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ONLINE TECHNIQUE GUIDE

HANDS ON REHABILITATION  
WITH REAL PATIENTS  
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# CRUCIATE STABILITY SYSTEM

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DRY LAB AND REHAB WORKSHOP  
FOR CRUCIATE INJURY

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Cruciate injury is the most common orthopaedic disease we see in dogs. Yet with so many surgical methods used within the industry, we still strive for better outcomes. With the OssAbility Stifle System, you can stabilize the joint whilst giving your patients better outcomes with fewer complications. When this is teamed together with tailored and personalized rehabilitation. You can give your patients a top quality orthopaedic service. You will learn how to assess your patients, when to use rehabilitation techniques and how to progress your patient along their recovery journey.

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**CPD Value:**

NSW: 24.5 CPD points  
Other states: 16.5 points  
VetEd: 24.5 points

**Location:**

Melbourne Polytechnic,  
Fairfield VIC

**Price:**

Two Days: \$925 (vets only)  
Day One only: \$850 (vets only)  
Day Two only: \$450 (vets and vet nurses)

Register before the 23 of February 2018 to  
receive a free textbook

**Date:**

Thursday & Friday  
5–6th April 2018

**Education Team:**

Dr Brent Higgins  
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Registered Specialist in Small Animal  
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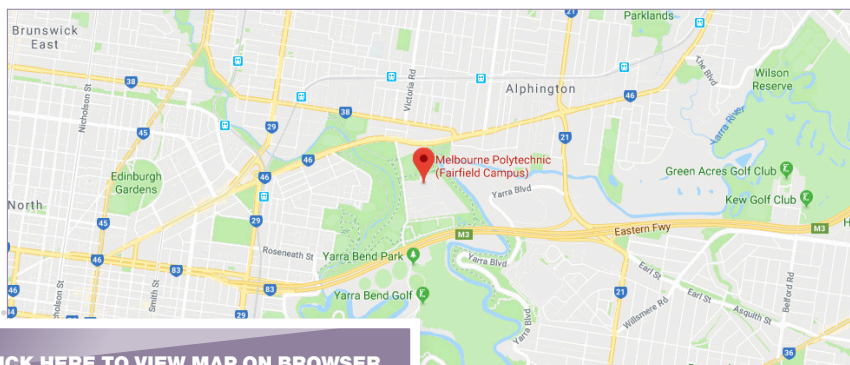
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**DAY 1 – OssAbility Stifle System for Surgical Management of Canine Cruciate Disease**

08:00	Introductions	12:15	<b>Lunch</b>
08:30	Tutorial: Understanding Cruciate Disease, Approach to Case Management, TTA Theory	13:00	Tutorial: Surgical Technique
09:00	Brief bathroom and coffee break	13:30	Practical: Dry Lab 1
09:10	Planning Practical: Radiographic Assessment, Preoperative Planning, Osteotomy Planning	14:30	Planning Practical: Optimising the Osteotomy
10:30	<b>Morning Tea</b>	15:00	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
10:45	Tutorial: Perioperative Considerations; Anaesthesia, Analgesia, Positioning, Preventing and Managing Infection	15:15	Practical: Dry Lab II
11:30	Tutorial: Mini-medial Arthrotomy and Meniscal Disease	16:00	Tutorial: Discuss Radiology, Recovery, Aftercare and Physiotherapy
12:00	Tutorial: OssAbility Stifle System Design, Instrumentation and Cleaning	16:30	Tutorial: Preventing and Managing Mechanical Complications
		17:00	Tutorial: OssAbility Support, Research and Equipment Options
		17:30	<b>Finish</b>

**DAY 2 – Postoperative Rehabilitation of the Cruciate Patient**

08:00	Tutorial: Introduction to Rehabilitation, Postoperative Goals for the Cruciate Patient	13:15	<b>Lunch</b>
08:30	Biomechanics, Immobilisation vs. Mobilisation	13:45	Practical: Rehabilitation Techniques on Live Patients
09:00	Tutorial: Assessing Strength, Flexibility, Mechanics, Posture and Weight-bearing; From the Digits to the Spine	14:45	Tutorial: Laser, Ultrasound, Electrostimulation, Massage, and Spine Adjustments
09:30	Tutorial: Gait Analysis, Causes of Continued Lameness	15:15	Practical: Spine Mobilisations and Massage on Live Patients
10:00	<b>Morning tea</b>	16:15	<b>Afternoon tea</b>
10:15	Practical: Assessing Patients	16:30	Tutorial: The Four Stages of Rehabilitation, Cruciate Protocols for Recovery
12:15	Tutorial: Rehabilitation Techniques: Ice & Heat; Manual Therapy, Joint Mobilisations and Compressions, Stretching and When to Use Each	17:00	Practical: Practice the Cruciate Protocols on Live Patients
		18:00	Questions and Answers
		18:15	<b>Finish</b>

## **DR BRENT HIGGINS**

BVSc CertSAS DECVS  
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Registered Specialist in  
Small Animal Surgery

Brent is a small animal orthopaedic surgeon with interests in spinal conditions, fracture repair, growth deformity correction, and joint disease (in particular, the treatment of cruciate ligament disease). He graduated from Massey University in New Zealand and completed his specialist training at the University of Liverpool, United Kingdom. In 2011 Brent became a Diplomate of the European College of Veterinary Surgeons, and a European and NZ Registered Specialist Small Animal Surgery.

To advance veterinary education in New Zealand, Brent co-founded Practical CPD; which delivers skills-based workshops for vets and nurses, and ZeroPainPhilosophy; a free online video resource for vets and nurses teaching how to reduce pain in their patients. He also has a light-hearted video blog at [DrBrentHiggins.com](http://DrBrentHiggins.com).

Brent's core motivation is to simplify surgery and make it safer, through the use of technology. To this end, he co-founded the veterinary medical device company OssAbility. Half of Brent's week is now devoted to working with the OssAbility engineers and surgeons developing orthopaedic technologies for animals.

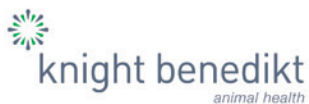
## **DR ELENA SALTIS**

BSc, PTNZ, CCRT,  
NZAVPA, APA  
Certified Canine  
Rehabilitation Therapist  
NZ Registered  
Physiotherapist

Elena is certified by the Canine Rehabilitation Institute in the USA where she now is also an instructor for the course. She is also a registered Physiotherapist by the New Zealand Physiotherapy Board. Elena has extensive experience in orthopaedics, spinal rehab, manual therapy, neurology and sports medicine. She previously owned Physiotherapy NZ Ltd in Christchurch which comprised numerous Physiotherapy private practices. She has undergone extensive post graduate courses in Animal Physiotherapy in Australia and the USA as well as numerous internships. She is Secretary of the New Zealand Animal and Veterinary Physiotherapy Association. Elena is extremely passionate about improving postoperative outcomes. Elena has an x-racing Greyhound, a Chihuahua, a Lab/Staffy x, a Tabby cat and a turtle.



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