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For
Hypnotherapy Practitioner Level Training

Welcome and thank you for your interest in the HypnoPerth professional practitioner level training in hypnotherapy.

My name is John Moonie, and I am the owner and Course Director for HypnoPerth which was established in 2002. Whether or not you elect to become a practising hypnotherapist following this course, my intention is to give you a life-changing interest and enthusiasm for using hypnosis for the great benefit of your clients, your friends and your family.

My belief is that this course affords you the best chance of

- Learning proven and effective techniques from trainers with practical daily experience of helping clients successfully with many different problems and opportunities.
- Focusing on specific main problems clients present you with from smoking to weight control to anxiety and depression. How to deal with them and how to offer your solution to the public.
- Using a wide variety of hypnotherapy techniques – not just suggestion therapy. Other Trainers may advertise Introductory and Advanced courses. This one covers both.
- Gaining experience of advanced, analytical techniques to keep therapy both short and powerful, using psychotherapy, Ericksonian approaches, guided imagery, age regression and revelation processes.
- Keeping a practical balance with the theoretical, with a high emphasis on actual clinical ability and involvement.
- Acquiring working NLP skills to enhance your dealings with clients and the effectiveness of your hypnosis.
- Learning the part other courses can miss out – selling and marketing. Apart from being technically competent and being a great therapist it’s all for nothing if no one knows about you and no one pays for your services. Where therapists fail, it’s mainly in this department. We want you to win in therapy and in business.
- Good advice about setting up in business – maybe for the first time. Learn from our mistakes, not yours.
- Acquiring a respected qualification, which you can use in your correspondence and advertising. Gaining recognition by the General Hypnotherapy Standards Council and becoming a registered therapist with opportunities to advertise and obtain indemnity and public liability insurance as a practising professional. You now also have the option of acquiring registration with the CNHC – Council for Complementary and Natural Healthcare, subject to GHR registration first.

"The Practitioner Level Course offered by HypnoPerth has been Assessed and Validated at Practitioner Level by The General Hypnotherapy Standards Council (UK). Graduates from the course are eligible for professional registration with The General Hypnotherapy Register (the GHSC’s registering agency), together with the acquisition of the industry-based award - The General Qualification in Hypnotherapy Practice (GQHP)."

GHSC Practitioner Level VALIDATED TRAINING
Hypnotherapy Qualifications:

Successful completion of certificated course in Clinical Hypnotherapy and Hypnoanalysis on 17 July 2002.

**HPD** – Hypnotherapy Practitioner Diploma - a National Council for Education (Ncfe) award under the auspices of the National Council for Hypnotherapy (NCH).

**SQHP** – Senior Qualification in Hypnotherapy Practice issued and validated by the General Hypnotherapy Standards Council.

**GHR(Reg.)** Registered with the General Hypnotherapy register – No. 690.

**NHR** - Registered with the National Hypnotherapy Register.

Practice:

John has been in successful full-time hypnotherapy practice for over 10 years and has helped a wide variety of people and their presenting problems. This has ranged from fairly simple habits like smoking and overeating to more complex issues such as depression, insomnia, anxiety and phobias. He has also handled the more positive aspects like improving performance in sports or business with a combination of hypnotherapy and life coaching.

John has a strong commercial background as a senior IT project and personnel manager from which he brings a variety of skills and resources. He is aware of the stresses of working life and how these affect people in business. This broad experience also includes a good knowledge of how computers and the internet can help with marketing and selling.

He has received referrals from Perth Royal Infirmary and local GPs for smoking, weight, pain control and a variety of issues including anxieties and depression. John carries out voluntary work for Perth Association for Mental Health at regular intervals and has been appointed as a peer support group facilitator for Perth and Kinross area for the General Hypnotherapy Standards Council.
**Outline Course Programme.**

The course consists of modules which build confidence and knowledge successively by balancing theory and practice.

**Home study**

Prior to starting the practical course and its modules, the student is given advice on reading and audio CD assignments to gain understanding of hypnosis and hypnotherapy in advance, if needed. This is pitched at the appropriate level given lack of practical experience at this stage. At regular intervals throughout the duration of the course, including the practical element students are expected to balance their practical intake and experience with the theory. Time shown reflects the total expected number of hours needed to do this overall.

*Estimate 120 hours*

**Classroom/Personal Tuition**

Week 1 – note that in all modules practical examples and demonstrations will be in use, where appropriate, to balance theory.

**Module 1 - Introduction**

**Contents**

- General Review and discussion of pre-course study assignments.
- What is Hypnosis? What is Hypnotherapy?
- Overview of the history of hypnosis and mesmerism.
- Susceptibility to hypnosis and measurement of depth symptoms.
- Your motivation for being a therapist
- Principles of Good Practice per National Occupational Standards (CNHC)
- Basic hypnosis – practical session
- Legal implications.

**Module 2- Session Structure and Practice**

**Contents**

- First contact form – client background. Computer considerations; Data protection
- Listening skills
- Actual vs presenting symptoms; the “Columbo moment”
- Diagnostic trance
- Testing for susceptibility – informal and formal
- Estimating numbers of sessions
- Induction, deepening, ego enhancement, therapy and alerting.
- Post-hypnotic suggestions in therapy.

**Module 3- Induction and Deepening – the Power of Suggestion**

**Contents**

- Gaining client rapport and trust, matching and mirroring; first session considerations
- NLP - Eye movement and internal unconscious input
- VAKOG (Visual, Auditory, Kinaesthetic, Olfactory and Gustatory) – the senses
- Conscious output vs unconscious input.
- Hypnotic induction by suggestion. Eye roll, breathing, progressive relaxation, imagery
- Role of scripts
- Matching client’s primary VAK system to induction
- Alerting the client. Complications.
- Post-session feedback. Preparing client for next session.
- When to use these techniques
- Feedback forms

Week 1 continued...../
Module 4 - Distraction, Overload, Indirect Suggestion and Ericksonian Hypnotherapy

Contents
- The role of belief, distraction and conscious overload in hypnosis
- Confusional method
- Therapist confidence
- How clients are already hypnotised by their problems
- Ericksonian hypnotherapy
- Ericksonian - basic induction and practical

Module 5 – Direct versus Indirect Methods; Gynaecological and Sexual Problems

Contents
- Ericksonian principles – how this fits with previous methods and NLP
- Goal of therapy. Conscious and unconscious minds revisited.
- Direct and indirect suggestion.
- Waking hypnosis
- Metaphor and story-telling. Ericksonian scripts and pitfalls. Use of language which clients can relate to.
- Guest speaker - Gynaecological and sexual problems.

Module 6 – More Advanced Techniques; Psychotherapy with Hypnosis

Contents
- Role of psychotherapy with hypnosis
- Psychodynamic therapy – ideomotor signalling
- Sensory focusing and age regression/progression
- Past Life Regression - how to do it - is it useful?
- Resolving problematic unconscious memories; expression of blocked emotion
- Conditioned Reflex - helping the client move from puzzlement to solution
- Self-hypnosis – key skill for recovery and result stability

End of week 1 - 55 hours
Module 7 – Addictions and appetite disorders

Contents
- The psychology of addiction. Understanding basic personality types
- Smoking cessation – “single session wonders” – when is it misleading? Why smokers fail in their intentions. Post session support
- Weight loss or control – appetite disorders – typical underlying reasons
- Gastric band and aversion hypnosis for overeating and snacking (important)
- Alcohol and drug addiction – who to treat and who needs other types of assistance

Module 8 – Anxiety, Depression, Fears and Phobias

Contents
- Anxiety, Phobia Defined. What is a phobia? How did it get there?
- Work-related Stress. From “rust-out” to “burn-out”.
- Specific phobias, social phobias and agoraphobia
- Depression – care in approaches and treatment. Contra-indications
- OCD and PTSD
- Dreams – interpretation and therapeutic interventions
- Typical successful therapy programme for anxiety based problems
- Insomnia – relation to anxiety and stress

Module 9 – CBT, Pain and Healing

Contents
- Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT)
- General approach to pain and medical conditions. Medical and dental personnel liaison
- Hypnotic analgesia and anaesthesia
- Medical and Surgical applications. Obstetrics and gynaecology. Injuries. Miscellaneous illnesses and complaints.
- Imagery, Relaxation, Distraction, Time distortion, Dissociation, Suggestion
- Self-hypnosis role in pain reduction or elimination.
- Importance of follow-up, monitoring and tracking progress.

Module 10 – Other problems and Performance Issues

Contents
- Hypnotherapy for children. Professional and legal obligations
- Psychosexual problems, jealousy and relationships
- Speech and language – stammering and stuttering
- Nervous habits and tics
- Exam anxiety
- Sports performance improvement
- Business skills and performance

Week 2 continued...../
Module 11 – Marketing, Selling, Insurance, Running a Business

Contents
- Where to run your practice – from home, mobile or somewhere else?
- Public Liability and Indemnity Insurance
- Packaging your services and what to charge
- Brochures, Business Cards, Leaflets, Newsletters
- Presentations and Lectures
- Referrals
- Using your own website to generate up to 60% of your income. Selling (E-commerce) online. Why this can be one of your cheapest and best sources of clients and income.
- Creating your own CDs for sale or for use with clients.
- Advertising on vehicles

Module 12 – Advanced techniques and NLP

Contents
- Parts therapy
- Fast Induction stop smoking example and practical.
- Practical Sessions - addressing ‘sides of the body’.

Module 13 – Advanced techniques continued

Contents
- Conversational Inductions and treatment
- Revision practice and remedy of aspects covered so far
- Guest speaker on setting up a hypnotherapy practice.
- Briefing re Case Studies, Dissertations and Final Exam.

End of week 2 - 65 hours

Case Studies
(Elapsed time about 2 months)
Students use knowledge gained on course to do a minimum of 8 case studies, fully documented with case histories on friends or family and other volunteers. Estimated average 3 sessions each, requiring 1 hour for admin, 1 hour preparation, 2 hours for the session and a further 1 hour for documentation.

120 hours

Dissertation
Student completes a dissertation of not less than 2000 words (around 4 pages of A4 text) on what motivates them to become a professional hypnotherapist, what aspects of the course have interested them most and what they feel they can uniquely offer to prospective clients. From case studies what they found to be successful and how they can reinforce these skills. Also what was less successful and what avenues of research they can take to redress the balance.

20 hours

Final Exam
Preparation for and answering of the final exam (open book exam) paper.

70 hours

Total estimated course time – 450 hours
What you learn and what skills you acquire on this course.

- Hypnosis and hypnotherapy defined. Historical background and present day situation.
- The purpose of hypnotherapy. How to identify what clients need and want.
- Practice set-up and marketing. Selling the services you offer through personal contact, telephone, website and other media. Get clients to come to you in the first place. Making a success of your business and your therapy.
- Hypnotherapy and Regulation – what this entails now and in future.
- The law and hypnosis.
- Therapy room set-up.
- How to set up a credible treatment plan for each client. Knowing what clients really want vs. what they may say they want. Client goal-setting and measurement. Case notes – how to take and format.
- Counselling and coaching skills – it’s not all about hypnosis.
- Various means of helping clients enter a useful state of hypnosis (induction).
- How to deepen an initial state of hypnosis. Depth testing – signs and symptoms.
- Scripts – publicly available, course-specific and how to write your own.
- Ego enhancement and confidence building in your client.
- The role of NLP (Neuro-Linguistic Programming) with hypnotherapy –
  - Eye movement interpretation (unconscious input) – use in diagnosis and treatment. Gaining rapport quickly and effectively.
  - What/how is the client trying to tell you? Conscious output speech patterns
  - Mirroring/matching client behaviour – increase rapport and your effectiveness
  - Use of Milton and Meta Models to achieve trance state – direct and indirect suggestion
  - Ericksonian scripts and approach relative to NLP
  - Use of anchors
  - Parts therapy
  - Dissociation
  - The “fast phobia cure” – the rewind technique. Uses and limitations.
  - Waking hypnosis
  - Use of metaphors in induction and treatments
  - Diagnostic trance technique – valuable when the client’s problem is vaguely defined.
- Advanced techniques of hypnotherapy –
  - Age regression (various methods) to get to the root cause of the problem. False memory syndrome.
  - Past Life Regression. Fact or Fiction? Does it matter?
  - Ideomotor signalling
  - Use of some Cognitive Behavioural (CBT) techniques for anxiety and depression, etc.
  - Revelation techniques and guided imagery.
  - Handling abreactions (abnormal emotional reactions).
  - How to deal with problems of ending the session.
  - Pain and a number of different techniques to banish or alleviate it.
  - Resistance and transference.
  - Hypnotherapy and psychotherapy
  - Teaching self-hypnosis and handouts for clients.

Deal with specific client problems and applications of hypnotherapy

- Habits, dependencies
  - Stop Smoking
  - Weight Control & Appetite disorders e.g. bulimia, anorexia nervosa
  - Alcohol and Drugs
  - Nail-biting
  - Cheek-biting
  - Hair-pulling (trichotillomania)
- Psychosomatic problems
  - Asthma, dermatological complaints, IBS, headaches, hypertension, tinnitus, urinary incontinence.
- Pain – chronic and acute. Various methods of relief and monitoring/controlling
  - Use of self-hypnosis in pain control, handouts for clients.
  - Hypnosis and cancer
- Obstetrics and gynaecology
• Pregnancy
  o Preparation for labour and delivery
  o Gynaecological conditions, e.g. PMT, dysmenorrhea

• Dental Hypnosis
  o Pain control
  o Control of bleeding
  o Bruxism (teeth-grinding)
  o Gagging
  o TMJ (tempero-mandibular joint) problems
  o Needle phobia
  o Anxiety and phobia of dental treatments

• Anxiety, fears, panic attacks, phobias
  o Recognition and treatment of various types of anxiety
  o Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder
  o Insomnia
  o Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
  o 3 main classifications of phobias and their treatments

• Depression, Psychosexual problems, Stuttering and Stammering, Tics

• Hypnosis in Personal, Sports and Business Performance
• Children’s hypnosis
Qualification obtained. Membership entitlements.

On successful completion of the course, the graduate is
- Awarded a diploma certifying successful completion, signed by the course director
- Is entitled to use the letters Dip.AH (Diploma in Analytical Hypnotherapy)
- Is entitled to apply to the General Hypnotherapy Standards Council which will award a General Qualification in Hypnotherapy practice (GQHP), provided certain conditions are met. You may register with the General Hypnotherapy Register.
- Subject to GHR membership and confirmation you will be eligible to use fast-track application (Route 1) for CNHC (Council for Complementary and Natural Healthcare) registration –see registration procedure on [http://www.cnhc.org.uk/](http://www.cnhc.org.uk/)
- Guaranteed 6 months’ post-graduate support via e-mail or telephone in dealing with clients
- Will be eligible for practitioner insurance for Professional Indemnity, Public Liability and Legal Defence Costs.

Code of Ethics.

Graduates and practitioners are expected to abide by the GHSC code of ethics to maintain a professional image of hypnotherapy, the training school and the GHSC.

Diplomates who fail to adhere to this Code may have their qualification rescinded and will also be subject to GHSC disciplinary action. The school’s philosophy on this subject is that standards must be maintained at a very high level to gain and keep public confidence in hypnotherapy and that practitioners observe the Code of Ethics as a matter of first priority.

Complaints procedure

This is precisely the same as the GHR procedure, as documented on the website at [http://www.general-hypnotherapy-register.com/](http://www.general-hypnotherapy-register.com/)

If complaints are made about a therapist, depending on the severity they may be dealt with locally by the training school, but if beyond relatively minor may be referred to the GHR for further consideration and/or action.

CNHC procedures (if you elect to register) are primarily to protect the public (clients) and the Council has a complaints procedure which may be inspected on [http://www.cnhc.org.uk/](http://www.cnhc.org.uk/)
### Reading List

#### Recommended/Mandatory

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<td>“Hartlands Medical and Dental Hypnosis” (Edition 4) **</td>
<td>Michael Heap and Kottiyyattil K. Aravind</td>
<td>Churchill Livingstone</td>
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<td>“Hypnotherapy Scripts – A Neo-Ericksonian Approach to Persuasive Healing” (Edition 2) **</td>
<td>Ronald A. Havens and Catherine Walters</td>
<td>Brunner-Routledge</td>
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<td>“NLP Workbook” **</td>
<td>Joseph O’Connor</td>
<td>Thorsons</td>
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<td>“Monsters and Magical Sticks” (There’s No Such Thing As Hypnosis?) **</td>
<td>Steve Heller, Ph.D. &amp; Terry Steele</td>
<td>New Falcon</td>
<td>1-56184-026-2</td>
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<td>“Marketing for Complementary Therapists”</td>
<td>Steven A. Harold</td>
<td>howtobooks</td>
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#### Optional............

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<td>“My Voice Will Go With You”– The Teaching Tales of Milton H. Erickson</td>
<td>Edited by Sidney Rosen</td>
<td>W. W. Norton</td>
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<td>Scripts Strategies in Hypnotherapy</td>
<td>Roger P. Allen Dp Hyp PsyV</td>
<td>Crownhouse Publishing Limited</td>
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<td>“Fear Busting”</td>
<td>Pete Cohen</td>
<td>Element</td>
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<td>“Feel the Fear and Do It Anyway”</td>
<td>Dr. Susan Jeffers</td>
<td>Arrow</td>
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<td>“You Can heal Your Life”</td>
<td>Louise L. Hay</td>
<td>Eden Grove</td>
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**Assessment**

Is by –
- Continuous assessment on the classroom/practical element of the course
- Marked dissertation post-course
- Assessed case studies
- Marked final examination

**Admissions Criteria**

The main qualifications are a genuine desire to help others and willingness to learn
If you already possess a professional qualification in the field of medicine, psychology, dentistry, nursing care, complementary therapy, etc., this will enrich your existing experience and knowledge
Where there is any doubt that a candidate will not be able to cope with the theoretical or practical demands of the course, the course director reserves the right to select or reject applications accordingly
The course is open on an equal basis.

**Admissions Procedure**

1. Please complete and return the Course Application Form (online from the website or via post).
2. Subject to admissions criteria, you will be informed of your suitability for the course.
3. At the discretion of the Course Director you may be interviewed by telephone or in person.
4. If accepted, you will be informed and notified of the next available course date along with request for booking deposit.

**Costs**

The course fee (see website for up to date details) includes:-

Delivery of the practical element of the course; lectures, supervision and any guest lecturer’s time.
Course handouts and CDs. Stationery required during the practical element of the course.
Coffee, tea, lunch (note special dietary requirements are catered for).

The course fee does **not** include:-
Membership fee for the General Hypnotherapy Register or other professional bodies, since you may elect to practise professionally, or not and similarly membership of CNHC.
Practitioner Insurance premium required if you decide to offer hypnotherapy services to the public.
Transport or accommodation.
Cancellation insurance should you elect to take this.