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# Foreword

Although, the history of the physiotherapy profession does not go back to very old years, it is a professional health speciality field that is accepted and developing all over the world. Since the early 19th century physiotherapy education developed rapidly. With the diversity of evidence-based physiotherapy practices, the definition and the working areas of physiotherapists have also expanded.

Due to the interest and demand for the physiotherapy profession, the number of universities providing physiotherapy and rehabilitation education is increasing rapidly in Turkey and the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, as in many countries. As the number of physiotherapists and the variety of diseases increased, specialization in different fields of physiotherapy other than general physiotherapy became inevitable. Physiotherapists, who are an important element of the multidisciplinary teamwork approach, have the opportunity to work in almost every field of medicine. In the contemporary curriculum taught for students in Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation departments, the subjects of practice and expertise other than traditional physiotherapy approaches are included under the subject heading of "Special Topics in Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation". However, there is a lack of basic and supplementary textbooks on these special topics. The main purpose of our book is to provide an English guide resource on the subject with up-to-date information, which is currently lacking in the field of physiotherapy literature in Turkey, for academics, physiotherapists, and physiotherapy students.

With my love and regards,

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