



## Bobath Interest Group

A practice based subgroup of the Neurosciences Division of the CPA.

This subgroup is being established to meet the needs of Canadian therapists (physiotherapists, occupational therapists and rehabilitation assistants) practicing or interested in the Bobath Concept.

### **Bobath Interest Group purpose:**

- To develop a network to facilitate discussion and peer support for occupational therapists, physiotherapists, and rehabilitation assistants practicing the Bobath Concept.
- To contribute to research pertaining to the Bobath Concept.
- To contribute to establishing post graduate clinical education needs across Canada.
- Development of a bursary program to facilitate participation in post graduate education and clinical research with respect to the Bobath Concept.
- To link therapists to the Canadian Bobath Instructors Association (CBIA).

### **Proposed Bobath Interest Group activities:**

- Establishment of local practice groups.
- Literature search and sharing of current research, through members via the BIG web page.
- Provide an avenue to share educational needs with CBIA instructors.
- Provide support for the promotion of the Bobath concept as an evidence based treatment approach in clinical settings.

### **Membership requirements:**

In order to join Bobath Interest Group,

- Physiotherapists and rehabilitation assistants who are members of the Neurosciences Division (NSD) of the Canadian Physiotherapy Association.
- Occupational therapists must be a member of their professional organisation.
- Physiotherapists and occupational therapists should have completed a CBIA or NDTA introductory level/human movement course.
- Rehabilitation assistants should have completed the CBIA course "An Introduction to the Bobath Concept for the Health Care Worker"

At present there are no membership fees.

More information may be found on the BIG web site at [www.bobathcanada.com](http://www.bobathcanada.com) or by contacting one of our committee members.

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If you are a Therapist who is currently interested in the Bobath Concept and looking for an opportunity to find out more and network with others with a similar interest this may be the group for you.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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