



CERTIFICATION FOR ADVANCED COMPETENCY IN DRY NEEDLING (CertDN)

ODNS has long offered a Certification in Dry Needling, which consists of completing Level I and II courses, submitting case studies for review, and successfully completing a written examination. This exam emphasizes clinical application of dry needling as it applies to the treatment of musculoskeletal conditions.

Prerequisites: Successful completion of Level I and Level II ODNS Dry Needling courses.

Objectives: ODNS Certification in Dry Needling aims to encourage further study and practical application of these techniques. The components of the certification are as follows:

Written examination: The online written examination pass grade is 70%. This examination is timed and open book in design. The examination tests the student's ability to apply their knowledge of safety, clinical reasoning, and advanced anatomy to the practice of dry needling.

Case Studies: Upon completion of their Level II course, students are invited to begin the process of certification. With their Level II course certificate, they will be sent the Case study template and the marking rubric. The Case Study template is a fillable form, and the marking rubric serves as a guide to the student to guide their case study work.

Students are required to submit 2 case studies. One or both of these cases must include the techniques learned in both Level I and Level II. Case studies are submitted to Sharon at IAOM-US within a year of registration. They are reviewed by advanced dry needling assistants and lecturers and marking and critiques are returned to the student. The passing grade is 70%.

Acceptable case studies include documentation of the ability to apply dry needling with the right choice of patient position, needle gauge and size, hand position and technique; to document response, overall patient outcome, and incorporate it into their overall rehabilitation plan and other treatment techniques. Special attention is given to safety, efficacy and clinical reasoning.

Registration: Register by contacting info@iaom-us.com or calling 866-426-6101.

Upon registration for Dry Needling Certification, the student will be sent a link to take the written exam, and will again receive the Case Study form with marking Rubric. After registration, the student must complete their Certification process within 1 year.

On successful completion, the practitioner earns the ODNS Certification for Advanced Competency, and can use the initials 'CertDN' professionally.

Price for the Certification process is \$199.00.