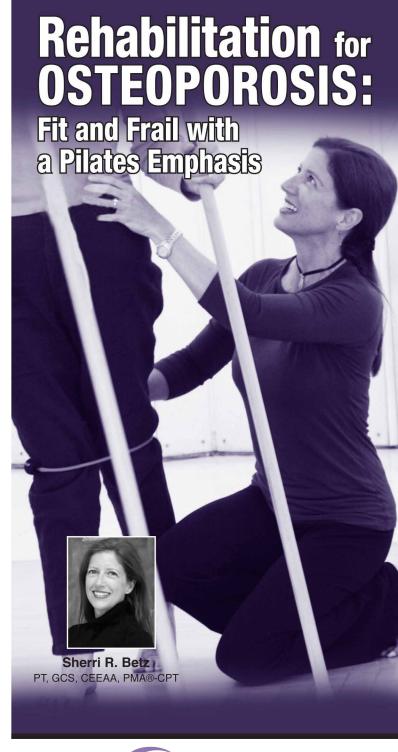
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# **Program Outline**

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7:30-8:00	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:00-8:30	History of Pilates
8:30-9:30	Osteoporosis Etiology, Disease Process, Patient Questionnaire
9:30-9:45	Break
9:45-10:45	BMD Testing Methods, Interpretation of a BMD Study
10:45-11:15	Patient Assessment for Osteoporosis
11:15-12:00	Patient: Assessment: Kypholordosis Measurement
12:00-1:00	Working Lunch: Osteoporosis Nutrition, Common Medications
1:00-2:00	Osteoporosis Exercise Research Review
2:00-3:30	Precautions and Contra-indicated Exercises Hip, Spine, Wrist
3:30-3:45	Break
3:45-5:00	Pilates-based Standing Posture and Lower Extremity Alignment
5:00-6:00	Introductory Level Pilates Mat Work focused on Form and Alignment
6:00-6:30	Review and Questions & Answers
DAY 2:	
7:30-8:00	Continental Breakfast
8:00-9:45	Pilates-based exercises for Frail Older Adults
9:45-10:00	Break
10:00-11:00	Intermediate Level Pilates Mat Class for Fit Older Adults
11:00-12:00	Pilates-based Mat Class in Chairs and Standing for Frail Older Adults
12:00-1:00	Working Lunch: Case Study
1:00-2:00	View and Discuss a Private Pilates Session with a Frail Older Adult
2:00-2:45	Physical Therapy, Pilates Private Sessions, Pilates Group Community Classes
2:45-3:00	Break
3:00-4:00	Pilates Apparatus Introduction and Discussion
4:00-5:00	Group Case Studies
5:00-6:00	Case Study Presentations
6:00-6:30	Discussion, Q & A and Evaluation of Days 1 & 2

# **Faculty**

SHERRI BETZ, PT. GCS, CEEAA, PMA®-CPT is a graduate of the LSUMC School of Physical Therapy, a Geriatric Clinical Specialist, PMA® Certified Pilates teacher, and Vice-President of Polestar Pilates Education, Sherri also serves on the Board of Directors of American Bone Health. on the FORE (Foundation for Osteoporosis Research and Education) Professional Education Committee, on the NOF (National Osteoporosis Foundation) Exercise and Rehabilitation Advisory Council and as the Chair of the APTA Geriatric Section's Bone Health Special Interest Group. She also speaks internationally on behalf of these organizations on the topic of geriatric exercise, bone health and Pilates-based rehabilitation. Ms. Betz was elected as the Vice-President of the Pilates Method Alliance and served on the PMA Board of Directors from 2003-2009, and also serves on the Medical Advisory Panel for the PMA Pilates National Exam to improve the quality of Pilates instruction. Sherri Betz is currently pursuing research at University of Miami on Pilates' effect on respiratory function and bone health. Sherri is passionately devoted to improving awareness about bone health through development of professional and consumer education as well as through promotion of low-cost community exercise programs for fit and frail older adults.

# **Description**

Here's a shocking statistic....Worldwide, 1 out of every 2 women, and 1 out of every 4 men over age 50 has low bone density! The purpose of this course is to teach you innovative and creative Pilates-based models for working with the fit or frail patient/client with osteoporosis in groups or in one-to-one physical or occupational therapy treatment settings. Learn to triage patients into a fit or frail category with a simple screening process.

This course places a strong emphasis on postural awareness, neuromuscular re-education for trunk control, spinal extension, lower extremity strength, and balance as applied to falls and fracture prevention of the hip and vertebral bodies. Learn how to introduce alignment, breathing and core control using Pilates-based principles followed by appropriate selection and sequencing of exercises for success with extremity strengthening, core control, postural changes, reduction of kyphosis, and balance.

The course will also cover a myriad of topics from the FRAC® fracture risk assessment tool, to current evidence based treatment of frail older persons and those with osteoporosis. Precautions and contraindications will be clearly explained with supporting evidence. Exercise classes will be presented in an experiential format that are appropriate for the fit or frail osteoporotic patient as well as case studies utilizing Pilates and other treatment techniques so the attendee will leave with a rich repertoire of treatments that can be used immediately.

# **Objectives**

# Upon Completion of this Seminar, Participants will be able to:

- Apply the definitions of osteoporosis and osteopenia in evaluation and treatment in clinical practice
- Identify risk factors for osteoporosis in all ages
- Explain how the diagnosis and screening process for osteoporosis relates to fracture prevention
- Perform the FRAC® Risk Assessment on every patient at risk for fracture
- Select and practice physical therapy evaluation and interventions specific to patients with osteoporosis
- Perform and gain competence in the Kypholordosis Measurement Technique
- Interpret Bone Densitometry Studies and create exercise programs based on the findings
- Explain the T-score and Z-scores to patients and colleagues
- Apply current research in teaching effective exercise for bone health and avoid high fracture risk exercise for osteoporotic patients
- Plan treatments and systematically progress the client with previous fracture
- Discuss fracture prevention tips with patients and students
- Avoid contraindicated movements and exercises in patient programs
- Practice over 100 Pilates-based exercises as appropriate for geriatric populations
- Demonstrate unique postural correction cues, activities and exercises to teach in individual or group sessions based on the work of Paul Hodges, Ron Fletcher, and Polestar Pilates Education.
- Participate in 2 Levels of Pilates-based mat classes targeting fit and frail older adults
- Create and organize group exercise classes for the optimum learning of the individual participants
- Apply imagery and tactile cueing in teaching Pilates exercises for effective and fast patient performance

### **Locations**

# Registration

**AUDIENCE:** Primary Audience - Physical Therapists, Physical Therapist Assistants, Occupational Therapists, Occupational Therapist Assistants. Secondary Audience: Other Rehabilitation Professionals.

**LEVEL:** This course is at an intermediate level.

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