



UPROOTING LYME

Holistic Lyme Practitioner Mentorship

Online Course

The Holistic Lyme Practitioner Mentorship is a comprehensive professional-level training in the holistic and natural treatment of Lyme disease and complex chronic illness.

This innovative program combines online modules of material with a detox practicum, pre-recorded monthly mentorship calls with Hillary Thing, and inclusion in a warm, supportive community of dedicated practitioners through our forum and online gatherings.

The skills and knowledge gained through this course of study are applicable to a broad range of modern diseases.

The course may be taken for 67.5 NCCAOM continuing education credits.

Coursework

Modules

(30) ~90-minute Pre-recorded Web-Classes

(10) 1-hour Pre-recorded Mentorship Calls

The bulk of the course consists of 10 modules containing 3 pre-recorded web-classes, each on critical topics within the specialty of holistic Lyme disease and complex chronic illness treatment, plus 1 pre-recorded mentorship call with Hillary and students from a past cohort.

You may take the course at your own speed.

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Plus, the forum is always available for you to ask clarifying questions, or post case-related, herbal or other topics for clinical discussion.

HLPM Curriculum & Course Outline

Module 1

Web-Class 1.1: Lyme-Borreliosis, Gu Disease, & the UL Roadmap To Recovery

- The epidemic nature of Lyme & stealth pathogens.
- Characteristics of Lyme-Borreliosis.
- The ancient concept of Gu disease, and how this understanding can inform our approach to holistic Lyme recovery.
- Orientation to the Uprooting Lyme Recovery Roadmap.

Web-Class 1.2: Case Illustration of the UL Approach, Borreliosis Diagnostic Concerns, & Holistic Treatment for Acute TBD Infection

- Practical demonstration of the Uprooting Lyme approach to holistic treatment via a case study walk-through of the process.
- The Lyme diagnostic process and how to guide and advise patients.
- How to make a clinical diagnosis of Lyme disease via symptom presentation, history, and diagnostic lab tests.
- The UL basic treatment protocol for acute Lyme disease.

Web-Class 1.3: Creating Order Out Of Chaos: Organizing a complex case presentation.

- Applying the Uprooting Lyme Systems Model to an initial consultation.
- How to organize information and bring clarity to a messy case history.
- How diagnostic / treatment priorities evolve out of the initial evaluation.
- Realistic expectations for a holistic Lyme recovery journey.

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- The characteristics of genuine healing: knowing what to look for.

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Module 2

Web-Class 2.1: Co-Infections, Part 1: Babesia & Bartonella

- The nature of co-infections in general, and what it means for the Lyme recovery process to address these additional layers of infection.
- Clinical presentation, including diagnostic markers, and identification of the hallmark signs and symptoms of these infections.
- Natural treatment strategies and protocols for the treatment of Babesia and Bartonella.

Web-Class 2.2: Co-Infections, Part 2: Miscellaneous Opportunists

- Clinical presentations of the most common co-infections and co-existing infections.
- Diagnostic markers, and how to identify hallmark signs and symptoms of these infections.
- Natural treatment strategies and protocols for specific co-infections.

Web-Class 2.3: Yeast & Parasites

- Causes and clinical presentations of yeast and parasitic infections.
- Specialized questionnaires, diagnostic markers, and other techniques.
- Natural treatment strategies and protocols for the treatment of these infections within the context of Lyme disease.

Mentorship Call #2

Module 3

Web-Class 3.1: The UL Approach to Detox for Lyme & Complex Chronic Diseases

- The relationship between Lyme and toxicity, and why detoxification is so fundamental to treatment.
- Defining “toxin,” and external and internal sources of toxicity.

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- The signs and symptoms of a toxic body.
- The core strategy that constitutes effective cleansing, a 2-step process called “Awaken + Release.”

Web-Class 3.2: The Cleansing Practices

- Deep dive into how cleansing happens inside the body.
- Understand the role that each of these holistic cleansing practices plays to create momentum for detoxification.
 - Cellular Hydration
 - Alkalizing
 - Elimination
 - Consistency

Web-Class 3.3: Elimination Pathways, Consistency, & the Spectrum of Cleansing Practice

- How to open and work with the avenues of elimination of the body.
- Practical aspects of the core cleansing protocol, and how to structure the day when incorporating these practices.
- The Spectrum Model for health-generating practices, and supporting the ongoing up-leveling of health generation until goals are achieved.
- Pacing, consistency, transition and other principles of success.

Mentorship Call #3

Module 4

Web-Class 4.1: The Lyme - Gut Connection

- Gut function and physiology, and the connection between Lyme / stealth infections & chronic GI disease.
- 5 major components of dual Lyme / GI disease.
- Symptoms and treatment of nutritional deficiencies.
- Integration of diet with cleansing, Lyme disease, and gut health.

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Web-Class 4.2: Food Allergies & Bacterial Infections of the Gut

- Diagnosis and treatment of food allergies.
- 5-Step Protocol for an elimination diet.
- Causes and symptoms of intestinal permeability / leaky gut syndrome.
- Strategies and protocols for effective treatment of leaky gut.

Web-Class 4.3: Special Protocols for Specific GI Diseases

- The treatment of gut infections & restoration of the microbiome;
- Diagnosis, symptomology and holistic treatment of other common GI conditions including SIBO, inflamed bowel disorders and upper GI disease according to this 5-step model.
- Specific natural protocols for the treatment of these diseases.

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Module 5:

Web-Class 5.1: The Human Cellular Battery & Energy Restoration

- The emerging paradigm of the human cellular energy system.
- The human energy battery, and how to recharge it.
- Roles of structured water & light in charging the human energy battery.

Web-Class 5.2: The Role of Exercise, Circadian Rhythm & Sleep in Lyme Recovery

Role of movement and exercise in energy and health generation.

- How to work with patients at different levels of ability to implement a movement practice.
- The crucial roles of circadian rhythm and autophagy in health generation, and how to support these biological processes.
- Role of sleep in health generation, and healing broken sleep patterns.
- Natural protocols for the treatment of different forms of insomnia.

Web-Class 5.3: Immune Deficiency, Inflammation, & Autoimmunity in Lyme

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Disease

- How Lyme and stealth pathogens compromise the immune system.
- What promotes a healthy immune system; repairing immune function.
- The 2 opposing efforts of the immune system, and how to alleviate excessive inflammation while promoting immune function.
- The patho-mechanisms of autoimmunity from a holistic perspective.
- Strategies and protocols for the treatment of autoimmunity + Lyme.

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Module 6

Web-Class 6.1: The Holistic Antimicrobial Strategy

- What it means for a patient to be “antibiotic ready” and why this is crucial for treatment success.
- Why antibiotics often do not work to treat Lyme disease.
- When to start, continue, or stop the use of antimicrobials within the context of a holistic Lyme treatment plan.
- The Uprooting Lyme multi-pronged strategy for the use of antimicrobials in Lyme and stealth infection treatment.

Web-Class 6.2: Gu Syndrome Materia Medica

- Herbs utilized to fulfill each treatment strategy discussed in Module 6.1.
- In-depth background and information for 2-3 herbs for each category.

Web-Class 6.3: Biofilm, Herxing & Additional Non-Pharmaceutical Antimicrobial Treatments

- The role of biofilm in Lyme infection and treatment.
- Additional non-pharmaceutical antimicrobial treatments beyond pharmaceuticals and herbals.
- Herx reactions, disease crises and healing crises – why they happen, how to distinguish them, and how to manage them to the patient’s advantage.

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Module 7

Web-Class 7.1: The Lyme-Thyroid Connection

- The thyroid's roles and relationships, and pathogenesis in the Lyme / complex chronic disease patient.
- Common symptomatology and presentation in Lyme disease.
- Thyroid hormone diagnostic testing and interpretation.
- Holistic strategies and protocols for healing thyroid dysfunction in the context of Lyme disease.

Web-Class 7.2: Adrenal Health & Lyme Disease

- Recognizing different types of adrenal gland dysfunction in Lyme.
- Adrenal gland lab testing options and interpretation.
- How adrenal gland excess or deficiency impacts the immune system, brain function, and other important aspects of Lyme recovery.
- Holistic treatment strategies and protocols for adrenal gland imbalance in the context of Lyme disease treatment.

Web-Class 7.3: HPA Axis Dysregulation

- The HPA axis and the adrenal-medullary hormone system.
- Common causes of dysregulation.
- How HPA axis dysfunction perpetuates Lyme / complex chronic disease.
- 4 natural strategies for correcting HPA axis dysfunction.

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Module 8

Web-Class 8.1: Mold & Mycotoxin Illness & Treatment

- The relationship between mold illness, stealth pathogens, and biofilm.
- Causative factors in mold and mycotoxin illness.
- Signs, symptoms and associated conditions.

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- Mold and mycotoxin diagnostic testing for body and buildings.
- Holistic strategies and protocols for the treatment of mold and mycotoxin illness.

Web-Class 8.2: Heavy Metal Detoxification

- Identifying heavy metal toxicity in Lyme / complex chronic disease.
- Common symptomatology & characteristics in the context of Lyme.
- Diagnostic testing options and interpretation.
- Heavy metals detoxification protocols and guidance.

Web-Class 8.3: Stress

- Stress as a roadblock to recovery.
- Holistic strategies & protocols for stress in the Lyme disease treatment.
- The role of mind-body-spirit medicine in Lyme recovery.
- Positive Psychology for Lyme disease patients.

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Module 9

Web-Class 9.1: Lyme Brain – Treatment for the Brain & Cognitive Function in Lyme Disease

- Mechanisms of brain disease due to Lyme-Borreliosis and co-infections.
- Symptomatic treatments for brain fog / cognitive deficits due to Lyme.
- Treatment plan strategies that best target “Lyme Brain.”
- Techniques to enhance cognition.

Web-Class 9.2: Psychiatric Manifestations & Treatment

- Common psychiatric manifestations of Lyme & stealth infections.
- Challenges of working with Lyme-driven psychiatric disease.
- Holistic treatment strategies and protocols for psychiatric Lyme.

Web-Class 9.3: Neurotransmitter Therapy

- Neurotransmitter physiology.

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- Symptoms / distinctions among specific neurotransmitter imbalances.
- Causes of neurotransmitter imbalances in the Lyme patient.
- 9 natural strategies to enhance neurotransmitter brain chemistry.

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Module 10

Web-Class 10.1: The Energetic & Spiritual Layers of Disease

- Energetic and spiritual perspectives of chronic infectious disease.
- Energetic diagnostic and treatment methods for enhancing clinical insight and treatment success.
- The spiritual gifts of illness and how they accelerate the recovery processes.

Web-Class 10.2: Skills & Systems for Successful Long-Term Client Relationships

- Coaching as a vital clinical skill.
- Establishing reasonable expectations.
- Conducting high-value progress evaluations.

Web-Class 10.3: Sustaining Your Practice

- Practice Management for holistic Lyme specialty practices.
- Clinical practice as a path of self-mastery.
- Practitioner mindsets for clinical success and professional happiness.
- Energy management for practitioners.

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Additional Clinical Training

Virtual Clinics (pre-recorded)

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(4) 2-hour virtual training sessions

After you gain a strong grounding in the diagnostic, detoxification and lifestyle medicine part of the healing approach, we will turn our focus to the more formal “treatment phase” of the patient journey. The Virtual Clinical Trainings are based on cases and consultations that Hillary or a student has conducted in order to demonstrate various aspects of treatment and how to troubleshoot challenges that can arise.

These discussions serve as a basis for discussions about diagnosis, labs, treatment protocols, herbal formulation, and case management.

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