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Review

From the reviews of the fourth edition:

“This book explains the use of proprioceptive neuromuscular facilitation (PNF) in the treatment of patients with various impairments. ... an excellent reference for physical therapy students as well as physical therapists at all levels. ... This book clearly explains the rationales for, and uses of, PNF. ... The photos illustrating the different techniques with well-written instructions are the true strength of this book.” (Jeff Yaver, Doody’s Book Reviews, February, 2014)

From the Back Cover

PNF (Proprioceptive Neuromuscular Facilitation) is a concept to therapeutic exercise which therapists all over the world have found effective for treating patients with a wide range of diagnoses. The approach presented in this richly illustrated guide is based on the concepts set out by Dr. Herman Kabat and taught by Margaret Knott. The fully revised fourth edition demonstrates how the principles of the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF) and aspects of motor learning and motor control (from »hands-on« to »hands-off« management) are applied in modern PNF evaluation and treatment.

A new fresh fully-coloured design and layout highlights the clearly structured way in which philosophy, basic procedures and treatment patterns of PNF are based.

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