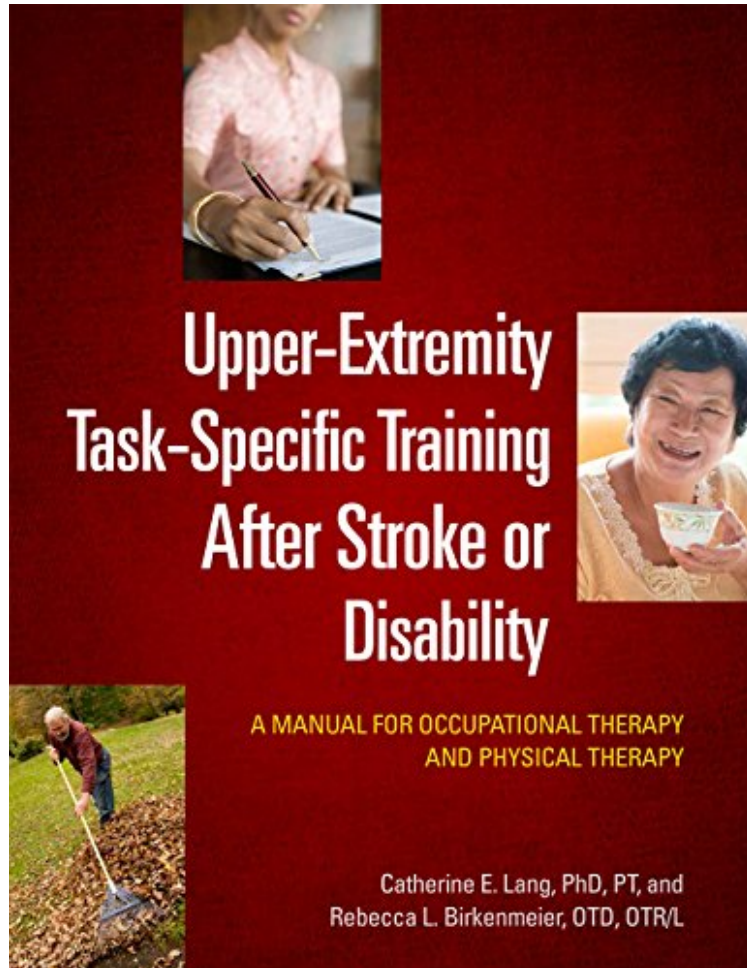


# Upper-Extremity Task-Specific Training After Stroke or Disability

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