issues in Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Medicine Multidisciplinary Management of Migraine: Pharmacological, Manual, and Other Therapies is the first textbook focused on the multidisciplinary treatment of migraine including pharmacological and non-pharmacological approaches. This comprehensive text discusses epidemiology, pathophysiology, diagnosis, and management of patients with migraine headache integrating clinical experience and expertise with current evidence-based best practices. The authors are worldwide experts recognized in migraine and headache with experience in academic, research, and practice settings. Multidisciplinary Management of Migraine: Pharmacological, Manual, and Other Therapies reviews the options for medical management of patients with migraine by way of: pharmacological interventions; musculoskeletal interventions including muscle and joint centered interventions, manual therapy, and dry needling; and complementary and alternative medicine techniques including naturopathy, acupuncture, and placebo. With a multimodal and multidisciplinary approach, this comprehensive resource provides a variety of therapeutic tools for students and practitioners to provide excellent care and medical management of patients with migraine headache. Key Topics: Theories of migraine pathophysiology Sensitization mechanisms Migraine triggers Examination of the cervical and thoracic spinal joints Pharmacological interventions Musculoskeletal interventions Alternative medicine techniques This textbook is perfect for completing a headache library combined with tension-type and cervicogenic headache. Browse additional titles in the Jones & Bartlett Learning Series Contemporary Issues in Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Medicine, at: <http://go.jblearning.com/PTseries>"

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film clips of the manual therapy, biofeedback and rehabilitation techniques involved <http://booksite.elsevier.com/9780702035326/>  
Muscle Energy Techniques 4e sets out clear, practical and clinical guidelines for all students and practitioners wishing to use MET techniques as part of their patient management. Fully updated and now published in full colour throughout, this book has an accompanying website with video clips presenting the full array of modern METs in a variety of acute, chronic and rehabilitation settings. Introduces new methodology and instructs in the scientific basis and correct application of existing METs Explains the value of METs in the treatment of a variety of problems ranging from hypertonicity and muscle tightness to joint dysfunction and joint capsule adhesions Provides precise assessment and diagnosis guidelines from a variety of perspectives including osteopathy, chiropractic, physical therapy, athletic training and massage therapy Details the background to soft tissue dysfunction and explains the adaptive chain reactions that both produce and result from dysfunction Gives many variations on the safe use of MET in acute, chronic and rehabilitation settings Highly illustrated with full-colour line drawings and diagrams Supplemented by a website which includes video clips of experienced practitioners demonstrating the techniques Ideal for experienced practitioners as well as those taking undergraduate and postgraduate courses in manual therapy Now published in full colour throughout Presents the latest research findings underpinning the practice of MET methodology from differing areas of practice Presents the increasingly refined ways of using the variety of MET methods to allow the reader to safely apply them in a variety of settings Video clips on an associated website presents practical examples of the METs explored in the book Contains a new chapter on the history of MET to provide useful insights from pioneers of the method New chapters by orthopaedic surgeons discuss the relevance of MET in the rehabilitative setting Contains a completely new chapter on the relevance of MET to massage therapy as well as expanded sections on its value in chiropractic, sports injury and physiotherapy Contains an increased emphasis on pulsed MET and isotonic eccentric stretching A collection of tried and tested, effective and safe techniques and exercises for relaxing muscles in spasm and easing associated muscular pain, this is a handbook which the therapist can also safely recommend to his or her patients to buy and use themselves.

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This useful guide to palpation for musculoskeletal diagnosis and assessment describes and illustrates the skills needed to increase sophistication of palpatory assessment skills and practice. A companion CD-ROM supports the skills with video clips, and each technique is reinforced with practical exercises and self-assessment questions.

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.

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While Dora is out looking for their breakfast all six of her chicks disappear.

Designed for anyone involved in the management of musculoskeletal pain, this practical guide to fibromyalgia syndrome and its treatment provides a multidisciplinary perspective on this multifaceted and frequently encountered syndrome. The updated and expanded 2nd edition rapidly distills contemporary research on the subject and relates it specifically to the problems of assessment, diagnosis, and management. Information on the diagnosis and management of fibromyalgia is provided with a quick and clear reference for dealing with a group of difficult to manage patients. The latest research

findings are included in one place, eliminating the need to scan through multiple journals. All aspects of this multifaceted syndrome are addressed to help make a clear diagnosis and select the most appropriate management. Complementary approaches to treatment include answers to the questions many patients ask. Content is written by a well-known osteopath with contributions from other expert professionals - providing a multidisciplinary view of the problem and a variety of approaches to management. Two new chapters, expanded content, and additional illustrations reflect the emerging information on this syndrome. Material on physical therapy approaches to the syndrome has been added. The section on the cognitive/behavior approach to treatment has been expanded. A companion CD-ROM includes video clips, a narrative that shows how to assess and diagnose the syndrome, and techniques for treatment.

Building on the success of the 1st Edition and its accompanying video, this outstanding how-to manual features up-to-date chapters that cover the latest developments in the field. This osteopathic method focuses on allowing spontaneous physiological release of hypertonic muscles, including those in spasm. The gentleness of positional release techniques, the ease of application, and the potential for instant response are just a few of the benefits to patients, especially in cases of acute spasm and pain. It also allows chronically tense tissues to relax, making it a useful component of integrated therapeutic interventions that employ other soft tissue and joint normalization procedures. A new CD-ROM included FREE with the text offers high-quality video clips demonstrating specific techniques, as well as the entire text of the book in an on-screen, searchable format.

Fascial dysfunction is now recognised 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. In this second edition of his very successful book, Leon Chaitow brings together contributions from 20 leading practitioners and researchers from many different fields of manual therapy. Fascial Dysfunction - Manual Therapy Approaches, Second Edition aims to help those practitioners 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. New features of the Second edition include: Descriptions of new research evidence and its implications for practice: The dependence of collagen health on a mixture of balanced internal and external tension The importance of adequate hydration The possible role of the telocyte The importance of 'dosage' of therapies in management of fascial dysfunction New chapters on: Gua Sha and cupping Global postural re-education Scar remodelling The book is in two sections. Section I, written by Chaitow with a contribution by Tom Myers, presents a review of the current understanding of the function of fascia in the human body and describes what can go wrong - the causes and effects of fascial dysfunction and disease, and how to assess the problem and remove obstacles to the

success of treatment. Section II contains chapters by experts in different types of manual therapy including three by Chaitow. Each practitioner describes their own approach to the problem of assessing and treating fascial dysfunction and explains their specialist therapeutic approach. These approaches include: Bowen Therapy Connective Tissue Manipulation and Skin Rolling Fascia oriented training applications in sports and movement therapy The Fascial Manipulation method applied to low back pain Fascial Unwinding Balanced Ligamentous Tension Technique Gua sha (press-stroking) and Ba guan (cupping): traditional East Asian instrument- assisted manual therapies Muscle Energy Techniques (MET) Myofascial Induction Therapy (MIT) Neuromuscular Technique and associated Soft Tissue Manipulation Modalities Positional Release Techniques - (including counterstrain) Global Postural Re-education: Souchard Method Rolfing Structural Integration Management of Scars and Adhesions Manual Matrix Remodeling in myofascial injuries: scar modeling technique Massage Therapy and Fascia Trigger Point release methods including dry needling

Previous edition published as: Modern neuromuscular techniques.

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Ideal for both classroom and practice, *Modalities for Massage & Bodywork, 2nd Edition* presents 23 modalities of bodywork, their history, development, effects, benefits, contraindications, basic curricula and certification requirements. Updated photos and illustrations, critical thinking questions, and flash cards give you a better picture of today's massage best practices. Evolve companion website provides matching activities, flash cards, answers to multiple-choice questions, weblinks and video demonstrations of various modalities covered in the text to make learning more interactive. Case histories in each chapter illustrate the effects of the modality within a therapeutic context, creating the opportunity for integrative, clinical reasoning that helps prepare you for work in the various modalities. Student objectives and key terms at the start of each chapter provides a framework for what to expect and what to focus on with each chapter. In My Experience boxes provide personal insights about specific techniques from experts in the field. Full-color design and techniques shown with photos and illustrations enhance understanding and comprehension of each modality. Multiple-choice test questions at the end of each chapter with answers on the Evolve website help you measure your understanding of the modality and obtain instant feedback from the answer key that includes rationales. Suggested readings, resources and references in each chapter offer robust resources for you to further research each modality. Clinically relevant boxes and tables highlight important information. NEW Modalities chapters provide you with a greater awareness of the opportunities and options available as they pursue a massage therapy career and practitioners with more practical information they can apply to their work. NEW! Student resources on Evolve supplement the classroom experience and ensures you retain the material in the text. 23 different body techniques are introduced to help you learn about different modalities you may want to pursue and reaffirm your knowledge of techniques. More than 2 hours of video on the Evolve website bring the modalities to life and help put the text instructions in perspective. NEW! Updated content, photos and illustrations equip you with the latest information and visuals on modalities from experts in the field that reflect current practices in the field and the needs and wants of massage therapy practitioners and students. NEW! Critical thinking questions added to each chapter actively engage and challenge your reasoning skills. NEW! Additional review questions added to each chapter supply you with more opportunities to review what you have learned and test your knowledge.

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Fascial dysfunction is now recognised 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. In this second edition of his very successful book, Leon Chaitow brings together contributions from 20 leading practitioners and researchers from many different fields of manual therapy. *Fascial Dysfunction - Manual Therapy*

Approaches, Second Edition aims to help those practitioners 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. New features of the Second edition include: Descriptions of new research evidence and its implications for practice: The dependence of collagen health on a mixture of balanced internal and external tension The importance of adequate hydration The possible role of the telocyte The importance of 'dosage' of therapies in management of fascial dysfunction New chapters on: Gua Sha and cupping Global postural re-education Scar remodelling The book is in two sections. Section I, written by Chaitow with a contribution by Tom Myers, presents a review of the current understanding of the function of fascia in the human body and describes what can go wrong - the causes and effects of fascial dysfunction and disease, and how to assess the problem and remove obstacles to the success of treatment. Section II contains chapters by experts in different types of manual therapy including three by Chaitow. Each practitioner describes their own approach to the problem of assessing and treating fascial dysfunction and explains their specialist therapeutic approach. These approaches include: \* Bowen Therapy \* Connective Tissue Manipulation and Skin Rolling \* Fascia oriented training applications in sports and movement therapy \* The Fascial Manipulation® method applied to low back pain \* Fascial Unwinding \* Balanced Ligamentous Tension Technique \* Gua sha (press-stroking) and Ba guan (cupping): traditional East Asian instrument- assisted manual therapies \* Muscle Energy Techniques (MET) \* Myofascial Induction Therapy (MIT®) \* Neuromuscular Technique and associated Soft Tissue Manipulation Modalities \* Positional Release Techniques - (including counterstrain) \* Global Postural Re-education: Souchard Method \* Rolfing® Structural Integration \* Management of Scars and Adhesions \* Manual Matrix Remodeling in myofascial injuries: scar modeling technique \* Massage Therapy and Fascia \* Trigger Point release methods including dry needling

This expertly authored book is a valuable clinical manual for therapists interested in cranial manipulation, a fast-growing area of manual therapy practice. The new edition presents the latest thinking on the use of this valuable approach, supported by the most up-to-date research evidence related to its use. Osteopathic biomechanical and biodynamic concepts are thoroughly examined, in addition to chiropractic and dental approaches involving cranial and cranio-facial manipulation. The book's unique approach explores both soft tissue and osseous applications, and provides guidance on which option to select in different clinical situations. Descriptions and explanations of techniques are supported by high-quality illustrations, a CD-ROM containing actual video demonstrations, and practical exercises integrated within the text. Cranial osteopathic, cranio-sacral, sacro-occipital (chiropractic), cranio-facial, and dental methods and perspectives are explained and compared. Evidence-based coverage highlights the clinical relevance of the latest research findings. Both

osseous and soft tissue assessment and treatment options, and offers guidance on appropriate selection. Clear line drawings supplement the text. Important discussions of theory support guidelines for putting concepts into practice. Numerous exercises on palpation, assessment, and treatment allow the reader to practice techniques and check their understanding as they go. Written by one of the most highly respected practitioners in the field. A companion CD-ROM contains the entire text as well as video segments demonstrating how to perform the technique. Icons in the text direct readers to video footage on the CD-ROM that demonstrates the technique as it's described. Expanded information is provided on the use of this technique with children. A question-and-answer format has been incorporated into several chapters. A new chapter addresses conditions most commonly treated successfully with this technique. New two-color design clarifies the illustrations and makes the text easy to follow. New contributed chapters discuss the scope of cranial work, the biodynamic model of osteopathy in the cranial field, chiropractic in the cranial field, the link between cranial dysfunction, and the teeth from a dental perspective.

Describing the background to the evolution of non-specific backache as well as the assessment and treatment methods ideal for use in combination with massage therapy, deriving from physical therapy, osteopathic, and chiropractic sources, this book describes these methods individually and then integrates them into a detailed description of a massage session focusing on the person with backache.

This is the 4th edition of a well known book from a highly respected author. It has been designed to help manual therapy students and practitioners to understand and acquire the palpatory skills which are essential for evaluating and deciding on appropriate treatment for musculoskeletal dysfunction. The accurate interpretation of palpatory findings is difficult and comes with experience but this book aims to increase the awareness of how to palpate and what is being felt. It is supported by a DVD with video clips and commentary by the author to demonstrate and explain the techniques described in the text.

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