

## Differential Diagnosis and Management of Dizziness in the Older Adult from a Physical Therapy Perspective

1. Discuss the normal sensory and musculoskeletal changes that accompany old age.
2. Be able to identify serious urgent medical causes of dizziness in the older adult.
3. Identify non-urgent non vestibular causes of dizziness in the older adult.
4. Identify positional causes of dizziness with discussion on modification of treatment with impairments associated with the older adult.
5. Identify vestibular causes of dizziness that are common to the older adult.
6. Differentiate cervical causes of dizziness and imbalance common to older adults
7. Outline generalized treatment directions (or medical management) for each condition.

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