

Physical Therapy for people with metastatic cancer

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Speaker Bio: Oren has a BSc.PT (Honors) from Queens University, a M.Sc. PT from the University Of Western Ontario, and is a PhD Candidate at McMaster University.

He has been working as a physiotherapist at Hamilton Health Sciences, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada since 1996 in a variety of positions including in and out patient orthopedics, amputee and spinal cord rehabilitation, surgical patients, pediatrics, and in the home care setting. Currently as a Clinical Specialist in the Oncology program, in addition to direct patient care, Oren conducts Oncology related research (e.g. investigating the knowledge and interests of people with cancer related to exercise, acupuncture for people with cancer, and others), educates patients and health care staff about the role of physical activity, and physiotherapists, throughout the continuum of cancer care. He is also an Associate Clinical Professor at McMaster University and is a tutor in the problem based tutorials. He is the Principal Investigator of the CanWell program (www.canwellprogram.ca), which is a community based exercise and education program for people with cancer.

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Session Information:

Physical Therapists have an important role in the management of people with cancer. A common complication for people with cancer is the development of metastatic disease. Improvements in the medical management regimen of people with cancer requires that Physical Therapists know to identify metastatic, have a basic understanding of metastatic cancer, are able to communicate effectively with other health care providers regarding metastases, and work safely with patients who have metastatic cancer.

Goals: Upon completion of this webinar, participants will be able to:

- Demonstrate basic understanding of metastatic cancer development (primarily bone metastases).
- Demonstrate an understanding of safety considerations relevant to exercise for patients with metastatic cancer.
- Understand the role of Physical Therapist in the management of people with metastatic cancer.

Topics that will be discussed include:

- Development and types of metastases.
- Diagnosis of metastases.
- Safety considerations.
- Physiotherapy intervention.
- People with metastatic cancer and exercise programs.