Occupational Therapy Interventions for Instrumental Activities of Daily Living for Adults With Parkinson’s Disease: A Systematic Review

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Importance: Instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs) are important for independence, safety, and productivity, and people with Parkinson’s disease (PD) can experience IADL limitations. Occupational therapy practitioners should address IADLs with their clients with PD.

Objective: To systematically review the evidence for the effectiveness of occupational therapy interventions to improve or maintain IADL function in adults with PD.

Data Sources: MEDLINE, CINAHL, PsycINFO, OTseeker, and Cochrane databases from January 2011 to December 2018.

Study Selection and Data Collection: Primary inclusion criteria were peer-reviewed journal articles describing Level 1–3 studies that tested the effect of an intervention within the scope of occupational therapy on an IADL outcome in people with PD. Three reviewers assessed records for inclusion, quality, and validity following Cochrane Collaboration and Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses (PRISMA) guidelines.

Findings: Twenty-two studies met the inclusion criteria and were categorized into four themes on the basis of primary focus or type of intervention: physical activity, specific IADL-focused, cognitive rehabilitation, and individualized occupational therapy interventions. There were 9 Level 1b, 9 Level 2b, and 4 Level 3b studies. Strong strength of evidence was found for the beneficial effect of occupational therapy–related interventions for physical activity levels and handwriting, moderate strength of evidence for IADL participation and medication adherence, and low strength of evidence for cognitive rehabilitation.

Conclusions and Relevance: Occupational therapy interventions can improve health management and maintenance (i.e., physical activity levels, medication management), handwriting, and IADL participation for people with PD. Further research is needed on cognitive rehabilitation. This review is limited by the small number of studies that specifically addressed IADL function in treatment and as an outcome.

What This Article Adds: Occupational therapy intervention can be effective in improving or maintaining IADL performance and participation in people with PD. Occupational therapy practitioners can address IADL function through physical activity interventions, interventions targeting handwriting and medication adherence, and individualized occupational therapy interventions.

Parkinson’s disease (PD) is a neurodegenerative disorder that affects almost 1 million people in the United States (Marras et al., 2018). PD is associated with motor and nonmotor manifestations that can lead to progressive disability and restricted participation in meaningful occupations (Duncan & Earhart, 2011; Shulman et al., 2008). Occupational therapy practitioners are well suited to address the occupational performance problems that result from PD.

One occupational domain negatively affected by PD is instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs; Choi et al., 2019; Foster, 2014). According to the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework: Domain and Process (3rd ed.; OTPF–3; American Occupational Therapy Association [AOTA], 2014), IADLs are complex activities that support daily life in the

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home and community and include caring for others, communication management, driving and community mobility, financial management, health management and maintenance, home establishment and management, meal preparation and cleanup, religious and spiritual activities, safety and emergency maintenance, and shopping. Studies have found PD-related limitations in a variety of IADLs, including driving, financial management, medication management, shopping, and household management, even very early in the disease course (Crizzle et al., 2012; Foster, 2014; Hariz & Forsgren, 2011; Kudlicka et al., 2018; Pirogovsky et al., 2014). IADL limitations in people with PD are associated with withdrawal from everyday activities and reduced quality of life (Klepac et al., 2008; Kudlicka et al., 2018). These findings highlight the necessity and importance of interventions to address IADL function among people with PD.

Occupational therapy practitioners should be prepared to address IADLs as part of an overall plan of care for clients with PD. The purpose of this review is to assist practitioners in making evidence-based decisions regarding such interventions. A prior systematic review of occupational therapy–related interventions for adults with PD found that physical activity, external cues, and self-management and cognitive–behavioral approaches can benefit motor skills, basic activities of daily living, and health-related quality of life in this population (Foster et al., 2014). When that review was published, IADL function had rarely, if ever, been reported as an intervention target or outcome, but the authors of the review noted that such work was emerging. Therefore, our objective was to systematically search for, assess, and synthesize the new evidence on occupational therapy interventions for people with PD with a specific focus on IADLs (see Boone et al., 2021, and Doucet et al., 2021, for the updated systematic reviews addressing other occupational outcomes). We used the following focused question: What is the evidence for the effectiveness of interventions within the scope of occupational therapy to improve or maintain performance and participation in IADLs for adults with PD?

**Method**

This systematic review was supported and funded by the AOTA Evidence-Based Practice Program. It was conducted following an a priori review protocol and Cochrane Collaboration methodology (Higgins et al., 2019) and is reported in accordance with the Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses (PRISMA) guidelines (Moher et al., 2010). AOTA staff, a research methodologist (Elizabeth G. Hunter), a medical librarian, and external experts developed the research question and search terms.

**Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria**

Peer-reviewed journal articles published in English between January 2011 and December 2018 were eligible (the prior systematic review included articles published between January 2003 and May 2011; Foster et al., 2014). We included studies providing Level 1b, 2b, and 3b evidence (Oxford Centre for Evidence-Based Medicine, 2011; Table 1). We excluded systematic reviews and meta-analyses, Level 4 or 5 studies, protocols, dissertations and theses, presentations, abstracts, and commentaries and editorials. Systematic reviews were evaluated, and pertinent articles from them were included in the review. Included studies involved adults (age 18+) with PD; studies that did not report results specifically for participants with PD were excluded.

We included studies of interventions within the scope of occupational therapy practice with outcomes of interest related to IADL performance and participation, with IADLs defined according to the OTPF–3. Measures could include performance-based assessments, questionnaires, questions, or objective measures (e.g., activity monitor). Health-related quality of life and other functional outcome measures were not included unless IADL-specific data from them were reported.

**Study Selection**

A medical librarian conducted the search of MEDLINE, PsycINFO, CINAHL, OTseeker, and Cochrane databases for articles published from January 2011 to December 2018 (see the supplemental material, available online with this article.
The research methodologist conducted an initial review of the search results and eliminated duplicates and other articles not meeting the inclusion criteria (e.g., wrong year, non-PD participants). Three reviewers (Erin R. Foster, Lisa G. Carson, and Jamie Archer) then reviewed the output to identify studies for inclusion. At least two reviewers independently screened each citation and abstract to identify studies for full-text review. The team met to rectify discrepancies and determine which full-text articles to retrieve.

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### Risk-of-Bias Assessment

Two reviewers (Foster and Carson) initially assessed study risk of bias; their results were then reviewed by the research methodologist (Hunter). The Cochrane risk-of-bias tool was used for randomized controlled trials (RCTs) and nonrandomized trials \( (\text{Higgins et al., 2016}) \), and the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (n.d.) risk-of-bias tool was used for noncontrolled research studies.

### Strength of Evidence Grading

The strength of evidence within a theme was determined by number of studies, level of evidence, risk-of-bias evaluation, and significance of outcomes \( (\text{U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, 2018}) \). **Strong strength of evidence** includes two or more Level 1b studies with low risk of bias and consistent results. **Moderate strength of evidence** includes at least one Level 1b study with low risk of bias or multiple Level 2b or 3b studies with low to moderate risk of bias providing evidence sufficient to determine effects on outcomes but with confidence constrained by number and size of studies, level of evidence, risk of bias, or inconsistent results. **Low strength of evidence** indicates insufficient evidence to assess effects on outcomes because of a variety of factors (e.g., small samples, inconsistent results, design or methodological flaws).

### Results

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**Table 1. Levels of Evidence**

| Level | Type of Evidence |
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| 1a    | Systematic review of homogeneous (e.g., similar population or intervention) RCTs with or without meta-analysis |
| 1b    | Well-designed individual RCT (not a pilot or feasibility study with a small sample size) |
| 2a    | Systematic review of cohort studies |
| 2b    | Individual prospective cohort study, low-quality RCT (e.g., <80% follow-up or low number of participants, pilot or feasibility study), ecological study, two-group, nonrandomized study |
| 3a    | Systematic review of case–control studies |
| 3b    | Individual retrospective case–control study, one-group, nonrandomized pretest–posttest study, cohort study |
| 4     | Case series\(^a\) (or low-quality cohort or case–control study) |
| 5     | Expert opinion without explicit critical appraisal |

\(^a\)Interpreted as any single-subject design (e.g., single-case experimental design, case study).

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study outcome. Table A.1 in the Appendix summarizes each study within the themes, and Tables A.2 and A.3 provide the risk-of-bias evaluations of included studies.

**Physical Activity Interventions**

Thirteen studies provide evidence related to the effect of physical activity interventions on IADL function in people with PD. Two studies (Pretzer-Aboff et al., 2011; van Nimwegen et al., 2013) used general or lifestyle “physical activity,” defined by the World Health Organization (WHO; 2018) as “any bodily movement produced by skeletal muscles that
requires energy expenditure" (p. 14), including activities undertaken while working, engaging in recreational pursuits, and carrying out household chores. The remaining 11 studies used “exercise,” defined as physical activity that is “planned, structured, repetitive, and purposive” and that aims to improve or maintain physical fitness (WHO, 2018, p. 98). All studies used community- or home-based interventions. Three classes of IADL-related outcomes were assessed in these studies: physical activity level (11 studies), reported IADL function (3 studies), and reported IADL participation (1 study).

**Physical Activity Level**
Physical activity level was the primary outcome for 5 studies (Colón-Semenza et al., 2018; Nakae & Tsushima, 2014; Pretzer-Aboff et al., 2011; Ridgel et al., 2016), including 1 Level 1b RCT with low risk of bias (van Nimwegen et al., 2013). The interventions in these studies ranged from 8 wk to 2 yr in duration and, in addition to prescribing physical activity or exercise, incorporated health behavior change components to promote increased engagement in physical activity. Physical activity level was a secondary outcome in 6 studies (Cheung et al., 2018; Demonceau et al., 2017), including 4 Level 1b RCTs with low to moderate risk of bias (Canning et al., 2015; Goodwin et al., 2011; Li et al., 2014; Reuter et al., 2011). These studies used exercise interventions ranging from 10 wk to 6 mo in duration such as resistance, aerobic and flexibility exercise, balance training, walking, Nordic walking, yoga, and tai chi. Regardless of primary intervention target and intervention characteristics (e.g., type, dose), almost all studies found significant treatment-related improvements in physical activity levels during the interventions, immediately postintervention, or at follow-up using a variety of standardized and unstandardized questionnaires or activity trackers or monitors as outcome measures. Thus, strong strength of evidence supports physical activity interventions to increase physical activity levels (measured by, e.g., steps per day, actigraphy, reported physical activity).

**Reported IADL Function**
Three studies assessed the effect of exercise interventions on reported IADL function (Colón-Semenza et al., 2018; Nakae & Tsushima, 2014; Nascimento et al., 2014). Only 1 of these studies, which used a more comprehensive exercise program with a higher dose than the others, found significant treatment-related improvements (Nascimento et al., 2014). Because of the small number of lower level studies with moderate risk of bias and inconsistent results, low strength of evidence is available that physical activity interventions can improve reported IADL function.

**Reported IADL Participation**
One Level 1b RCT with low risk of bias found significant treatment-related improvements in reported IADL participation during a 12-mo community-based tango dance intervention (Foster et al., 2013). This study provides moderate strength of evidence that participation in tango dance classes can increase IADL participation.

**Specific IADL-Focused Interventions**
Four studies provide evidence for interventions targeting a specific IADL in people with PD. Two IADLs were the target of intervention in these studies: handwriting (3 studies) and medication adherence (1 study).

**Handwriting**
Three studies, including 1 Level 1b RCT with low risk of bias (Collett et al., 2017), tested the effect of handwriting training on handwriting function (Nackaerts et al., 2016; Ziliotto et al., 2015). The interventions had different treatment components (e.g., hand exercises, writing with external cues); ranged in intensity, frequency, and duration (e.g., 30–90 min sessions, 1–5x/wk, over 6 wk to 6 mo); and had different delivery methods (e.g., workbook, in person). However, they all resulted in significant improvements in handwriting as assessed by self-report (Unified Parkinson’s
Disease Rating Scale Item 2.7) or objective measures (e.g., writing amplitude, surface area, superior margin). Therefore, strong strength of evidence supports handwriting training.

**Medication Adherence**

One Level 1b RCT with moderate risk of bias found significant improvements in medication adherence after 7 weekly 1:1 home-based sessions using a cognitive–behavioral approach with care partner participation (Daley et al., 2014). Thus, moderate strength of evidence supports medication adherence therapy.

**Cognitive Rehabilitation Interventions**

Three studies provide evidence related to cognitive rehabilitation interventions to address IADL function in people with PD. Two studies used a cognitive process training approach in people with PD who did not have dementia; the approach involved structured practice on tasks designed to target and improve specific cognitive functions (e.g., working memory, processing speed; Disbrow et al., 2012; Paris et al., 2011). Neither found significant treatment-related improvements in objective or reported IADL function. One study used a functional goal–oriented strategy training approach with people with PD-related dementia; this approach involved the use of strategies to compensate for or reduce the impact of cognitive impairment and improve everyday activity function (Hindle et al., 2018). This study found no significant treatment-related improvements in informant-reported IADL function. Thus, low strength of evidence is available that cognitive rehabilitation may benefit IADL function in people with PD.

**Individualized Occupational Therapy Interventions**

Two Level 1b RCTs provide evidence related to guidelines-based, comprehensive, individualized occupational therapy interventions to address IADL function in people with PD. A large, multicenter, pragmatic RCT tested occupational therapy based on the U.K. National Health Service guidelines that was provided in an average of four 1-hr sessions over 8 wk in community and outpatient settings (Clarke et al., 2016). The intervention focused on transfers, dressing, grooming, sleep, fatigue, indoor mobility, household tasks, and other environmental issues and had no significant effect on clinician-rated IADL performance. A multicenter assessor-blind RCT tested occupational therapy following the Dutch national practice guidelines that was provided for an average of eight 1-hr sessions over 10 wk in the home (Sturkenboom et al., 2014). The intervention included self-management, coaching, and skills training for compensatory strategies, task and routine simplification, adaptive equipment, and environmental modification and had significant effects on reported IADL participation but not on IADL performance. Together, these studies provide moderate strength of evidence that comprehensive individualized occupational therapy interventions can improve IADL participation but low strength of evidence that it can improve IADL performance.

**Discussion**

This systematic review is part of an update of a prior systematic review of occupational therapy–related interventions for people with PD (Foster et al., 2014), but it focuses specifically on IADL function as an outcome. It revealed four general categories of interventions used to address IADL function in PD: physical activity, specific IADL-focused, cognitive rehabilitation, and individualized occupational therapy interventions. Strong strength of evidence indicates that physical activity interventions can increase physical activity levels and that handwriting interventions can improve handwriting. Moderate strength of evidence indicates that tango dance classes and individualized home-based occupational therapy can increase IADL participation and that medication adherence therapy can improve medication adherence. Low strength of evidence is available for physical activity interventions and cognitive rehabilitation to improve general IADL function. Our results are consistent with those of the prior review, which also found that interventions focused on physical activity or that incorporate external cues (e.g., Nackaerts et al., 2016) and self-management or cognitive–
behavioral approaches (e.g., Daley et al., 2014; Sturkenboom et al., 2014; van Nimwegen et al., 2013) can benefit people with PD, and the current review extends these findings specifically to IADL function.

Physical activity, specifically exercise, can improve motor and nonmotor function and quality of life in people with PD; however, these benefits are likely derived only if the person engages in adequate levels of physical activity in daily life. Thus, occupational therapy practitioners have a role in helping people with PD incorporate and maintain physical activity in their daily routine as an aspect of health management and maintenance. This systematic review shows that education, peer mentoring, social support and interaction, goal setting, action and coping planning, and activity tracking may aid this process. In addition, social forms of exercise such as dance may stimulate increased participation in IADLs and other daily activities.

Interventions that focus on a specific problematic IADL, namely handwriting and medication adherence, appear to improve performance. Occupational therapy practitioners can provide hand exercises, writing activities, and external cues for increased writing amplitude (e.g., colored visual target zones) to improve subjective and objective handwriting ability. In addition to addressing actual performance of medication management activities in the context of the client’s life (AOTA, 2017), findings suggest that to improve medication management in people with PD, occupational therapy practitioners should involve the care partner, assess the client’s medication regimen, understand their perceptions of medication use, and help them problem solve practical and attitudinal barriers to adherence (Daley et al., 2014). Improvements in specific IADLs from a focused intervention may translate to improved overall occupational performance and participation in people with PD, but this possibility remains to be tested.

Because of the limited number of studies and lack of significant findings, low strength of evidence is available for the effect of cognitive rehabilitation interventions. Although cognitive process training can improve cognitive test performance among people with PD who do not have dementia, evidence supporting the translation of these improvements to IADL function is lacking (Disbrow et al., 2012; Leung et al., 2015; París et al., 2011). Notably, the functional goal–oriented cognitive strategy training approach resulted in improved goal attainment in participants with PD-related dementia (Hindle et al., 2018), but the goals may not have been IADL related. More research is needed in this area because cognitive impairment is related to reduced IADL function in people with PD (e.g., Cahn et al., 1998; Pirogovsky et al., 2014) and functional cognition is a critical domain of concern for occupational therapy practitioners (Giles et al., 2020).

The evidence is mixed for the effect of individualized occupational therapy interventions. Tailored home-based occupational therapy improved IADL participation (Sturkenboom et al., 2014), but no significant improvements were found in IADL performance (reported and observed) in either of the large RCTs included in this review (Clarke et al., 2016; Sturkenboom et al., 2014). In addition to increased IADL participation, Sturkenboom et al. (2014) reported improvement on the Canadian Occupational Performance Measure (COPM), but they did not specify whether or how many COPM goals were IADL related. The small number of studies and differences between them, such as intervention approach, dose, usual care versus best practice, and setting, limit firm conclusions. The findings within this theme do suggest that occupational therapy assessment should include measures of IADL performance and IADL participation, which are important and dissociable constructs, and that clients with PD need moderate to high doses of treatment (e.g., ≥8 sessions, ≥10 wk) to experience benefit.

Although the evidence base has increased greatly since the prior systematic review (Foster et al., 2014), the number of intervention studies explicitly addressing IADL outcomes aside from physical activity levels is still small. More research is needed on the effects of physical activity interventions on general IADL function, interventions targeting other problematic IADLs (e.g., financial management), comprehensive individualized occupational therapy, and cognitive rehabilitation. In addition, reporting of IADL-specific outcomes is limited. For example, many studies used outcome measures that include IADL items (e.g., Parkinson’s Disease Questionnaire–39), but the IADL items represent a small proportion of the entire scale or were not reported separately. Similarly, several studies used
standardized measures of change in individualized treatment-related goals (e.g., Goal Attainment Scaling, COPM, Bangor Goal-Setting Interview), which is consistent with best practice principles of client-centeredness and tailoring. However, these outcomes were not included in this review because it was unclear whether the goals were IADL related. Because the use of these clinically meaningful measures is increasing in PD research (e.g., Foster et al., 2018; Hindle et al., 2018; Reuter et al., 2012; Sturkenboom et al., 2014; Vlagsma et al., 2018), a future systematic review on the effect of occupational therapy–related interventions on individualized goals in people with PD may be warranted.

Although we present four intervention themes, we note that these categories are not mutually exclusive. Many of the studies tested complex interventions that involved simultaneous application of different and interacting treatment components; multiple ingredients, targets, and outcomes; and flexibility and tailoring (Craig et al., 2008; Hart et al., 2019; Whyte, 2014; Whyte & Hart, 2003) and thus overlapped with one another in different ways. For example, studies in the physical activity (e.g., Pretzer-Aboff et al., 2011; van Nimwegen et al., 2013), specific IADL-focused (Daley et al., 2014), and individualized occupational therapy (Sturkenboom et al., 2014) themes used self-management or cognitive–behavioral strategies; a handwriting study used exercise (Collett et al., 2017); and both of the individualized occupational therapy studies (Clarke et al., 2016; Sturkenboom et al., 2014) incorporated task-specific training. As the field moves toward better specification of rehabilitative interventions, researchers’ ability to evaluate, synthesize, and compare treatments and treatment components and their effectiveness in addressing IADL function in people with PD will be enhanced (Fasoli et al., 2019; Zanca et al., 2019).

**Limitations**

The precision of our findings was limited by the small number and heterogeneity of studies targeting IADLs. Although a thorough search of research databases was conducted and standardized methodology was followed, it is possible that pertinent articles were missed. Additionally, this review was limited to English-language articles and ended in December 2018, which may have resulted in the exclusion of important articles. Finally, there is a chance that publication bias existed and that studies without positive findings were less often published and thus missed by this review.

**Implications for Occupational Therapy Practice**

The findings of this systematic review have the following implications for occupational therapy practice with people with PD:

- Assessments should include measures of IADL performance and IADL participation.
- Occupational therapy practitioners can promote engagement in physical activity by using health behavior change techniques.
- Social physical activity may stimulate increased participation in IADLs.
- Occupational therapy practitioners should consider task-specific training for problematic IADLs. Handwriting can be addressed through upper extremity strengthening, writing activities, and external cues. Medication management interventions should incorporate a cognitive–behavioral approach and care partner participation.

**Conclusion**

Occupational therapy interventions can improve health management and maintenance (i.e., physical activity levels, medication management), handwriting, and IADL participation for people with PD. Further research is needed on cognitive rehabilitation. This review is limited by the small number of studies that specifically addressed IADL function in treatment and as an outcome.
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| Author/Year | Level of Evidence/Study Design and Risk of Bias/Participants/Inclusion Criteria/Setting | Intervention and Control | Outcome Measures | Results |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------|
| Physical Activity Intervention | | | | |
| Canning et al. (2015) | Level 1b, Assessor-blind RCT; low risk of bias, N = 231 (M age = 71; 59% male) | Intervention group, n = 115 allocated, with 91 completing the intervention and 101 analyzed | Control group, n = 116 allocated, with 115 completing the intervention and 112 analyzed | Inclusion Criteria: Age ≥40 yr, ability to walk independently (with or without assistive device), stable antiparkinsonian medications for ≥2 wk, 1 or more falls in past year or at risk for falls, MMSE score ≥24, no unstable cardiovascular disease or any other uncontrolled chronic condition that would interfere with safety or participation | Intervention: PD-WEBB, a web-based exercise program consisting of progressive balance and lower limb strengthening, 40–60 min 3×/wk for 6 mo; strategies for freezing of gait; attendance at monthly PT-led exercise classes; PT home visits; and fall prevention booklet | Physical activity level assessed by a habitual physical activity questionnaire measuring hr/wk of exercise at postintervention | No significant treatment-related improvements were found for the entire sample (M difference = 0.7 hr/wk, 95% CI [–0.2, 1.6], p = .15). Post hoc subgroup analysis showed a significant increase in habitual exercise among participants with lower disease severity (M difference = 1.5 hr/wk, 95% CI [0.03, 3.05], p = .046) but not higher disease severity (M difference = –0.4 hr/wk, 95% CI [–1.2, 0.5], p = .38). |
| Cheung et al. (2018) | Level 2b, Pilot assessor-blind RCT with wait-list control; low risk of bias, N = 20 (M age = 63; sex not reported) | Intervention group, n = 10 | Control group, n = 10 | Inclusion Criteria: H&Y Stage I–III, typical parkinsonism, ages 45–75, on stable dopaminergic therapy for ≥4 wk, able to ambulate 6 m (with or without assistive device), MoCA score ≥26, no other brain condition, no medical condition that would prohibit safe exercise, no spinal fusion or orthopedic surgery in past 6 mo, no significant psychiatric disease, does not require greater than minimal assistance for gait and transfers, able to attend yoga sessions, not already practicing yoga regularly | Intervention: Hatha yoga program, including poses, breathing techniques, and meditation, 60-min group-based classes 2×/wk for 12 wk | Physical activity level assessed by the LAPAQ at postintervention | The intervention group had significantly lower physical activity postintervention compared with the control group (M difference = –3.187, 95% CI [–3.138, –6.252], p = .016) and baseline (M difference = –2.167, 95% CI [–4.534, 0.200], p = .104). |

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no significance tests were performed because of the small sample size. The mentee group had a 31% increase in average steps/day (4 of 5 mentees’ increases exceeded the minimally clinically important difference of 779 steps/day), a 42% increase in active min/wk, and a 20% increase in frequency of achieving 30 fairly or very active min over 7 days before and over the last 7 days of the walking program. Activity function (including some IADLs) assessed by the LLFDI disability component.

**Table A.1. Evidence Table for the Systematic Review of Interventions Within the Scope of Occupational Therapy Practice for IADLs for Adults With PD (Cont.)**

| Author/Year | Level of Evidence/Study Design and Risk of Bias/Participants/Inclusion Criteria/Setting | Intervention and Control | Outcome Measures | Results |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------|
| Colón-Semenza et al. (2018) | Level 3b  
Within-subjects, pretest-posttest, feasibility study; moderate risk of bias  
N = 11 (5 mentees, Mage = 63, 60% male; 6 coaches, of which 5 completed the intervention)  
Inclusion Criteria  
H&Y Stage I–II, MoCA score ≥ 24, stable antiparkinsonian medication for ≥ 2 wk before study onset, able to walk independently (with or without assistive device) ≥ 10 min, able to effectively communicate with study team, no diagnosis of atypical parkinsonism, ≤ 2 falls in past month, FOG Item 3 score < 3, no serious comorbidities that might interfere with participation  
Intervention Setting  
Home and community (self-selected walking environment), United States | Mentored walking program in which trained peer coaches were matched with peer mentees and interacted via FitBit friends and weekly phone calls to develop walking goals and action plans, monitor progress, and provide support; 8 wk  
Control  
No control | • Walking activity assessed by an activity tracker (average steps/day for 7 days, active min/wk, frequency of achieving 30 fairly or very active min over 7 days) before and over the last 7 days of the walking program  
• Activity function (including some IADLs) assessed by the LLFDI disability component | No significance tests were performed because of the small sample size. The mentee group had a 31% increase in average steps/day (4 of 5 mentees’ increases exceeded the minimally clinically important difference of 779 steps/day), a 42% increase in active min/wk, and a 20% increase in frequency of achieving 30 fairly or very active minutes. LLFDI score changes did not exceed the minimal detectable change of 11.62 points. |
| Demonceau et al. (2017) | Level 2b  
3-arm, pseudo-RCT; moderate risk of bias  
N = 52 (M age = 65; 65% male)  
Intervention Group 1, n = 17 allocated, with 15 completing the intervention  
Intervention Group 2, n = 20 allocated, with 16 completing the intervention  
Control group, n = 15 allocated and completed the control intervention  
Inclusion Criteria  
H&Y Stage I–II, MMSE score ≥ 24, no history of other neurological disease, no other conditions that interfere with exercise, ability to walk independently, no on-state freezing  
Intervention Setting  
Community and home, Belgium | Muscle strength training using machines and weights under direct PT supervision, 60–90 min 2–3×/wk for 12 wk  
Control  
Standard care; participants were asked to avoid any modification to exercise or physical activity | Physical activity level assessed by the PASS postintervention | The strength and aerobic training groups’ PASS scores improved more than the control group’s (strength, d = 0.34, 95% CI [0.17, 1.25]; aerobic, d = 0.54, 95% CI [0.38, 1.06]; control, d = −0.10, 95% CI [−0.82, 0.61]; interaction p = .022); |
| Foster et al. (2013) | Level 2b  
Single-blind RCT; low risk of bias  
N = 62 (M age = 69; 58% male)  
Intervention group, n = 32 allocated, with 26 completing intervention and analysis  
Control group, n = 30 allocated, with 26 completing intervention and analysis  
Inclusion Criteria  
H&Y Stage I–IV, clear motor benefit from levodopa, able to walk independently 3 m (with or without assistive device), no other neurological deficit or serious medical problem, no evidence of brain abnormality other than PD-related changes, no history of musculoskeletal or psychological problems  
Intervention Setting  
Community, United States | Tango dance classes, 1 hr 2×/wk for 12 mo  
Control  
Continue normal life routine | IADL participation assessed by the ACS Current Instrumental Activities, % Instrumental Activities Retained, and New Instrumental Activities scores at 3, 6, and 12 mo after baseline assessment | Significant intervention-related improvements were found in % Instrumental Activities Retained, which increased in the tango group from 76% at baseline to 87% at 3 mo before declining to 81% at 12 mo (p = .02), whereas the control group remained at 80% (p = .70). No significant intervention-related improvements were found for Current and New Instrumental Activities (data not reported). |
The intervention group reported significantly higher recreational physical activity levels than the control group at postintervention (M difference = 0.43, 95% CI [−0.05, 0.90], p = .08) and follow-up (M difference = 0.61, 95% CI [0.12, 1.10], p = .02). No significant effects were found for household physical activity levels (postintervention and follow-up, M difference = −0.25, 95% CI [−0.7, 0.19], p = .26).

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| Author/Year          | Level of Evidence/Study Design and Risk of Bias/Participants/Inclusion Criteria/Setting | Intervention and Control | Outcome Measures                                                                 | Results                                                                 |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Goodwin et al.       | Level 1b                                                                                | Intervention             | Physical activity level assessed by the Phone-FITT (household and recreational physical activity) at postintervention and 10-wk follow-up | The intervention group reported significantly higher recreational physical activity levels than the control group at postintervention (M difference = 0.43, 95% CI [−0.05, 0.90], p = .08) and follow-up (M difference = 0.61, 95% CI [0.12, 1.10], p = .02). No significant effects were found for household physical activity levels (postintervention and follow-up, M difference = −0.25, 95% CI [−0.7, 0.19], p = .26). |
| (2011)               | Pragmatic RCT; moderate risk of bias                                                     | PT-led group exercise sessions consisting of strength and balance exercises designed for fall prevention, 60 min 1×/wk for 10 wk, and an individually tailored home exercise program to complete 2×/wk Control Usual care |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | N = 130 (M age = 71; 57% male)                                                          |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Intervention group, n = 64 allocated, with 61 completing the intervention and assessments |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Control group, n = 66 allocated, with 63 completing the intervention and postassessment and 62 completing the follow-up assessment |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Inclusion Criteria                                                                     |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Self-reported history of ≥2 falls in previous year, able to mobilize independently indoors (with or without assistive device), local resident, no comorbidity or symptoms that affect ability or safety to exercise, able to follow written or verbal instructions in English |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Intervention Setting                                                                   |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Community, England                                                                     |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
| Li et al. (2014)     | Level 1b                                                                                | Intervention             | Physical activity level assessed by self-report of “continuing to exercise” after the intervention (defined as exercising ≥2×/wk for ≥30 min per session) at 3 mo postintervention | 63% (n = 123) of all participants reported continuing to exercise. Significantly more participants in the tai chi group (n = 47) continued to exercise than in the resistance training (n = 41) and stretching (n = 35) groups (p < .05). |
|                      | 3-arm RCT (secondary analysis of data); low risk of bias                               | Group 1: Group tai chi consisting of 6 movements integrated into an 8-form routine, 60 min 2×/wk for 6 mo |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | N = 195 (M age = 69; 63% male)                                                          | Group 2: Group resistance training consisting of movement designed to improve strength, balance, and locomotion, with weights added at Wk 10, 60 min 2×/wk for 6 mo |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Intervention Group 1, n = 65 allocated, with 56 completing the intervention and 61 providing outcome data | Group 3: Group stretching consisting of seated and standing stretches and abdominal breathing, 60 min 2×/wk for 6 mo |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Intervention Group 2, n = 65 allocated, with 59 completing the intervention and 62 providing outcome data |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Intervention Group 3, n = 65 allocated, with 61 completing the intervention and 62 providing outcome data |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Inclusion Criteria                                                                     |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Ages 40–85, H&Y Stage I–IV                                                            |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Intervention Setting                                                                   |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Community, United States                                                              |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
| Nakae & Tsushima     | Level 3b                                                                                | Intervention             | Physical activity level assessed by the TMIG Index of Competence at postintervention | Participants spent a significantly lower percentage of their time lying (36.7 vs. 29.3, p < .05) and sitting (24.0 vs. 31.9, p < .05) per day postintervention compared with preintervention. No significant change was found in TMIG Index of Competence scores (data not reported). |
| (2014)               | 1 group, pretest–posttest; moderate risk of bias                                      | Home exercise program consisting of self-guided exercise using a booklet, instructed to perform at least 3×/wk for 2 mo, and a home exercise visit by a PT, 30 min 1×/wk for 2 mo Control No control |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | N = 14 (10 completed the intervention and analysis; 20% male)                           |                          | • Physical activity level assessed by accelerometers and actigraphy                |                                                                       |
|                      | Inclusion Criteria                                                                     |                          | • IADL function assessed by the TMIG Index of Competence at postintervention       |                                                                       |
|                      | No change in antiparkinsonian medication for ≥2 mo, H&Y Stage II–III, capable of independent walking and participation in the intervention |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Intervention Setting                                                                   |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
|                      | Home, Japan                                                                            |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                       |
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| Author/Year | Level of Evidence/Study Design and Risk of Bias/Participants/Inclusion Criteria/Setting | Intervention and Control | Outcome Measures | Results |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|---------|
| Nascimento et al. (2014) | Level 2b Single-blind, nonrandomized controlled trial; moderate risk of bias N = 42 (M age = 67; 50% male) Intervention group, n = 23 allocated, with 17 analyzed Control group, n = 19 allocated, with 17 analyzed | **Intervention** Mild- to moderate-intensity multimodal exercise program consisting of muscular resistance, balance and motor coordination, and aerobic exercises, 1 hr 3×/wk for 6 mo | IADL function assessed by the Brazilian version of the PIAQ at postintervention | The exercise group’s PIAQ scores improved (% improvement = 24.6%), whereas the control group’s worsened (% improvement = −17.5%) from pre- to postintervention, F(1, 23) = 14.6, p = .001. |
| Pretzer-Aboff et al. (2011) | Level 3b 1 group, 2 pretest, 3 posttest repeated measures; low risk of bias N = 24 (M age = 71; 71% male) | **Intervention** Function-focused care intervention in which caregivers were taught methods of encouraging the person with PD to engage in functional and physical activities, 1 home visit per PD participant and caregiver and follow-up telephone calls 1×/wk for 4 wk, followed by monthly calls for the rest of the 12-mo study period | Physical activity level assessed by the YPAS at 2, 6, and 12 mo after baseline | There were significant increases from baseline to 12 mo in hours spent exercising, F(1, 24) = 4.95, p = .004; energy expended, F(2, 43) = 4.32, p = .017; and hours spent in all physical activities, F(3, 60) = 6.06, p < .001. |
| Reuter et al. (2011) | Level 1b Randomized trial; moderate risk of bias N = 90 (M age = 62; 50% male) | **Intervention** Group 1: Nordic walking training consisting of technique and endurance training with encouragement to increase intensity, 70 min 3×/wk for 6 mo Group 2: Walking training consisting of technique and endurance training with emphasis on arm swing and limb coordination, 70 min 3×/wk for 6 mo Group 3: Flexibility and relaxation training consisting of stretching, balance, and range of movement exercises and relaxation training, 70 min 3×/wk for 6 mo | Physical activity level assessed by a log the last week of the intervention and a phone interview (e.g., Do you continue the training you practiced during the study? How often do you exercise per week?) 6 mo after intervention completion | At the end of the training period, the Nordic walking and walking groups spent significantly more time than the flexibility and relaxation group doing heavy exertion (9.4 and 6.3 hr/wk vs. 3.8 hr/wk), F(2, 87) = 11.25, p < .001, and less time sitting (5.6 and 5.7 hr/day vs. 8.9 hr/day), F(2, 87) = 14.22, p < .001. 6 mo after study completion, 100% of Nordic walking participants continued Nordic walking, 60% of the walking group continued walking and 30% switched to Nordic walking, and 50% of the flexibility and relaxation group continued their training regimen. |
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|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|---------|
| Ridgel et al. (2016)      | Level 2b, Single-blind RCT; moderate risk of bias, N = 30 (M age = 70; 63% male)      | Intervention            | Physical activity level assessed by the IPAQ at 12 wk postintervention and 24-wk follow-up | A significant intervention-related effect was found; the EXCEED group showed a 34% increase in physical activity from Wk 12 to Wk 24, whereas the SGE group showed a 32% reduction in activity over this period (p = .03). The EXCEED group had 56% more physical activity than the SGE group at 24 wk (1,472.7 MET min/wk vs. 646.5 MET min/wk). |
|                           | Intervention group, n = 15 allocated, with 13 assessed at 12 wk and 12 at 24 wk      |                          |                  |         |
|                           | Control group, n = 15 allocated, with 15 assessed at 12 wk and 12 at 24 wk            |                          |                  |         |
|                           | Inclusion Criteria                                                                  |                          |                  |         |
|                           | H&Y Stage I–III, unipolar major depression and MADRS score ≥14, ability to walk independently, no changes to PD medication within previous 2 wk and antidepressants within previous 4 wk, MMSE score ≥24, no unstable cardiovascular disease, not at high fall risk, no uncontrolled chronic condition that would risk safety, medically cleared for exercise |                          |                  |         |
|                           | Intervention Setting                                                                |                          |                  |         |
|                           | Community fitness center, United States                                             |                          |                  |         |
| van Nimwegen et al. (2013)| Level 1b, Multicenter, assessor-blind RCT; low risk of bias, N = 586 (M age = 65; 65% male) |                          |                  |         |
|                           | Intervention group, n = 299 allocated, with 273 completing 24-mo assessment           |                          |                  |         |
|                           | Control group, n = 287 assigned, with 267 completing 24-mo assessment                 |                          |                  |         |
|                           | Inclusion Criteria                                                                  |                          |                  |         |
|                           | Ages 40–75, sedentary lifestyle, H&Y Stage I–III; MMSE score ≥24, able to complete Dutch questionnaires, no comorbidities that interfere with daily functioning, not receiving institutionalized care, no prior deep brain surgery |                          |                  |         |
|                           | Intervention Setting                                                                |                          |                  |         |
|                           | Community, Netherlands                                                              |                          |                  |         |
|                           | Intervention                                                                      |                          |                  |         |
|                           | ParkFit, an individually tailored, multifaceted behavioral change program designed to increase levels of physical activity that included personal activity coaching sessions, an educational brochure about physical activity, goal setting, coping planning, stimulation to participate in group exercise, an ambulatory monitor with feedback about daily physical activity levels, a personalized website for monitoring progress, and regular physiotherapy sessions, maximum of 35 in-person sessions per year over 2 yr |                          | Physical activity level assessed by the LAPAQ (primary outcome), an activity diary, and an ambulatory activity monitor at 6, 12, 18, and 24 mo (6- and 24-mo data averaged for analysis) | No significant treatment-related improvements were found on the LAPAQ (group difference = 7%, 95% CI [-3%, 17%], p = .19). The ParkFit group had significantly greater increases in physical activity levels compared with the control group according to the activity diary (difference = 30%, 95% CI [17%, 45%], p < .001) and activity monitor (difference = 12%, 95% CI [7%, 16%], p < .001). |
A significant improvement was found for the handwriting training group in perceived handwriting difficulty (OR = 0.55, 95% CI [0.34, 0.91], \( p = .02 \)).

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| Collett et al. (2017) | Level 1b<br>Secondary evaluation of the control group from a single-blind, Phase 2 RCT; low risk of bias<br><br>\( N = 105 \) (\( M \) age = 67; 63% male)<br>Intervention Group 1, \( n = 51 \) analyzed, with 40 completing the intervention<br>Intervention Group 2, \( n = 54 \) analyzed, with 37 completing the intervention<br>**Inclusion Criteria**<br>Able to walk \( \geq 100 \) m; no contraindication to exercise including cardiac precautions; no diagnosis of dementia or MMSE score \(< 23\); no other neurological diagnoses; no severe depression, psychosis, or other mental state that would preclude study involvement; no orthopedic condition that would limit walking<br>**Intervention Setting**<br>Home (handwriting) and community (exercise), United Kingdom | **Intervention**<br>**Group 1:** Handwriting training delivered through a workbook including hand exercises and a variety of writing activities, 1 hr 2×/wk for 6 mo, plus monthly visits to review progress<br><br>**Group 2:** Exercise delivered through a booklet including aerobic and resistance training, 1 hr 2×/wk for 6 mo, plus monthly visits to review progress | • Perceived handwriting difficulty (MDS–UPDRS Item 2.7)<br>• Handwriting speed, amplitude, and progressive reduction assessed by a pangram at 3, 6, and 12 mo after start of intervention | A significant improvement was found for the handwriting training group in perceived handwriting difficulty (OR = 0.55, 95% CI [0.34, 0.91], \( p = .02 \)). Moderate effect sizes of the handwriting intervention were found for writing amplitude (total area, \( d = 0.32 \), 95% CI [−0.11, 0.70], \( p = .13 \)), but there were small or no effects for writing speed or progressive reduction (\( d \leq 0.11 \)). |
| Daley et al. (2014) | Level 1b<br>Phase 2 RCT; moderate risk of bias<br><br>\( N = 76 \) (\( M \) age = 71; 65% male)<br>Intervention group, \( n = 38 \)<br>Control group, \( n = 38 \)<br>**Inclusion Criteria**<br>Prescribed \( \geq 1 \) antiparkinsonian medication, on a stable regimen, no dementia, MMAS–4 score \( \geq 1 \)<br>**Intervention Setting**<br>Home (handwriting) and community (exercise), United Kingdom | **Intervention**<br>Routine care plus 1:1 adherence therapy sessions at home that included assessment of medications, problem solving of nonadherence issues, reflection on experience with medication, and discussion of beliefs regarding taking medication, 1×/wk for 7 wk<br><br>**Control**<br>Routine care | Medication adherence assessed by the MMAS–4 at 7 and 12 wk postrandomization (primary outcome, 12 wk) | Significant treatment-related improvements were found at both 7 and 12 wk; more people had improved MMAS–4 scores in the adherence therapy group compared with the control group (at 7 wk, 64.8% vs. 26.3%, OR = 6.1, 95% CI [2.2, 16.4]; at 12 wk, 60.5% vs. 15.8%, OR = 8.2, 95% CI [2.8, 24.3]). |
| Nackaerts et al. (2016) | Level 2b<br>RCT; moderate risk of bias<br><br>\( N = 38 \) (\( M \) age = 63; 61% male)<br>Intervention group, \( n = 18 \)<br>Control group, \( n = 20 \)<br>**Inclusion Criteria**<br>H&Y Stage I–III, right-handed as determined by the Edinburgh Handedness Inventory; score \( \geq 1 \) on Item 2.7 of the MDS–UPDRS, MMSE score \( \geq 24 \), no visual impairments, no upper limb problems that would impede handwriting, no deep brain stimulation<br>**Intervention Setting**<br>Home, Belgium | **Intervention**<br>Intensive writing amplitude training consisting of pen-and-paper writing and exercises on a touch-sensitive tablet with colored target zones and gradual progression of difficulty, 30 min of practice 5 days/wk for 6 wk, plus weekly observations<br><br>**Control**<br>Stretch and relaxation exercises provided on a DVD, 30 min of practice 5 days/wk for 6 wk, plus weekly observations | Handwriting amplitude assessed by a touch-sensitive tablet and paper-and-pencil (SOS) test at postintervention and 6-wk follow-up | Significant treatment-related improvements were found for various measures of handwriting amplitude assessed by the tablet; the intervention group had increased amplitude at postintervention and follow-up compared with the control group and with baseline (ps \(< .05 \)). The intervention group had increased writing size on the SOS test at postintervention compared with the control group, \( F = 3.69, p = .034 \), and with baseline (\( p = .037 \)). |
| Author/Year       | Level of Evidence/Study Design and Risk of Bias/Participants/Inclusion Criteria/Setting | Intervention and Control | Outcome Measures | Results                                                                 |
|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Ziliotto et al. (2015) | Level 2b, 2 groups, nonrandomized; moderate risk of bias                               | Intervention             | Handwriting amplitude, progressive reduction, direction, surface area, superior margin, force exerted, and velocity assessed using a written phrase postintervention | At postintervention, the handwriting group had significantly increased writing amplitude, surface area, and superior margin compared with the control group and with baseline (p ≤ .02). No significant treatment-related effects were found in progressive reduction, direction, force exerted, or velocity (data not reported). |
| Disbrow et al. (2012) | Level 3b, 1 group, pretest–posttest; moderate risk of bias                               | Intervention             | IADL performance assessed by the TIADL postintervention | No significant treatment-related improvements were found on the TIADL (data not reported). |
| Hindle et al. (2018)   | Level 2b, 3-arm, single-blind pilot RCT; low risk of bias                               | Intervention             | IADL function assessed by the FAQ at 6 mo postrandomization | No significant treatment-related improvements were found on the FAQ (data not reported). |

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- **Disbrow et al. (2012)**
  - Intervention: Computer-based motor sequencing and switching training, 40 min 5 days/wk over 12–14 days (10 sessions total)
  - Control: No control

- **Hindle et al. (2018)**
  - Intervention Group 1: Cognitive rehabilitation consisting of compensatory strategies and/or restorative approaches, 1 hr 1×/wk for 8 wk
  - Group 2: Relaxation therapy consisting of progressive muscle relaxation and breathing exercises, 1 hr 1×/wk for 8 wk
  - Control: Standard care

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Table A.1. Evidence Table for the Systematic Review of Interventions Within the Scope of Occupational Therapy Practice for IADLs for Adults With PD (Cont.)

| Author/Year | Level of Evidence/Study Design and Risk of Bias/Participants/Inclusion Criteria/Setting | Intervention and Control | Outcome Measures | Results |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|---------|
| Paris et al. (2011) Level 2b Blind multicenter RCT; low risk of bias N = 33 (M age = 65; 50% male) Intervention group, n = 18 allocated, with 16 completing postintervention assessment Control group, n = 15 allocated, with 12 completing postintervention assessment Inclusion Criteria Ages 50–80 yr; H&Y Stage I–III; not receiving any other cognitive, psychological, speech, or physical treatment; MMSE score ≥23; WAIS–III vocabulary score ≥40; GDS–15 score ≤10; not on anticholinergic medication; no changes in medication during study; completed 75% of the training Intervention Setting Hospital movement disorders unit and home, Spain | Intervention Computerized cognitive training using the SmartBrain tool, paper-and-pencil and homework exercises to stimulate cognitive domains affected by PD, and nonspecific cognitive exercises, 45 min 3×/wk for 4 wk (12 sessions total), plus weekly homework exercise and weekly individual tutored sessions Control Speech therapy aimed at awareness of speech and communication difficulties, 45 min 3×/wk for 4 wk (12 sessions total), plus weekly homework exercise and weekly individual tutored sessions | Difficulty with everyday cognition (including some IADLs) assessed by the CDS postintervention | No significant treatment-related improvements were found on the CDS (d = 0.09, F = 0.06, p = .81). |

Individualized Occupational Therapy Interventions

| Clarke et al. (2016) Level 1b Multicenter, pragmatic, open-label RCT; moderate risk of bias N = 762 (M age = 70; 65% male) Intervention group, n = 381 allocated, with 350 completing 3-mo assessment Control group, n = 381 allocated, with 349 completing 3-mo assessment Inclusion Criteria Idiopathic PD, self- or caregiver-reported limitations in ADLs, no diagnosis of dementia, uncertainty about need for OT or PT services, no OT or PT services received in previous 12 mo Intervention Setting Community and/or outpatient, United Kingdom | Intervention Tailored OT and PT intervention using the National Health Service European guidelines Control No therapy | IADL function assessed by the NEADL Kitchen Activity and Domestic Tasks domains at 3, 9, and 15 mo postrandomization (primary outcome, 3 mo) | No significant treatment-related improvements were found for the NEADL total score (difference = 0.5, 95% CI [−0.74, 1.7], p = .41) or any of the NEADL domains (Kitchen Activities difference = 0.005, 95% CI [−0.3, 0.3], p = .97; Domestic Tasks difference = 0.5, 95% CI [−0.06, 1.0], p = .08) at 3 mo or across all time points. |

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| Author/Year            | Level of Evidence/Study Design and Risk of Bias/Participants/Inclusion Criteria/Setting | Intervention and Control | Outcome Measures                                                                 | Results                                                                                       |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sturkenboom et al.     | Multicenter, assessor-blind RCT; low risk of bias                                      | Intervention             | IADL participation assessed by the ACS % Instrumental Activities Retained score    | The intervention group had significantly better ACS % Instrumental Activities Retained compared with the control group after the intervention (M difference = 5.9%, 95% CI [8%, 10%], \( p = .006 \)). There was no effect for the PRPP (M difference = 0.8%, 95% CI [−7.5, 9.0], \( p = .848 \)). |
|                        | N = 191 (Men age = 70.5; 62% male)                                                     | Control                  | IADL performance assessed by the PRPP at 3 mo postrandomization                  |                                                                                               |
|                        | Intervention group, n = 124 allocated, with 122 completing 3-mo assessment             |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                                               |
|                        | Control group, n = 67 allocated, with 63 completing 3-mo assessment                   |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                                               |
|                        | Inclusion Criteria                                                                    |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                                               |
|                        | Living at home, reporting difficulties in meaningful daily activities, typical          |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                                               |
|                        | parkinsonism, had not received OT in preceding 3 mo, no predominant disabling          |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                                               |
|                        | comorbidity, sufficient understanding of the Dutch language, MMSE score ≥ 24         |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                                               |
|                        | Intervention Setting                                                                  |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                                               |
|                        | Home, Netherlands                                                                     |                          |                                                                                   |                                                                                               |

*Note:* ACE-III = Addenbrooke’s Cognitive Examination–III; ACS = Activity Card Sort; ADLs = activities of daily living; CDS = Cognitive Difficulties Scale; CI = confidence interval; DLB = dementia with Lewy bodies; FAQ = Functional Activities Questionnaire; GDS-15 = 15-item Geriatric Depression Scale; H&Y = Hoehn & Yahr; IADLs = instrumental activities of daily living; IPA = Impact on Participation and Autonomy Questionnaire; IPAQ = International Physical Activity Questionnaire; LLFDI = Late-Life Function and Disability Instrument; MADRS = Montgomery–Asberg Depression Rating Scale; MDS-UPDRS = Movement Disorder Society Unified Parkinson’s Disease Rating Scale; MET = metabolic equivalent; MMAS–4 = Morisky Medication Adherence Scale–4; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; MoCA = Montreal Cognitive Assessment; NEADL = Nottingham Extended Activities of Daily Living Scale; OR = odds ratio; OT = occupational therapy; PASS = Physical Activity Status Scale; PD = Parkinson’s disease; PDD = Parkinson’s disease dementia; PIQ = Pfeffer Instrumental Activities Questionnaire; PRPP = Perceive, Recall, Plan, Perform; PT = physical therapist/therapy; RCT = randomized controlled trial; SOS = Systematic Screening of Handwriting Difficulties; TIADL = Timed Instrumental Activities of Daily Living Tasks; TMIG = Tokyo Metropolitan Institute of Gerontology; WAIS–III = Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale, 3rd ed.; YPAS = Yale Physical Activity Survey.

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### Table A.2. Risk-of-Bias Table for Randomized and Nonrandomized Controlled Trials

| Citation                          | Random Sequence Generation | Allocation Concealment | Baseline Differences Between Intervention Groups | Performance Bias | Detection Bias | Attrition Bias: Incomplete Outcome Data | Reporting Bias: Selective Reporting | Overall Risk of Bias |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| **Physical Activity Interventions** |                             |                        |                                                  |                  |               |                                         |                                    |                      |
| Canning et al. (2015)            | +                           | +                      | +                                                | +                | +            | –                                       | +                                  | L                    |
| Cheung et al. (2018)             | +                           | +                      | –                                                | –                | –            | –                                       | +                                  | L                    |
| Demonceau et al. (2017)          | –                           | –                      | +                                                | –                | +            | +                                       | +                                  | M                    |
| Foster et al. (2013)             | +                           | –                      | +                                                | –                | –            | +                                       | +                                  | L                    |
| Goodwin et al. (2011)            | +                           | –                      | –                                                | –                | +            | +                                       | +                                  | M                    |
| Li et al. (2014)                 | +                           | +                      | –                                                | –                | +            | +                                       | +                                  | L                    |
| Nascimento et al. (2014)         | –                           | –                      | ?                                                | –                | –            | +                                       | –                                  | M                    |
| Reuter et al. (2011)             | +                           | –                      | +                                                | –                | –            | +                                       | +                                  | M                    |
| Ridgel et al. (2016)             | –                           | –                      | +                                                | –                | +            | +                                       | +                                  | M                    |
| van Nimwegen et al. (2013)       | +                           | +                      | –                                                | –                | +            | +                                       | +                                  | L                    |
| **Specific IADL-Focused Interventions** |                             |                        |                                                  |                  |               |                                         |                                    |                      |
| Collett et al. (2017)            | +                           | +                      | +                                                | –                | –            | +                                       | +                                  | L                    |
| Daley et al. (2014)              | +                           | +                      | +                                                | –                | –            | –                                       | +                                  | M                    |
| Nackaerts et al. (2016)          | +                           | –                      | +                                                | –                | –            | +                                       | +                                  | M                    |
| Ziliotto et al. (2015)           | –                           | –                      | –                                                | –                | –            | +                                       | +                                  | M                    |
| **Cognitive Rehabilitation Interventions** |                             |                        |                                                  |                  |               |                                         |                                    |                      |
| Hindle et al. (2018)             | +                           | +                      | +                                                | –                | –            | –                                       | +                                  | L                    |
| Paris et al. (2011)              | +                           | ?                      | +                                                | –                | +            | +                                       | +                                  | L                    |
| **Individualized Occupational Therapy Interventions** |                             |                        |                                                  |                  |               |                                         |                                    |                      |
| Clarke et al. (2016)             | +                           | +                      | +                                                | –                | –            | –                                       | +                                  | M                    |
| Sturkenboom et al. (2014)        | +                           | +                      | +                                                | –                | –            | +                                       | +                                  | L                    |

**Note:** Categories for risk of bias: + = low risk of bias; ? = unclear risk of bias; – = high risk of bias. IADL = instrumental activity of daily living; L = low overall risk of bias (0–3 minuses); M = moderate overall risk of bias (4–6 minuses). Risk-of-bias table format adapted from “Assessing Risk of Bias in Included Studies,” by J. P. T. Higgins, D. G. Altman, and J. A. C. Sterne, in *Cochrane Handbook for Systematic Reviews of Interventions* (Version 5.1.0), by J. P. T. Higgins and S. Green (Eds.), March 2011. [https://handbook-5.1.cochrane.org/](https://handbook-5.1.cochrane.org/). Copyright © 2011 by The Cochrane Collaboration.

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| Citation                        | Study Question or Objective Clear | Eligibility or Selection Criteria Clearly Described | Participants Representative of Real-World Patients | All Eligible Participants Enrolled | Sample Size Appropriate for Confidence in Findings | Intervention Clearly Described and Delivered Consistently | Outcome Measures Prespecified, Defined, Valid and Reliable, and Assessed Consistently | Assessors Blinded to Participant Exposure to Intervention | Loss to Follow-up After Baseline ≤20% | Statistical Methods Examine Changes in Outcome Measures From Before to After Intervention | Outcome Measures Were Collected Multiple Times Before and After Intervention | Overall Risk of Bias Assessment |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Colón-Semenza et al. (2018)   | Y                                | Y                                                    | NR                                           | Y                                | N                                                | Y                                                      | Y                                                             | N                                        | Y                              | N                                             | M                                       | L                               |
| Nakae & Tsushima (2014)       | Y                                | Y                                                    | Y                                            | NR                               | N                                                | N                                                      | Y                                                             | N                                        | N                              | Y                                             | N                                       | M                               |
| Pretzer-Aboff et al. (2011)   | Y                                | Y                                                    | Y                                            | N                                | Y                                                | Y                                                      | Y                                                             | N                                        | Y                              | Y                                             | L                                       | L                               |
| Disbrow et al. (2012)         | Y                                | Y                                                    | Y                                            | NR                               | Y                                                | Y                                                      | N                                                             | N                                        | Y                              | Y                                             | N                                       | M                               |

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**Note:** N = no; NR = not reported; Y = yes. Adding Yes scores for each item and dividing by 11 yields an overall risk-of-bias rating: L = low overall risk (76%–100%), M = moderate overall risk (26%–75%). Risk-of-bias tool adapted from *Quality Assessment Tool for Before–After (Pre–Post) Studies With No Control Group*, by National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, n.d. [https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health-topics/study-quality-assessment-tools](https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health-topics/study-quality-assessment-tools)

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