



ONTARIO SECTION
ORTHOPAEDIC DIVISION



Canadian
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CRAFTA-1 & CRAFTA-2 FOUNDATIONS COURSE



June 1-4, October 26-29 2023

The Ontario Section of the Canadian Physiotherapy Association will be hosting the Craniofacial Therapy Academy (CRAFTA®)



CRAFTA - 1
4 DAYS

CRAFTA
3 DAYS ONLINE

CRAFTA - 2
4 DAYS

Course highlights:

- The CRAFTA® is about diagnosis and treatment of patients with temporomandibular, craniomandibular, and craniofacial problems in addition to headaches and facial pain using an interdisciplinary approach.
- The CRAFTA® education program is patient centred and will satisfy the demands of critically questioning medical doctors and therapists as well as the more practically thinking colleagues.
- Clinical patterns which are addressed in the course are (among others), TMJ, headaches, whiplash and vestibular dysfunctions.
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CRAFTA-1 FOUNDATIONS COURSE

The CRAFTA-1 Foundations course focuses on the assessment and management of the craniomandibular-facial region and its functional relations. Students will learn about pain mechanisms of the relevant craniomandibular structures, the function of the temporomandibular joint (TMJ) and neurophysiological, biomechanical, and functional relationships with the cervical spine. Primary topics include the subjective and physical examination and various treatment techniques of the TMJ. The course includes an up-to-date

review of the current neurobiological and anatomical knowledge of the function of the TMJ. In addition, theoretical presentation will include introduction to various clinical syndromes, such as bruxism, clenching, (cervical) headaches, neuralgias, and the otomandibular syndrome. The course includes theoretical and practical sessions. For the craniofacial region, students will learn to identify and recognize clinical patterns as well as develop clinical skills for the assessment and management of the craniofacial region within a defined clinical reasoning model. This course includes a thorough review of the function, anatomy, biomechanical properties, pathology, examination and treatment of the craniofacial region. Participants will receive access to the online module during the CRAFTA-1 course.

CRAFTA-2 FOUNDATIONS COURSE

The CRAFTA-2 Foundations course is a continuation of the CRAFTA-1 and Online Module courses. During the CRAFTA-2 Foundations course, students will expand their knowledge in the assessment and treatment of patients with craniofacial pain and dysfunction. Much attention will be paid to pain mechanisms, neuroanatomy, neurodynamics, and the examination and treatment of the cranial nervous system. In addition, the course will highlight specific assessment and management strategies of the neuro- and viscerocranium, and review neuropathic and update neuropathic pain, specific testing, clinical pattern recognition, and pathologies of all cranial nerves. A mechano-sensitivity classification model will be included with specific cranial nerve tests. When possible, this course features a patient demonstration where the information gained from the course may be applied in a practical manner.

Information about CRAFTA and their courses can be found online on the CRAFTA website by [clicking here](#) and through YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vu0oErstR78> (English)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oxEkTd0u0MI&t=6s> (French)

Course registration will be through the Ontario Section website at:

www.orthodivontario.ca/courses