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Dear Center Coordinators of Clinical Education and Clinical Instructors,

May the New Year bring you many blessings, including wonderful clinical education experiences. The faculty, staff, and students of the University of Findlay Physical Therapy Program wish you well and trust your new year is off to a wonderful start!

The University of Findlay Physical Therapy Program has had the pleasure of welcoming three new faculty members including: Dr. Jamie O'Brien, who has much experience in cardiopulmonary and neurological practice; Dr. Allison Durham, who was a nurse prior to becoming a physical therapist and brings much experience in acute care and general practice; and finally, Mr. Dave Verhoff, who is an orthopedic certified specialist.

- **The DPT program 2015 accomplishments** have included the following: Twenty clinical educators became **credentialed Clinical Instructors** at the university in March, with the two trainers, Ms. Susan Hartman and Dr. Deborah George.
- In April, we hosted the **Spring Grand Rounds** featuring Dr. Dan Karapondo, a visiting professor; entitled "The GI Tract in Health and Disease: Implications for Treatment of a Child with Autism."
- This Fall, Dr. Michael Stump and Ms. Nicole Alexander, PT teamed up to present the a well-received **Fall Grand Rounds**, concerning concussion management.
- Both Dr. Deborah George and Professor Jean Weaver spoke at a **Consortium of OH/KY PT Schools'** event in October; designed to explore essential functions for the Clinical Educator.
- The **Clinical Education web site** was specifically designed for you, our Clinical Educators. Simply go to the link: <http://www.findlay.edu/healthprofessions/physicaltherapy/> and click on the button labelled, Clinical Educators. It also has a link to our Consortium of OH/KY PT Schools website, as well as, our clinical education syllabi. Let us know if there's anything else that you would like to see for this web site.
- Finally, during the 2014/2015 academic year, the physical therapy program had one student peer-reviewed publication, 7 National Presentations, & 2 State Presentations, involving 23 DPT students.

Planned continuing education opportunities at the University of Findlay for 2016 are:

- **Research Forum**, showcases platform & posters presentations by the DPT students of the Class of 2016, scheduled on February 25, 2016 from 4-6:30 at the university's Alumni Memorial Union.
- **Basic CI Education and Credentialing course** to be held at the university's Winebrenner building on April 4 & 5, 2016, with the instructor, Dr. Deborah George. See the attached flyer & participant dossier.
- **Spring Grand Rounds** will involve complex clinical cases and critical thinking; look for more information coming in the future. Both the *Research Forum* and the *Spring Grand Rounds* have free CEUs.

Any questions regarding the above mentioned learning opportunities, please contact Ms. Jill Vaughan at 419-434-4641 or email her at vaughan@findlay.edu.

Our program does have access to the web-based version of the CSIF, however, if you prefer you may directly email an updated **Clinical Site Information Form (CSIF)** OR simply email the attached contact information update sheet. You may return either form to Ms. Jill Vaughan either through use of her email address or faxed with 419-434-4336. It's important for you to update your information; as our accreditation visit is upcoming, next year.

The University of Findlay's faculty and students truly appreciate all your time and efforts with the development of the clinical education program for our PT students. Thank you for your support of not only University of Findlay, but also the Physical Therapy profession!

Sincerely,

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