

## The University of Findlay Traditional DPT Program Weekend PTA to DPT Bridge Program

January 15, 2019

Dear Site Coordinator of Clinical Education and Clinical Instructors,

Another new year! We wish all of you a productive year of physical therapy practice and clinical experiences. The University of Findlay is pleased to announce our new chair, Dr. Harvey Wallmann. Dr. Wallmann has been in physical therapy education for over 20 years and has extensive experience in higher education administration, founding both the University of Nevada, Las Vegas and Western Kentucky University DPT programs. He also holds certifications as a Certified Athletic Trainer, a Certified Strength Conditioning Specialist, and is a Board Certified Clinical Specialist in Sports Physical Therapy emeritus. In addition, we have hired new faculty, including Dr. Amy Schlessman who brings her pediatric expertise and Dr. Nicole Shroeder who brings her orthopedic knowledge to our programs. Our new clinical partner to assist with the clinical education special interest group to the APTA is Dr. Zachary Hughes.

We are also sorry to announce the former DCE of the traditional program, Professor Jean Weaver, is no longer able to work and serve in this capacity due to health reasons. She enjoyed working with all of you very much and was thankful to have the opportunity to serve our profession with all of you. She sends her heartfelt greetings. Dr. Allison Durham has most graciously agreed to take on this role as our new Director of Clinical Education for the traditional DPT program.

The DPT program **2018 accomplishments** have included the following:

- **Basic Clinical Instructor and Credentialing Seminar**, presented in February 2018 by D. George with twenty highly motivated participants.
- Presentation at the **Teaching Symposium**, The University of Findlay, entitled Progression of Professionalism with Diverse Learners on March 24, 2018, team-taught by D. George, J. Weaver, and K. Volansky
- Presentation at the **Teaching Symposium**, University of Findlay, entitled Custom Information Portals: A Case Study, on March 24, 2018, a collaborative study with Quintus R, and George D.

- A **Health and Wellness camp** was held for a Navajo community in Gamerco, NM from July 30 to August 5, 2018. We appreciate all the donations, especially the pediatric equipment from **Akron Children's Hospital**; wheelchairs from **Lima ESC**; toothbrushes from **Dr. Jeff Hoyda**; and a monetary donation from **Walmarts**.
- **Grand Rounds** were held in November 2018 with the speaker, Alex Rospert presenting the latest information concerning chronic pain of the pediatric client.
  
- Multiple **publications** including the following:
  - D. George. Social interactions with a global perspective. *Global Health - An Online Journal for the Digital Age*. May 29, 2018.
  - Young S, VanWye WR, Wallmann HW. Sport simulation improves balance and coordination in a geriatric athlete after stroke: a case report. *Physiotherapy Theory and Practice*. DOI: [10.1080/09593985.2018.1488322](https://doi.org/10.1080/09593985.2018.1488322).
  - VanWye WR, Wallmann HW, Norris E, Furgal K. Physical therapist examination reveals a nerve injury in a patient with a chief complaint of knee pain following dilation and curettage. A case report. *Physiotherapy Theory and Practice*. DOI: 10.1080/09593985.2018.1477891.
  - Furgal K, Norris E, Young S, Wallmann HW. Relative and absolute reliability of the professionalism in Physical Therapy Core Values Self-Assessment Tool. *Journal of Allied Health*. 47(1):e45–e48, 2018.
  
- Multiple **presentations** at the National and State levels by our **students**:
  - George D, Bennett M, Courey S, Hughes Z, Moore S, Sumerak J, Weir S, Wright CM, Nyman E, Koehler B, Luke J. [Poster] A Pilot Study: Gait Analysis of Computerized and Mechanical Knee Mechanisms. APTA NEXT Conference, Orlando, FL June 2018.
  - George D, Gray K, Smith D, Cloud B, Etling K, Ingerly W, Long A, Bauman B, Nyman E, Koehler B, Stump M. [Poster] Comparison of Shoe Cushioning using Lower Extremity Muscle Activation. APTA NEXT Conference, Orlando, FL June 2018.
  - Sweeney JR, C Crank, T McGahan, RS Van Zant. Rehabilitation of ACL Reconstruction with Medial and Lateral Meniscus Repairs and Posterior Lateral Corner Laxity and Injury in A High School Athlete: A Retrospective Case Report. Clinical abstract. Indiana and Kentucky Physical Therapy Associations Joint Conference, Louisville, KY 2018.
  - Van Zant RS, W Colchagoff, M Kunich, T Kunz, M Marshall, S McDermott, T Myers, B Sunga. Metabolic and cardiovascular effects of body weight support treadmill

- walking in healthy adults. Scientific abstract. ACSM National Meeting, Minneapolis, MN 2018.
- Boyd, R, K Petrosky, RS Van Zant. The use of electrical dry needling and cervical joint mobilizations to treat cervicogenic headaches: A prospective case report. Clinical abstract. APTA Combined Sections Meeting, New Orleans, LA 2018.
  - Kendall E, Odeh, C, James D Lammers J. Pediatric Content Delivery: The Who, When, and How of Teaching in DPT Programs. Results from the Task Force on Pediatric Content Delivery within DPT Programs. APTA Education Leadership Conference, Jacksonville, FL October, 2018.
  - Lammers J, Elchert L. Fitness, wellness, and health promotion: What are pediatric physical therapists doing? Presented at the American Physical Therapy Association Combined Section Meeting. New Orleans LA February 2018 .
  
  - O'Brien, Jamie PT, DPT, NCS; Durham, Allison PT, DPT, RN. Developing Student Leadership Skills Including Enhancing Student Confidence in Exercise Prescription and Improving Student Communication. Poster Presentation. Educational Leadership Conference. October 2018.
  - Fleming Walsh, Sharon PT, DsC; Lewis, Kelsey SDPT; Montvilas, Abbigayle SDPT; Ostheimer, Peyton SDPT; Poeppelman, Grace SDPT; Rinehart, Shaela SDPT; Schwemley, Kymberly SDPT; O'Brien, Jamie PT, DPT, NCS. Long- Term Effects of LSVT BIG® on Muscle Activation and Functional Mobility in People with Parkinson's Disease. Poster Presentation. NEXT APTA Annual Conference, Orlando, FL June 2018.
  - Fleming Walsh, Sharon PT, DsC; Baker, Andrew DPT; Cole, Kylie DPT; Donaldson, Stephanie SDPT; Sayre, Josh DPT; O'Brien, Jamie PT, DPT, NCS. Changes in Muscle Activation and Functional Measures After LSVT BIG® Treatment in Subjects with Parkinson's Disease. Poster Presentation. NEXT APTA Annual Conference; Orlando, FL June 2018.

Please mark your calendars for the **upcoming continuing education opportunities:**

1. **Research Forum – February 28, 2019** from 4:00-7:00pm; the forum showcases platform and poster presentations by the DPT students of the Class of 2019
2. **CI Basic Credentialing Course - March 4 and 5, 2019** at The University of Findlay with Deborah George, PT, PhD, MS, DCE as the trainer.
3. **Spring Grand Rounds- April 26, 2019** with Ms. Maria Zenz, PT speaking on the topic, women's health.
4. **The Ohio Kentucky Consortium of Physical Therapy Programs'** website has many clinical education resources. [www.okptce.com](http://www.okptce.com).



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We greatly appreciate all you do for physical therapy students and the profession of physical therapy. Thanks for partnering with us!

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