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The Adult Assisting Hand Assessment Stroke (Ad AHA)



The Assisting Hand Assessment (AHA) is now available in a new version, for adults with hemiparesis after acquired brain injury. By attending this course you can achieve the certification Ad-AHA Stroke.

The Ad-AHA Stroke offers a new perspective on evaluating hand function in adults or adolescents suffering from acquired hemiparesis. It is an elaboration of the Assisting Hand Assessment (AHA), which has been successfully used in children with unilateral cerebral palsy for about 10 years. This new version, Ad-AHA Stroke, is now ready for use!

The Ad-AHA Stroke measures and describes the effectiveness of the way a person with hemiparesis makes use of his/her affected hand (assisting hand) during bimanual activity performance. The Ad-AHA Stroke is scored from observation of a 10-15 minutes video recording of a semi-structured activity requiring bimanual use. The score is based on observable performance skills described by 19 items graded on a 4-point rating scale. Ad-AHA Stroke is a standardized test designed for people with hemiparesis after acquired brain injury from teenage years to older adults.

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

- 1) verbalize the concept and construct of the test and its psychometric properties
- 2) demonstrate the setup, conduct and video record an Ad-Assisting Hand Assessment session
- 3) produce reliable scores according the criteria in the manual
- 4) interpret and communicate the outcomes of the test.

PROGRAMME

This course deals with the Ad-AHA Stroke Version 1.0.

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The course comes in two steps.

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During a 2½-day training participants learn about how the test is constructed, how the testing procedure works and they practice the way in which scoring should be done, all this by using video material of patients. A manual with detailed scoring criteria and a computer-based scoring form is provided during the course.

Distance learning: individual assignment with feedback

To achieve certification, the participant is to complete a total of 6 calibration cases and achieve satisfactory results. The first cases will be videos distributed during the course, the final cases will be self-produced Ad-AHA Stroke sessions.

Participants will receive individual feedback on their cases. Test equipment can be gathered by the participants following the instructions in the manual.

Practical information

Date	3 and 4 February 2016 from 9h till 17h 5 February 2016 from 9h till 14h
Location	Arteveldehogeschool Campus Kantienberg Voetweg 66 9000 Gent
Price	€ 860 Price inclusive lunch, drinks, manual and personal feedback.
Sign up	Sign up by using this link The course allows a maximum of 25 participants and a minimum of 16 participants. The course is intended for occupational therapists and physiotherapists. The language of instruction is English.
Info	Parking space is available at 'parking Sint-Pietersplein' (about a 3 minutes' walk) Each participant receives a certificate of attendance. After having completed the course in a satisfactory way, participants will receive an Ad AHA certification.

Questions

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