Synopsis

Bridging the gap between human physical therapy and veterinary medicine, Canine Rehabilitation and Physical Therapy, 2nd Edition provides vets, veterinary students, and human physical therapists with traditional and alternative physical therapy methods to effectively evaluate and treat dogs with various debilitating conditions. Coverage includes treatment protocols for many types of cutaneous, neurologic, and musculoskeletal injuries to facilitate a faster and more complete recovery. "Overall, this book is an extensive text for anyone interested in pursuing canine rehabilitation and physical therapy" Reviewed by: Helen Davies, University of Melbourne on behalf of Australian Veterinary Journal, March 2015

Invaluable protocols for conservative and postoperative treatment ensure the successful healing of dogs and their return to full mobility. Printable medical record forms on the companion website, including client information worksheets, referral forms, orthopedic evaluation forms, and more, can be customized for your veterinary practice. Six completely updated chapters on exercising dogs define the basic principles of aquatic and land-based exercise and how they may be applied to dogs, as well as how physical therapy professionals can adapt common "human" exercises to dogs. Numerous chapters on therapeutic modalities, including therapeutic lasers, illustrate how physical therapy professionals can adapt common "human" modalities to dogs. Physical examination chapters offer comprehensive information on orthopedics, neurology, and rehabilitation. NEW! Companion website with 40 narrated video clips of modalities and exercises used by physical therapists demonstrates effective ways to treat various neurologic and musculoskeletal problems in dogs. NEW! Fourteen new chapters describe the latest advances in the areas of joint mobilization, rehabilitation of the athletic patient, biomechanics of rehabilitation, therapeutic lasers, and physical therapy for wound care.

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This new edition is well worth the purchase, whether you have a special interest in rehabilitation or are in a general small animal practice. It’s wonderfully thorough, and has added much to the previous edition. I have every canine rehab text, and while they’re all complementary to each other, this is the most comprehensive one. The layout is easy to follow and they have added good coverage of basic physical therapy concepts- very helpful to me as a DVM. The authors have made all of these concepts clear and easy to apply to the variety of patients we see. It’s a really helpful, enjoyable resource to have on hand.

Finally I feel like I can consult a book that will give the normal and the pathological progression in a scientific manner that describes what I am seeing in my patients. This helps me understand the cause of the pathology that need rehabilitation. The book also has suggested therapies with details on the science of physical therapy. It makes it easy to establish a differential diagnosis, a differential cause list, and potential non harmful therapy methods. I am excited about having this much information in one reference as I am trying to find the best options for my patients. It also describes various medications that have been tried in these cases. Kudos to the authors for such a practical tool to benefit practicing veterinarians, pet owners, vet students, and anyone trying to bring the benefits of physical therapy to our animal friends.

I’m a physical therapist who walks dogs at our local humane society. I am going to start working with a few dogs on a volunteer basis. This is an excellent reference book and a good resource for all canine PT. It’s fun to see some of our treatments used on dogs. Ex. dogs on a ball.

Excellent reference in canine rehabilitation. Well organized chapters and subjects. Best all around reference out there that includes all aspects and subjects of canine rehabilitation. If you must have one rehab book in your shelf, this is it. Companion site has excellent videos showing exercises and forms for the initial and daily evaluation of rehab patient. Congratulations to the authors and all the contributors, it was worth to wait for this book.
This book is a helpful adjunct to the coursework for Canine Rehab. Well laid out. Good appendices to help with treatment plans. For veterinary professionals clearly.

A well written book with organized chapters, charts and images. The authors talk you through exams and physical therapy exercises. The extra online material enhances the learning with therapeutic exercise videos, and appendix. It is worth having in your own or clinic’s reference library.

This book is invaluable for incorporating canine rehab into a veterinary practice. It offers excellent guidelines and protocol suggestions for most orthopedic and neurologic issues. 

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