

Factsheet regarding the specialization and education in Orthopedic Manual Therapy (OMT)

svomp

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svomp – Who we are

The Swiss Association for Orthopaedic Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy (svomp) is a union of specialised experts in the field of manual/musculoskeletal physiotherapy. svomp is a member organisation of the International Federation of manual physiotherapy (IFOMPT) who accredits internationally recognised training programmes in Switzerland. Students who graduated from one of the Swiss accredited programmes are allowed to carry the professional title 'PT OMTsvomp®' or may call themselves manual therapists 'PT OMTsvomp®' as long as they respond to the criteria set by IFOMPT.

PT OMT svomp® - How to achieve the title

Svomp awards the title OMTsvomp® on behalf of the international umbrella organisation for manual/musculoskeletal physiotherapy (IFOMPT). OMT programmes exist at several universities of applied sciences in Switzerland, where the OMTsvomp® title can be acquired in master courses (MSc) and via the path of further education (MAS). IFOMPT sets high quality standards based on latest practical and scientific research results. OMTsvomp® therapists commit themselves to work according to the highest quality standards.

PT OMT svomp® - How to keep the title

Lifelong Learning is one of the most important criteria to hold and keep the certified title. Every three years, members who would like to keep their title OMTsvomp® are required to submit a list presenting their activities so that svomp can check and accept the physiotherapists inclusion into the registry. Holding further training courses, moderating or participating in quality circles, attending congresses or giving presentations themselves will give a number of points to a set standard. The linking of a title to compulsory further training is unique in Swiss physiotherapy and a guarantee for the highest professional quality in the field of musculoskeletal physiotherapy.

svomp – Continuing education

To keep up with the latest developments in musculoskeletal physiotherapy, svomp offers its members high-quality courses. In addition, there are offers for members to stay up to date with the latest scientific findings and to develop their practical skills. Such as:

- Training sessions with national and international speakers
 - Practice groups
 - Quality circles
 - Specialist supervisions by OMTsvomp® supervisors
- Ask for our supervisor list (info@svomp.ch) and invite a supervisor to your practice*

svomp - Advantages of membership

There are multiple advantages to be part of svomp: To be a member of a vibrant international community for musculoskeletal physiotherapy and to benefit from the latest findings and keep up to date with the latest scientific developments, are only the most obvious examples. Furthermore, there are additional benefits:

- Access to the international network of IFOMPT
- Discounts on svomp courses
- List of OMTsvomp® therapists on the svomp website
- Lobbying to strengthen the specialized musculoskeletal physiotherapy
- Networking events
- Benefits with partners of svomp

More information on our Websites: www.svomp.ch; www.ifompt.org

