

Deep Tissue Massage A Visual To Techniques

Comprehensive, authoritative, research-based information to help manual therapists prevent injury, enhance their practice, and prolong their careers. Includes practical information, advice and suggestions on good body mechanics, designing the workspace for greater comfort and safety, protecting vulnerable parts of the body by finding alternative techniques, staying in shape with a conditioning program designed by a doctor of physical therapy specifically for manual therapists, and recognizing and treating early symptoms to keep them from turning into injury. Written by a leading expert with over 13 years of experience and a certified professional ergonomist with over 17 years of experience, with contributions by a doctor of physical therapy with over 20 years of experience. Written in an accessible, easy-to-read style, this all-new second edition includes over 80 illustrations and photographs and has been endorsed by many prominent members of the manual therapy community.

Written by the Director of the world-renowned Touch Research Institutes, this book examines the practical applications of important massage therapy research findings. Each chapter of this comprehensive resource provides a clear and authoritative review of what is reliably known about the effects of touch for a

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variety of clinical conditions such as depression, pain management, movement problems, and functioning of the immune system. Coverage also includes the benefits of massage to specific populations such as pregnant women, neonates, infants, and adolescents. This book is suitable for massage therapists (including Shiatsu practitioners), aromatherapists, chiropractors, osteopaths, physical therapists, and nurses. Provides a thorough yet concise review of recent research related to the importance of touch. Offers practical guidance to healthcare professionals whose work involves physical contact with patients.

Structural Balance: A Clinical Approach by Kyle Wright advances the reader's clinical knowledge and hands-on skills of trigger point therapy techniques, postural and body structural conditions that cause chronic pain and discomfort, and specific therapies and exercises for resolving those conditions. Appropriate for clinical courses in massage therapy, physical therapy, and chiropractic programs, this text provides a step-by-step illustrated guide of manipulations for easy learning of muscle pains and their causes. Content is practical and treatment specific, discussing muscle attachments, pain patterns, clinical notes, range-of-motion exercises, physical distortions, and proper positioning. Structural Balance teaches employable skills for a variety of healthcare specialties.

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This is the perfect introduction to using massage, yoga and acupressure to balance the body's natural energies, with easy-to-follow techniques shown in 400 photographs. It is a unique approach to unlocking your inner energy using a combination of yoga stretches and pressure-point work. You can gain greater awareness of your body and mind, to improve your physical health and find a new spiritual stillness and strength. It includes a complete body routine to follow for a total in-depth treatment, plus shorter routines to concentrate on specific areas of the body. It features bodywork specially devised for pregnant women and older people. It provides bodywork to ease everyday complaints such as headaches and an aching back. All techniques are illustrated with step-by-step photographs, with more than 400 photographs in total. This powerful form of body work uses the body's own energy lines, combining gentle yoga stretches with massage techniques and also introducing elements of other popular healing approaches, including acupressure and reflexology. The book begins by outlining this ancient healing therapy, its origins and objectives, and then explains and demonstrates the elements and requirements of a typical session. The core of the book is a comprehensive full body treatment, working through each area of the body sequentially. With over 400 specially taken photographs, this is the perfect guide to the subject, providing absorbing background information and

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clearly illustrated step-by-step routines.

Starting with a simple setting that can easily be accomplished with few special preparations, readers will learn, step-by-step, how to make a deep and meaningful connect with their partner's body. Using a combination of strokes from the most time-honored massage traditions, they will learn to be mindful of where their partner holds stress and tension. As the massage continues, readers will enter into a profound nonverbal dialogue with their partner, learning much from the simple act of contact with another body. All of the techniques are illustrated with black-and-white photographs. Elegant and refined, this book is a perfect gift for a special someone or a friend in love.

The Complete Spa Book for Massage Therapists is specifically for massage therapy students who want to succeed in the spa industry, whether as an employee or an owner of their own spa. It is the only book that includes extensive information about real-world working conditions in actual spas, with an enormous amount of feedback from working spa directors and owners regarding what they are looking for in employees. Beyond giving explanations and step-by-step instructions regarding a wide range of spa modalities, the book offers an in-depth look at topics that many other resources do not cover. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be

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Ideal for both classroom and practice, *Modalities for Massage & Bodywork, 2nd Edition* presents 23 modalities of bodywork, their history, development, effects, benefits, contraindications, basic curricula and certification requirements. Updated photos and illustrations, critical thinking questions, and flash cards give you a better picture of today's massage best practices. Evolve companion website provides matching activities, flash cards, answers to multiple-choice questions, weblinks and video demonstrations of various modalities covered in the text to make learning more interactive. Case histories in each chapter illustrate the effects of the modality within a therapeutic context, creating the opportunity for integrative, clinical reasoning that helps prepare you for work in the various modalities. Student objectives and key terms at the start of each chapter provides a framework for what to expect and what to focus on with each chapter. In My Experience boxes provide personal insights about specific techniques from experts in the field. Full-color design and techniques shown with photos and illustrations enhance understanding and comprehension of each modality. Multiple-choice test questions at the end of each chapter with answers on the Evolve website help you measure your understanding of the modality and obtain instant feedback from the answer key that includes rationales. Suggested

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readings, resources and references in each chapter offer robust resources for you to further research each modality. Clinically relevant boxes and tables highlight important information. NEW Modalities chapters provide you with a greater awareness of the opportunities and options available as they pursue a massage therapy career and practitioners with more practical information they can apply to their work. NEW! Student resources on Evolve supplement the classroom experience and ensures you retain the material in the text. 23 different body techniques are introduced to help you learn about different modalities you may want to pursue and reaffirm your knowledge of techniques. More than 2 hours of video on the Evolve website bring the modalities to life and help put the text instructions in perspective. NEW! Updated content, photos and illustrations equip you with the latest information and visuals on modalities from experts in the field that reflect current practices in the field and the needs and wants of massage therapy practitioners and students. NEW! Critical thinking questions added to each chapter actively engage and challenge your reasoning skills. NEW! Additional review questions added to each chapter supply you with more opportunities to review what you have learned and test your knowledge. The Visual Guide to Swedish Massage clearly illustrates the practical methods for performing foundational massage therapy techniques. Readers will find this

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handy reference tool to be an important supplement to their massage therapy curriculum and a helpful review of the proper movements to ensure the client experience is second to none. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Theory and Practice of Therapeutic Massage, 5th edition is the classic text in the massage industry including the essential knowledge and skills needed to become a successful, professional massage therapist, plus the essentials of anatomy and physiology. Essential topics to the industry such as ethics, hygiene, communication skills, and body mechanics are discussed. Full-color illustrations and photographs clearly illustrate techniques and procedures. Classical massage is expanded with clinical techniques including neuromuscular and myofascial techniques, and lymph massage, combined to better serve the client by following therapeutic procedures. Numerous career tracts are explored including massage in a spa environment and athletic massage. A new chapter discusses massage for special populations including pre-natal, infant, elder, critically ill, people with cancer, and hospice. The final chapter has been revised to cover business practices for finding employment or successful self-employment. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product

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CD-ROM includes 20 massage technique video clips, 10 Acland anatomy video clips, anatomy figures from the text, chapter quizzes.

This highly illustrated Candidate Handbook contains everything students need to know for the VTCT Certificate in Sports Massage or the Sports Massage option unit for the BTEC National Sport award.

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revised and includes a preface to the new edition, a foreword, an index, a Suggested Reading list, and extended sections on integrating deep-tissue massage into bodywork practice and the psychology of treating injuries. Would you like to enable your horse to perform and feel better, to overcome old limitations and restrictions and reach its full potential? In this book, Jim Masterson, Equine Massage Therapist for the 2006 and 2008 and 2010 USET Endurance Teams, and for equine clientele competing in FEI World Cup, Pan American and World Games competitions, teaches a unique method of equine bodywork, in which the practitioner recognizes and follows the responses of the horse to touch to release tension in key junctions of the body that most affect performance. This practical book: * has step-by-step instructions, photographs and illustrations * is ideally suited to accompany you to the barn, where you will practice the Masterson Method® techniques on horses. * includes chapters with Tips & Techniques, anatomical explanations and examples from Jim's practice help deepen your understanding. * has a "quick reference" section will point you to exercises that are specifically suited to your particular discipline, may it be dressage, endurance, eventing or barrel racing, or others in the vast realm of horse sports. By using these techniques, and knowing the responses to look for, you are able to: * achieve a release of accumulated stress in deep-seated key

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junctions of the horse's body that affects mobility, comfort, attitude, training and performance * restore muscular and structural balance, and natural alignment * enable your horse to perform optimally and respond to your training without stiffness and pain * achieve new levels of communication and trust with your horse that spill over into other areas of interaction.

Want to really understand the health and wellness benefits of massage?

Interested in practicing massage at home or considering taking a course? Let this be your guide on everything from effleurage to epineuria. Annotated anatomy and physiology illustrations show you how different levels of pressure work the muscles, and the profound effect massage can have on the nervous system and on cardio and lymphatic health. Learn how to prepare physically and mentally, and get the lowdown on oils and massage beds, diffusers and candles. And if you're receiving a massage, find out why drinking water before and after is important and how focusing on breathing enhances muscle relaxation. All the core strokes and massage techniques that form the foundation of massage practice are shown photographically with detailed annotations and integrated arrows showing the direction and application of pressure. Familiarize yourself with the key disciplines, from Swedish to shiatsu, reflexology and hot stone therapy. Access over 30 bespoke massage sequences, tailored to treat specific

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complaints and special client groups, such as pregnant women, babies, and those recovering from surgery. Become an expert in the simple but profoundly effective power of touch and share its miraculous health benefits.

The work of a sports therapist is highly technical and requires a confident, responsible and professional approach. The Routledge Handbook of Sports Therapy, Injury Assessment and Rehabilitation is a comprehensive and authoritative reference for those studying or working in this field and is the first book to comprehensively cover all of the following areas: Sports Injury Aetiology Soft Tissue Injury Healing Clinical Assessment in Sports Therapy Clinical Interventions in Sports Therapy Spinal and Peripheral Anatomy, Injury Assessment and Management Pitch-side Trauma Care Professionalism and Ethics in Sports Therapy The Handbook presents principles which form the foundation of the profession and incorporates a set of spinal and peripheral regional chapters which detail functional anatomy, the injuries common to those regions, and evidence-based assessment and management approaches. Its design incorporates numerous photographs, figures, tables, practitioner tips and detailed sample Patient Record Forms. This book is comprehensively referenced and multi-authored, and is essential to anyone involved in sports therapy, from their first year as an undergraduate, to those currently in professional practice.

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Michael Shea, one of the foremost experts on myofascial release, presents straightforward, practical instructions for dramatically releasing pain and restriction of motion in the body's fascia, muscles, and connective tissue. He introduces a soft tissue, hands-on approach for massage therapists, physical therapists, and other healthcare practitioners that reduces tension and stress in their clients' entire myofascial systems, as well as their musculoskeletal and cardiovascular systems. Therapists with little or no background in myofascial release and deep tissue reorganization can follow this book's easy guidelines in order to facilitate substantial orthopedic changes and pain reduction in their clients. Illustrated with 70 black and white photos, Myofascial Release Therapy includes an at-a-glance section that provides a step-by-step procedure for quick reference. Each photo is supplemented with instructions, as well as with arrows for easy reference in the clinic. This book provides the first integration of the verbal, visceral, and palpation skills of the therapist. It also includes work on the viscera as a way of integrating soft tissue work through the abdomen and pelvis. While manuals on the bones, muscles, and viscera have previously been divided into separate volumes, this book combines them into one. The author offers specific tools and protocols for helping patients "destructure" past somatic experience and reform it into something healthier. He illuminates the interconnectedness between bodies and their relationships to the outside world, including how sensations, feelings, and emotions are organized in the body and how they are coupled to meaning and memory. The result of many years

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of experience and knowledge, this book provides compelling evidence that myofascial release therapy encourages more rapid healing response of injured tissue.

Preceded by Basic clinical massage therapy / James H. Clay, David M. Pounds. 2008.

Written by an expert on alternative bodywork, this book presents techniques for manipulating the soft tissues of the back in a safe, simple manner. The method avoids the high velocity, low amplitude thrusting techniques employed by chiropractors. Instead, it utilizes the intuitive sense of somatic bodyworkers combined with the proven theory and technique of Rolfing to provide safe and effective treatment. Maitland shows how to elegantly release joint fixations in the spine, sacrum, pelvis, and ribcage by using subtle soft tissue techniques, rather than the thrusting techniques that "pop" the joints. This gentler kind of individualized Rolfing work is thoroughly described within an explanation of biomechanics, aided by drawings and photographs which depict techniques and anatomy.

On the field, post-event, or in the clinic, Sports Massage is the essential resource for developing and perfecting your sports massage technique! Sports Massage provides an in-depth discussion of applications of foundational massage techniques within a sports massage approach. Thorough instructions and over 130 full-color photos demonstrate the correct application of each massage stroke for muscle groups of the neck, shoulder, torso, pelvis, legs, and feet. You'll also learn how to use advanced working positions in prone, supine, side-lying, and sitting orientations to address each

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muscle group, helping you achieve a more comfortable and therapeutic session for your client. This practical guide explains the foundations of sports massage as a profession, including performance-related benefits of sports massage, common environments for professional practice (practice, event, clinical), range of clientele (recreational or serious athletes, physically active people), and applications (pre-, inter-, and post-event, or as part of a training regimen or rehabilitation program). Sports Massage emphasizes proper therapist mechanics, including working posture, proper table height, and effective client positioning to help improve the delivery of your technique and reduce strain to your arms, hands, and back. Highlighted in the text are tips on technique adjustments, and special “Client Talk” boxes offer suggestions for ways to communicate technical information to your clients. Throughout the text, self-test questions with answers allow you to check your understanding and reinforce your learning. In addition, a photo gallery index provides quick reference for checking techniques and their application. Organized for quick reference, Sports Massage explains massage modifications for common injuries and conditions and provides technical information to support your decision-making process. Information regarding contraindications and pathologies will prepare you to adapt your technique to accommodate a wide range of soft tissue conditions. In addition, discussion of equipment, hygiene, and safety considerations will help you be prepared for each therapy session. A discussion of client assessment and consultation will assist you in

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learning how to obtain the necessary information to address muscular issues during the therapy session. Sports Massage also discusses considerations in administering the technique to special populations, including individuals with spinal cord injuries, limb deficiencies and visual impairments, and cerebral palsy. In addition, you'll find information on conducting sports massage before, during, and after sporting events. Part science and part art, effective sports massage relies on a therapist's thoughtful application of knowledge and experience. Sport Massage provides a solid knowledge base, helping you learn how to work with your body efficiently and apply each technique with sensitivity. With its emphasis on correct body mechanics and effective client positioning, Sports Massage will help you improve your technique, reduce strain as you work, and provide a better quality of touch.

This is the eBook of the printed book and may not include any media, website access codes, or print supplements that may come packaged with the bound book. CLINICAL MASSAGE THERAPY, 1/e teaches effective therapeutic massage techniques that can prevent or eliminate multifaceted pain conditions, including chronic pain, sports injuries, and structural imbalance. Its unique 12-step approach focuses on treating specific conditions with techniques based on structural balance, bridging all touch therapy disciplines, and offering a new model for massage training. Detailed color illustrations reveal underlying pathologies, and flowcharts explain treatment steps. Massage students learn from Body Maps; Expert Opinion features; precautionary Alerts; clear

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Body Mechanics instructions; case studies, review questions, and a complete glossary. The text's multimodal and multidisciplinary approach makes it equally valuable to physical and occupational therapists, trainers, chiropractors, osteopaths, nurses, manipulative therapists, and physicians.

Massage is a basic skill within physiotherapy, and one which requires a high standard of practical application. It is a skill which is increasingly being taken up by other health care and complementary therapy professionals. This new, third edition of *Massage for Therapists* is a timely and thorough update which continues the tradition of Margaret Hollis' hands-on approach. The book is designed to be a step-by-step guide to the theory and practical application of classical massage. Once mastered, these techniques may form the basis for a variety of modifications suitable for specific conditions.

Massage for Therapists is split into three sections: an introduction to massage and preparation for giving a massage; the massage manipulations by area of the body; and some key modifications to the standard manipulations. In order to further enhance the practitioner's skill and to give the reader a grounding in some of the popular specialities, updated chapters on aromatherapy and massage in sport sit alongside new chapters which introduce myofascial release and shiatsu. *Massage for Therapists* will be of interest to student and qualified physiotherapists and sports therapists, as well as occupational therapists, chiropractors, osteopaths, nurses, complementary therapists and beauty therapists. • Practical, applied text • Thoroughly updated by subject experts

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- Illustrated throughout with photographs which support the explanations of the therapeutic application.

Therapeutic Stretching focuses on the use of both active and passive stretching as part of the rehabilitation of common musculoskeletal conditions and injuries. Covering all forms of stretches for the able-bodied, injured, and selected special populations, Therapeutic Stretching is a comprehensive resource for practitioners and students working in massage therapy, osteopathy, physical therapy, occupational therapy, rehabilitation, and personal and athletic training. With both active and passive stretches outlined for a range of musculoskeletal conditions and injuries, Therapeutic Stretching offers a range of rehabilitative stretches for the foot and ankle, knee and leg, hip and thigh, upper limb, shoulder, elbow, wrist, hand and fingers, and back and neck. Author Jane Johnson, a practicing physiotherapist, sport massage therapist, and body work instructor, provides information on incorporating passive stretching as a treatment option and selecting appropriate active stretches for clients to practice at home. Heavily illustrated with more than 230 color photos, Therapeutic Stretching provides excellent visual instruction on client positioning and the most effective handholds for the application of passive stretches to various joints and soft tissues. A user-friendly format, clear explanations of stretching techniques, and visual guidance from photos help students and practitioners readily incorporate these stretches into their practice. Therapeutic Stretching outlines the rationale for stretching after musculoskeletal injury

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along with general safety guidelines and an overview of the musculoskeletal conditions addressed in the text. Also included is a discussion of the differences between and applications of passive, active, and advanced forms of stretching such as muscle energy technique (MET) and soft tissue release (STR). Readers of Therapeutic Stretching will find a 10-step process for designing, implementing, and assessing a stretching program. The text discusses applications of therapeutic stretching for three special populations: elderly clients, pregnant women, and athletes. For each, a listing of common physiological factors or characteristics that might affect a stretching program is included, along with tips on modifications to employ when working with these individuals. Following this foundational information are three chapters with photos and descriptions of active and passive stretches for musculoskeletal injuries and conditions of the lower limbs, upper limbs, and trunk. Here readers will find stretches useful for treating injuries and conditions such as sprained ankles, shin splints, runner's knee, tight calves or hamstrings, adhesive capsulitis, lateral epicondylitis, stiff wrists, kyphosis, low back pain, stiff neck, and whiplash. Special Tip boxes throughout the text offer guidance on modifying the stretches and techniques to meet the needs of individual clients. Tables detail the passive and active stretches covered in each chapter and indicate whether a stretch is contraindicated for a particular injury or condition. Following most chapters are five Quick Questions that assist readers in gauging their understanding of the content. In addition, Therapeutic Stretching includes

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a visual guide to stretching routines that could be performed in the prone, supine, and seated positions. These suggested routines assist students and practitioners new to therapeutic stretching in learning to apply these stretches in an efficient manner and without excessive repositioning of the client. Therapeutic Stretching offers a range of stretches to assist both current and future practitioners in safely treating clients rehabilitating from musculoskeletal conditions and injuries. Delivering the most up-to-date stretching techniques, this guide is a valuable resource for professionals in health care, rehabilitation, fitness, and body work seeking tools to assist their clients in alleviating muscular pain, reducing joint stiffness, and speeding recovery from injury. Therapeutic Stretching is part of the Hands-On Guides for Therapists series, providing tools of assessment and treatment that fall well within the realm of massage therapists but may be useful for other body workers, such as osteopaths and fitness instructors. The guides include full-color instructional photographs, Tips sections that provide advice on adjusting massage techniques, Client Talk boxes that present ideas for creatively applying techniques for various types of clients, and questions that test knowledge and skill.

The text provides a useful overview of PNF stretching - safe and easy-to-use method that involves stretching the muscle, contracting it isometrically against resistance, then stretching it again to a new range of motion. Whether you're a fitness professional, therapist, coach, athlete, or student, Facilitated Stretching, Third Edition, will help you

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assess current muscle function, improve range of motion, increase strength, reduce overuse injuries, and enhance performance.

A complete home health guide for treating more than 150 common illnesses with the stimulation of acupressure points • Provides treatment points for conditions ranging from diabetes and heart problems to insomnia and stage fright • Offers a safe and effective alternative, or supplement, to standard allopathic medical treatment and pharmaceuticals A safe and effective technique for finding relief from pain and illness--be it a cold or flu, asthma or arthritis--is, quite literally, right at your fingertips. We have all experienced how the simple power of touch can bring such comfort and relief. Massaging specific healing points used in acupressure directs this powerful energy in a way that stimulates the body's own natural healing ability. Illustrated in full color, *The Encyclopedia of Healing Points* presents a complete guide for treating more than 150 diseases and disorders--from chronic conditions such as arthritis, diabetes, and heart problems to more minor problems such as tinnitus, insomnia, and stage fright. Each treatment protocol includes Dr. Dalet's guidance on how acupressure can best help the situation--whether it is capable of completely curing a condition or whether it should be used in conjunction with other healing modalities. A valuable resource for any home, the acupressure treatments presented in this book can

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provide immediate relief to pain and injuries as well as be used preventively. Most important, they offer an effective method of self-care and a way to provide comfort and relief to ailing loved ones--especially the delicate immune systems of children. In addition to the commonly known and prescribed acupuncture points, Dr. Dalet includes important new acupoints discovered by contemporary Chinese medical researchers that address ailments resulting from our more sedentary lifestyles and use of computers, such as obesity and eye strain. He also recommends the most effective options for stimulating the points, including devices for electrical stimulation.

"Massage mastery: from student to professional, presents the theory (why) and practice (how) of massage therapy in an engaging, accessible way for today's adult and young-adult learners. Chapters are organized into manageable topics that facilitate incorporation into any massage curriculum."--Publisher.

Ahhh! Discover the power of massage--from the inside out--in this unique reference book featuring seven styles of massage and enlightening anatomical illustrations. Massages energize, revitalize, and renew both body and spirit, and have even been proven to restore and promote good health. But to safely practice massage, you need to understand how the body works. Everyone from new students to experienced massage therapists can benefit from this unique

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book dedicated to the practice of massage. * The world of massage at your fingertips! This comprehensive book explores seven of the world's best-known styles of massage: Swedish, Fusion, Shiatsu, Thai, River Stone, Reflexology, and Reiki. * Massage Anatomy uniquely combines an understanding of the human body with different massage styles, making it an excellent resource for practitioners of all levels. * Detailed anatomical illustrations and approachable text demonstrate body planes, muscle groups, and crucial areas like the nervous and lymphatic systems. There is also a helpful reference section on massage terminology and a glossary of muscles. * Discover the ancient secrets practiced by Native Americans and Egyptians using warm stones that are applied to the body. Feel the “spirit life force” of reiki, a centuries-old Japanese technique used to promote peace and well-being. And find out how to combine Swedish, deep-tissue, and sports massage techniques for a fabulous massage fusion. * Next to strong hands, this comprehensive guide book is a massage therapist's most important tool--an invaluable resource for new students and experienced therapists alike. * Includes poster of massage techniques and muscle systems. Hot stone massage is a unique variant of massage therapy that employs heated stones to release physical tension and calm the nervous system. The stones' warmth and weight help the recipient focus more intently on the massage, and to

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be more receptive to its benefits. This superb introduction explains everything about this ancient healing practice, from which stones to choose (color, smoothness, shape, and mineral content matter) to which strokes to use. Along with attractive instructional photos throughout, there's information on setting up the massage, working different parts of the body, stimulating the chakra points, and alleviating specific symptoms—including muscular aches, back pain, arthritis, circulatory problems, and insomnia.

This significantly revised new edition features an easy-to-use format that provides basic theory and assessment of neuromuscular conditions followed by an extensive overview of techniques specific to deep tissue massage Ñ including trigger point therapy, friction techniques, myofascial techniques, and stretching. Step-by-step treatment routines for the 22 most commonly encountered neuromuscular conditions are clearly outlined using detailed descriptions and illustrations side-by-side. Downloadable assessment forms and 90-minutes of video on proper deep tissue massage techniques are included on the companion Evolve website. Excellent organization and standard layout for each condition makes information easy to find and follow. Step-by-step routines for treatment of conditions are outlined using clear descriptions and illustrations side-by-side. Coverage of the most common techniques includes trigger point therapy, friction

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techniques, myofascial techniques, and stretching to give you an excellent base from which to start incorporating deep tissue massage into massage practice. Full color art program features a visually striking design with vibrant photos and illustrations that appeal to visual learners. Pedagogical features include learning objectives, key terms, and an end-of-book glossary to help you focus on key content. Appendices provide key resources on trigger points and pain referral patterns, indications/contraindications for deep tissues massage, and blank assessment forms for use in practice. Student resources on Evolve companion website provide downloadable assessment forms and videos of deep tissue techniques. NEW! 4-color art program features all new photos of the best techniques, body mechanics, and draping to better illustrate content. NEW! 90 minutes of video on the Evolve companion website vividly demonstrate the proper techniques needed to master deep tissue massage. NEW! Expanded coverage of theory and assessment gives you the background you need on documentation, techniques, and assessments before you begin learning how to perform deep tissue massage. NEW! Anatomic illustrations provide a refresher on pertinent anatomy right before the book heads into treatment coverage to reinforce the essential relationship between anatomy and proper massage. NEW! Expert reviewers, including Joe Muscolino, Sandy Fritz, and more, ensure

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material is accurate and appropriate for courses on deep tissue. NEW! Author Jeffrey Simancek, former Curriculum Manager for Corinthian and current massage educator, brings extensive career school teaching and curriculum experience to the book.

"Focusing on practical application of deep tissue therapy, Deep Tissue Massage Treatment provides clear, "how-to" instructions for assessment and treatment. The most commonly used techniques are covered, including trigger point therapy, friction techniques, myofascial techniques, and stretching." -back cover. Sports Performance Massage instructs the student and practising therapist to use a combination of experience and scientific evidence to inform their sports massage practice, particularly when working with athletic populations. Strength and conditioning coaches, managers and athletes frequently ask questions about the best use of sports massage in order to recover quicker from injury and fatigue and improve performance. Sports Performance Massage empowers the therapist and gives them greater confidence by improving their scientific understanding when working with injured or competitive athletes. The exciting new volume covers all the aspects required to make a highly skilled, confident and employable sports massage therapist. Working with high-level athletes requires an additional skill level compared to working with the general public.

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Furthermore, advanced massage skills taught in this book, such as soft tissue release and trigger point therapy, are essential when working on muscular adhesions and injured areas. Pregnant athletes, those with disabilities, contraindications and athletes with special requirements have also been considered. Sports Performance Massage is a learning and research aid for those studying vocational sports massage courses as well as those studying other courses where massage forms part of the undergraduate and postgraduate degree, such as sports therapy, sports rehabilitation, osteopathy and physiotherapy. Unlike other sports massage books, Sports performance Massage has a strong academic focus, allowing the graduate therapist to stay up to date with the latest research in their respective field.

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Returning to the Void came into manifestation per the request of Hohepa Delamere, alias Papa Joe, who is a widely known and highly respected Maori elder and healer from New Zealand. Together with other healers he came to the USA and also to Europe to help opele outside his home soil. Their tremendous success abroad has been a result of successfully addressing the whole being instead of just treating symptoms, and in that way, achieving hundreds of "miracle healings". In June 2005 Papa Joe met Iris Loesel in California and asked her to help preserve Maori knowledge by writing about it. Iris, who was new to Maori healing, was given a spiritual transfer of knowledge by Papa Joe and by that was enabled to channel this book. The final text was read and approved by Papa Joe. This is the first of a series of books about Papa Joe and his teachings on Maori wisdom and healing.

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Experience the Healing Power of Massage With more than 650,000 copies sold, The Book of Massage is the classic guide to the relaxing and healing skills of the hands. Featuring both Eastern and Western methods, it presents step-by-step, beautifully illustrated instructions on everything from traditional massage to shiatsu and reflexology. The Book of Massage offers easy-to-follow techniques for giving the perfect massage, including advice on creating the right setting and suggestions for using aromatic oils and lotions. In the comfort of your own home, you can Soothe away stress and tension Develop your body's unique healing powers Banish headaches and back pain Share the language of touch Experience optimum health and vitality Now revised and updated with fresh color photos and drawings throughout, The Book of Massage is a simple and comprehensive handbook that reveals how you can experience the myriad benefits of giving and receiving a soothing massage.

Avoid the injury, muscle strain, fatigue and burnout that can shorten your career as a bodywork practitioner! This easy-to-use reference develops the skills you need to foster ease of movement and decrease your chance of injury. These skills, including self-assessment, life-style choices, body awareness and mechanics, balanced posture, efficient breathing, self-care habits, and injury prevention, give you the foundation you need to ensure that you are not putting undue strain on your own body. You'll learn how to maintain proper body mechanics and how to integrate wellness, self-care, and nutrition into your practice.

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Featuring more than 250 full-color illustrations and photographs, Therapeutic Chair Massage offers detailed instructions on the appropriate massage strokes, stretching techniques, and therapeutic routines to use in seated massage for both relaxation and specific therapeutic applications. The book also provides foundational information on equipment, hygiene, sanitation, safety, contraindications, communication and documentation, body mechanics, and establishing a seated massage business. Each chapter includes hands-on Experiential Exercises; Case Studies with critical thinking questions; Clinical Tips from the author's experience; and Of Special Interest Boxes that contain related and interesting information. Contraindications lists specify conditions that prohibit or limit the use of a particular stroke or technique.

"Step-by-Step Massage Therapy Protocols for Common Conditions" is intended to give massage therapy students and practitioners the knowledge and confidence to work safely with clients who have medical conditions. The text provides practical, thorough protocols to help therapists support their clients while steering them away from doing any harm.

This is the first book on Ortho-Bionomy, a bodywork technique which is quickly gaining popularity among laypeople and therapists from all bodywork disciplines. Kathy Kain gives clear descriptions of the philosophy and concepts of Ortho-Bionomy. The illustrations and easy to understand technical instructions show the standard releases taught in Ortho-Bionomy classes. The student is guided from the beginning of a session

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to the end in learning this gentle, effective approach to somatic re-education. Ortho-Bionomy's primary benefit lies in helping people to break the cycle of pain by learning how to correct structural and somatic dysfunction and to release stress. This noninvasive, quick acting approach is an effective preparation for mobilization, movement and therapeutic exercise.

Use massage to help your dog relax, to condition the canine athlete, to assist in recovery from injuries or to ease chronic pain. Learn the techniques of a recognized expert in the field so that you can bring the well-known benefits of massage to your own dog or become a canine massage specialist. New edition has over 100 illustrations and 100 photos, detailed examinations of muscular stress points, diagnoses and treatments. You will learn the basics of canine anatomy and kinesiology; massage movements, pressures, techniques and systems; routines designed to address specific health problems; stretching and hydrotherapy techniques; tips on how to run a canine massage business, and more. Excellent source of information on dog anatomy as well.

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