



The NBOME mobilized efforts to create a new module, **Osteopathic Approach to Patients with Respiratory Infections**. It is now available to osteopathic medical students, residents and other DOs and members of the healthcare community in a time of national and global public health crisis - including you! You will find it on our [Learning Center](#).

This is a self-guided educational assessment program. Participants can complete some or all of the module as desired. The first section, OMT for Patients with Respiratory Infections: Hands-on Treatment, can be completed on its own as a quick review of the step-by-step procedures. The additional two sections are for those interested in the origin and history of the use of OMT in patients with respiratory infections and the research into how OMT has been studied to assist the patient as an adjunct to other evidence-based treatments, including antibiotics, anti-viral medications, other medical management, oxygen supplementation, etc. References are listed for your information. Finally, there is a 10 question self-assessment for those interested in a knowledge check. A certificate of completion will be available for those completing all 3 sections and the self-assessment.

The treatment approaches described in this module are manual techniques aimed at supporting a patient who has been infected with a respiratory illness such as influenza virus, coronavirus, or pneumonia. They are aimed at supporting the patient to best fight the infection and host response and immune reaction, including enhancing the respiratory mechanism of the patient from a biomechanical perspective.

This module was principally developed by NBOME National Faculty and staff with review from members of the osteopathic community from the American Academy of Osteopathy and the Educational Council on Osteopathic Principles.

Other available programs for free or low cost on the NBOME Learning Center include:

- Inter-professional Geriatric Education and Training in Texas: Fall Risk Education & Assessment; Elder Mistreatment; Medication Management; Advance Care Planning
- Identifying Medical Errors: Knowing Is Half the Battle
- Item Writing 101: Multiple Choice Items with Realistic Clinical Scenarios

We hope that you will find this program helpful, both personally and for your learners in this extraordinary time. The NBOME is proud to continue to serve the osteopathic medical education and practice community and related health care professions with assessment-oriented resources that may assist you and help meet our mission of protecting the public.