UNIT 5 - MUSCULAR SYSTEM **TERMINOLOGY**

Prefixes, Suffixes, and Root Words	tend/o
,	tendin/o
a	tetan
ab	ton/o
ad	tri
-algia	-trophy
ambul	. ,
-asthenia	Medical Terms
bi	abduction
blephar/o	adduction
brady	ambulate
-cardia	aphasia
cardi/o	atrophy
-duction	blepharospasm
dys	bradycardia
electr/o	bradykinesia
end/o	dysphagia
epi	dysphasia
fasci/o	dystrophy
fibr/o	electromyogram
-gram	
hemi	endomysium
hyper	epimysium
-ic	fascia
-itis	fibromyalgia
-ium	hemiplegia
kinesi/o	hypertrophy
lei/o	kinesiology
metr/i	leiomyoma
my/o	myalgia
-ology	myasthenia
-oma	myocardium
para	myoma
peri	myometrium
-phagia	myorrhexis
-phasia	paraplegia
-plasty	perimysium
-plegia	phrenic
quad	quadriplegia
-rrhexis	sarcolemma
sarc/o	tachycardia
-spasm	tendinitis
tachy	tendinoplasty
ten/o	tetanus

Medical Abbreviations

amb	
CNS	
GI	
HR	
IM	
K	
kg.	
lb.	
MI	
Na	
Р	
PK	
RICE	

Prefixes, Suffixes, and Root Words KEY		ton/o tri	tension, pressure three
a	without, absence of	-trophy	development
ab	from, away from	портту	actoropinon.
ad	to, toward		
-algia	pain	Medical Tern	ne
ambul -asthenia	walking weakness, lack of strength	abduction	movement away from (the midline)
bi	two	adduction	movement towards (the
blephar/o	eyelids	adddollon	midline)
brady	slow	ambulate	to walk
-cardia	heart	aphasia	without speech
cardi/o	heart	atrophy	without development
-duction	movement	• •	m involuntary contraction of
dys	bad, painful, difficult	ысрпагозраз	the eyelid
electr/o	electricity	bradycardia	slow heart
end/o	within, inside	bradykinesia	slow movement
		dysphagia	difficulty swallowing or eating
epi fassi/s	on, upon		, ,
fasci/o	fascia, fibrous bands	dysphasia	difficulty speaking or talking
fibr/o	fiber	dystrophy	bad development (refers to
-gram	recorded picture		the disorders when muscle
hemi	half		development ceases or
hyper	above	-14	slows beyond the normal).
-ic	pertaining to	electromyogra	am recording of the electrical
-itis	inflammation of		activity of the muscles
-ium	pertaining to (not on the	endomysium	pertaining to within the
1	words list).		muscles
kinesi/o	movement	epimysium	pertaining to on or upon the
-kinesia	movement	Caracia.	muscles
lei/o	smooth	fascia	fascia or fibrous bands
metr/i	uterine tissue	fibromyalgia	pain in the muscle fibers
my/o	muscle	hemiplegia	half paralyzed (which usually
-ology	study of		refers to the left side or the
-oma	tumor		right side of the body being
para	beyond (when used with		paralyzed).
	plegia refers to two limbs)	hypertrophy	over development
peri 	around	kinesiology	study of movement or motion
-phagia	eating, swallowing	leiomyoma	tumors of the smooth muscle
-phasia	speaking	myalgia	muscle pain
-plasty	surgical repair	myasthenia 	muscle weakness
-plegia	paralysis	myocardium	referring to the heart muscle
quad	four	myoma	tumor of the muscles
-rrhexis	rupture	myometrium	muscular uterine tissue
sarc/o	flesh, muscle	myorrhexis	rupture of the muscles
-spasm	sudden, involuntary muscular contraction	paraplegia	beyond paralysis (refers to the paralysis of two limbs,
tachy	rapid, swift		usually the legs).
ten/o	tendon	perimysium	pertaining to around the
tend/o	tendon	•	muscles
tendin/o	tendon		
tetan	stiff		

phrenic pertaining to the diaphragm quadriplegia paralysis of four (referring to

the paralysis of all four limbs)

sarcolemma muscle (flesh) membrane

tachycardia rapid heart

tendinitis inflammation of the tendon tendinoplasty surgical repair of the tendon tetanus condition of stiffness (Refers

to constant muscle

contractions)

Medical Abbreviations

amb ambulate

CNS central nervous system

GI gastrointestinal
HR heart rate
IM intramuscular
K potassium
kg kilogram
Ib pound

MI myocardial infarction

Na sodium
P pulse
PK pain killer

RICE rest, ice, compression, and

elevation