



CERTIFIED PADOVAN[®] THERAPIST

TRAINING PROGRAM

This document details the Certified Training Program for Therapists in the *Padovan® Method*. We only accept trained healthcare professionals onto the *Padovan Training Program*. Proof of qualification must be supplied prior to the start of the course.

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THERAPIST TRAINING

In this document, *Pró Sinapse* details the requirements and training steps in the *Therapist Training Program* for healthcare professionals to practice the *Padovan® Method* of Neurofunctional Organization.

- ABOUT THE TRAINING PROGRAM

The *Padovan® Method Training Program* currently includes:

- **Five Sequential modules**, identified as I to V, each lasting four days.
- **Two Practical Revision modules for Modules I and II**, each lasting two days.
 - ❖ Between Modules II and V, the trainee must attend a further two practices:
 - Session Observation**: Observe a minimum of ten therapy sessions at a *Padovan® Clinic* or with an authorized Therapist (*).
 - Therapy Experience**: Attend a minimum of ten therapy sessions as a patient at a *Padovan® Clinic* or with an authorized Therapist (*).
 - ❖ To begin Module V, the trainee must have provided a video of a therapy session two months before the start date of Module V. The video must be a complete, unedited therapy session and include the patient. A clinical description of the case must also be provided, as well as patient permission to use and reproduce images (for academic purposes).

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1 REQUIREMENTS

- Degree in healthcare with clinical practice.
- University healthcare student, having completed a minimum of 50% of the course.

In the event that a trainee fails to send proof of qualification, *Pró Sinapse* has the right to refuse participation in the course.

2 STAGES

Module I: *Padovan*® *Method* theory and physical exercise practice.

Module II: Oral functions and rehabilitation of oral functions. Theory and practice.

Module III: Specific exercises for changes in occlusion and articulation of phonemes. Theory and practice.

Module IV: Study of the senses, sensory motor integration, learning disorders, and invasive developmental disorders.

Module V: Deepening understanding of the neurological and practical aspects of the *Padovan*® *Method*

Module I Practical Revision: Revision. Physical exercise practice in-depth.

Module II Practical Revision: Revision. Oral exercise practice in-depth.

Session Observation: Attend a minimum of ten sessions.

Therapy Experience: Attend a minimum of ten sessions.

Final assessment video: This video concludes the assessment of the trainee. We may suggest redoing relevant modules if further training is needed to reach the required level of knowledge and technique for certification.

- The cost to assess each submitted video is met by the trainee (should put cost here)

3 QUALIFICATION

On successful completion of the *Padovan® Certified Training Program*, as described above, the trainee will be qualified to:

- Treat patients holistically
- Formally promote services as a *Padovan® therapist*
 - ❖ Formal promotion of services as a trained *Padovan® therapist* is only permitted on successful completion of the course
 - ❖ During the course, trainees should not practice the technique beyond their current level of training. They must inform all patients that they are still training and are not yet certified.

4 DOCUMENTATION

- The trainee will receive a certificate on successfully completing each module.
- The trainee will receive a *Padovan® Therapist Diploma* on successfully completing all modules.

Note that:

- Therapists wanting to continue study of the *Padovan Method* may join our continuing education program *Extended Certification Program*
 - ❖ Note that continuing education is optional and does not affect the rights of certified therapists to practice this method. For those interested, we have a form explaining the stages and details of the *Extended Certification Program*

Important Note:

(*) On completing Module V we may authorize selected new therapists to be observed and to practice the method on new trainees. In these cases, the selected therapists are automatically approved and invited to start the *Extended Certification Program*. These same therapists can also have their names included on the *Pró Sinapse* recommended list and on the official *Padovan® Method* website.