CELINA RAAF

MASSAGE THERAPIST

Celine came to the United States from Paraguay in 2002. Her interest in massage began when she received her first-ever professional massage from her uncle in Maryland. From that moment, she knew that this was something she wanted to do.

She enrolled in the Potomac Massage Training Institute in 2009. It was a challenge for her because English was not her first language, but she persisted and soon learned that she had a natural talent for massage.

Shortly after graduation, she passed her national certification examination (NCBTMB) and acquired her Maryland and District of Columbia licenses. In addition to working at PMTI, her experience includes massage contracting for Whole Foods, local hospices, as well as volunteer work in the Washington Metropolitan area. She also serves private massage clients in Montgomery and Howard counties.



Although taking continuing education courses is a legal requirement, she enjoys learning new techniques and finding ways to improve so that she can provide greater benefits to her clients. The ability to provide excellent service involves more than the physical skill of massage. It includes the ability to listen to the needs of each client, to touch in such a way that puts the person at ease, and to ensure that he or she has the best experience possible.

"My interests include running for fitness purposes; however, I have won a half dozen 5k races in my age division over the last several years and enjoy the competition. In 2007, I experienced the Caribbean for the first time and now make a habit of returning to the beautiful beaches as much as I can. Family is the most important thing to me and with 11 siblings and 15 nieces and nephews, I spend a lot of time enjoying them by phone and through social media.