#### Advanced Principles of Fx Practice

MASTERING THE ART OF FUNCTIONAL HEALTH INVESTIGATION



Trust that the body is able to heal itself on many different levels when given the right conditions.



The body is always seeking to keep you alive, that is its job...that is homeostasis.

The "fight or flight" mode keeps us from digesting food, turns down our metabolism and is not concerned with reproduction.

#### What Are the Priorities of the Body?

Symptoms are clues that can be hidden if we are just adding supplementation.

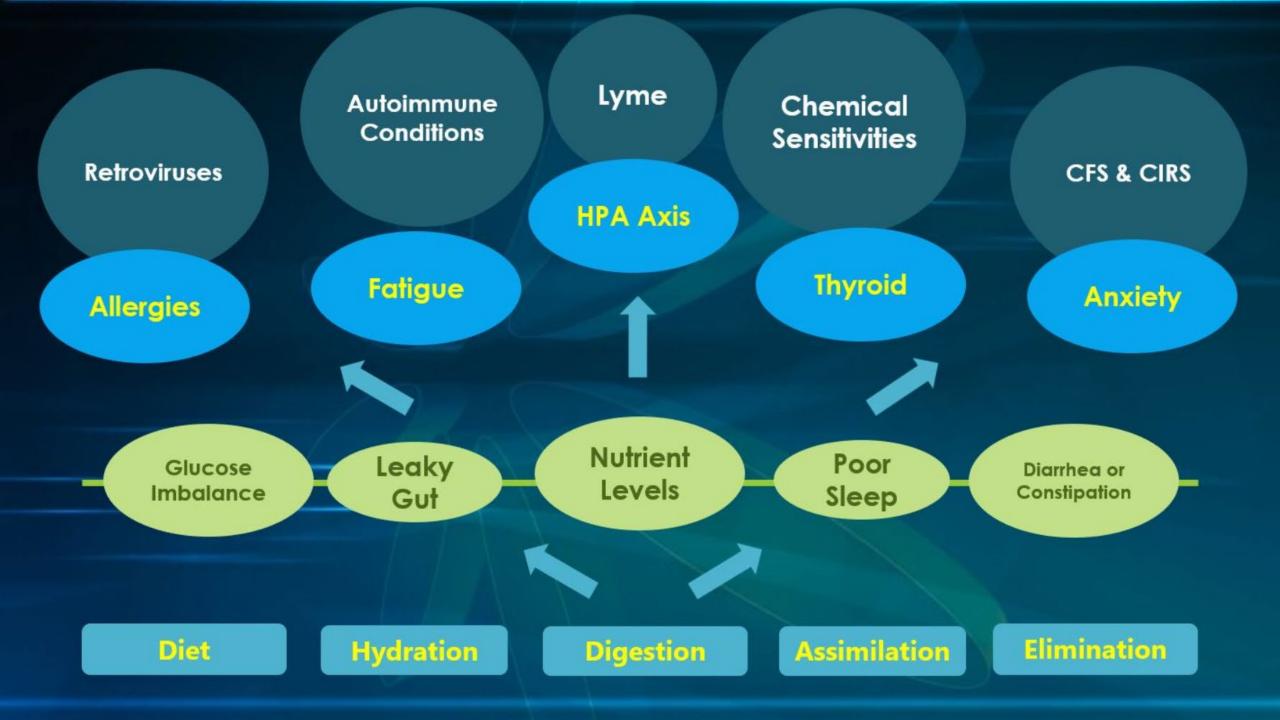
### What is that body telling you that it needs for support?



We know small injuries heal...but what about big dysfunctions?

Building and improving health is not based on how many supplements a client takes...

Dysfunction grows out of not taking care of the body.



How do we know for sure a client is properly hydrated?

## Clients need instruction to find their healing environment.

Without fully believing that the body can heal, we won't trust the body to give us clues.

#### Assignment 2 - Trusting the Body

## Learning to Trust What the Body is Telling Us

We need to learn to understand the very healing mechanisms that the body is using to do its own healing.

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Using supplementation instead of medications to get rid of symptoms is still using the conventional model of medicine.

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Is it supporting the body to heal or is it focused on removing symptoms?

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## Example: Supporting Glucose Dysregulation

When we support glucose dysfunction, what we're doing is a job that the body itself could do but, in many cases, is choosing not to.

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We still may not know the cause of this client's glucose dysregulation, especially if we can see it is not food related.

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Basic work on health must already be in place to use supplemental support.

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# Assignment 3 – Investigating Symptoms, Protocols and Healing

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"Symptoms are clues" does not always mean that "symptoms are bad".

You must look at the body and figure out why is it choosing to do what it is doing.

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## So what's the benefit of elevating cortisol at that point?

Stop trying to alter these numbers on a test and start looking for the infection.

#### What the Person Needs for Healing

If this is not a healing process, this may be a reflection of the work that the body is doing to circumvent dysfunction.

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Every lab marker has a reason.

### All functions in the body must be maintained.



## Practitioner vs. Client - Who Is Doing the Healing?

The partnership between you and the client is synergistic.



A protocol is a set of very specific instructions for using supplements to heal.

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A protocol is typically given for a set amount of time there is an expected outcome.

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We start with very limited supplements and those are related to supporting function in the whole body.

Be very gentle with the use of supplementation.

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Clients need to guide what supplements they're taking and how much they are taking.

You are suggesting things that may support function in this body and you need to provide education and research to that client so that they understand what you're suggesting.

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