

Multi-Component Upper Extremity Intervention

Author, Year, Country, Design, PEDro score, Rating	Sample Size	Intervention	Outcomes and significance: (+) significant (-) not significant
<p>Maitre et al., 2020</p> <p>USA</p> <p>RCT</p> <p>7/10</p> <p>High quality</p>	<p>N = 72</p> <p>Age at enrollment: 6 to 24 months</p> <p>CP diagnosis: 100%</p> <p>CP Type: Unilateral or quadriplegic CP</p> <p>GMFCS (Gross Motor Function Classification System) Level: N/A</p>	<p>Multi-component upper extremity (UE) intervention (n=37)</p> <p>vs.</p> <p>Bimanual play (n=38)</p> <p><u>Intervention details:</u></p> <p><i>Multi-component UE intervention:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bimanual play with suggested toys without the C-Mitt (20 min/day). • Soft-constraint harness (C-Mitt) worn 6 h/day total • Reaching with gradual motor difficulty introduced by decreasing size and depth (10-20 min/day). • Reaching with the more affected and non-constrained hand in a mitten made “sticky” with Velcro 75% full-reach distance (shoulder level) on an adjustable tray and with objects (also with Velcro) of increasing weight and size challenge for sensory reinforcement (10–20 min/day). • Education of caregivers on principles of positive parenting psychology, “just-right challenge,” positive reinforcement, transactional interactions and emotional availability. <p><i>Waitlist group:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infants in the waitlist group were provided only the first intervention component (i.e., bimanual play with suggested toys for 20 minutes/day). 	<p>Post intervention (4 weeks):</p> <p><i>Reach smoothness</i></p> <p>(+) Affected arm reach smoothness: kinematic measures of reach</p> <p>(+) Less affected arm reach smoothness: kinematic measures of reach</p> <p><i>Fine Motor</i></p> <p>(+) Unimanual fine motor capacity: Bayley measure</p> <p><i>Somatosensory processing</i></p> <p>(-) P200: measure of tactile perception at contralateral electrode cluster</p>