ORFSIG MEMBERS,

First, I want to thank all of those who ran for our first ever election and appreciate all of you who went out and voted. As a result of these efforts, it is my pleasure to announce our new leaders of the ORFSIG.

President: Matt Haberl, DPT, ATC, CSCS, OCS, FAAOMPT
VP/Ed Chair: Kathleen Geist, PT, DPT, OCS, FAAOMPT

Nominating Committee:
- 1-year term: Matt L. Stark, PT, DPT, FAAOMPT, OCS
- 2-year term: Melissa Dreger, PT, DPT, OCS
- 3-year term: Mary Derrick, PT, DPT, OCS, FAAOMPT

As you all know the annual Combined Section Meeting (CSM) is just around the corner. This year we head to “The Big Easy” of New Orleans, LA. The ORFSIG will kick off the CSM with our Pre-con Course—“Trust in Your Thrust” on Wednesday, February 21st at 8:00 a.m. Please help fill this course with promotion to our interested students, new grad or any of your residents looking for some additional hands on manual therapy practice. We will also be talking with interested potential residents about the advantages of residency and fellowship education.

This CSM will mark yet another busy year for Residency and Fellowship Education. One key item will be our first official meeting as a Special Interest Group with our newly elected officers.

Save the Date:
- Friday, February 23rd at 7:00 a.m. for our ORFSIG Business Meeting
  - New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center Room 224.

Other important events at CSM to put on your schedule include:
- Thursday, February 22nd
  - 8:00 a.m. Education Section Residency and Fellowship SIG Meeting
    - New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center Room 224
  - 1:50 p.m. Sports Section Residency and Fellowship Education SIG Meeting
    - New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center Room 217
- Friday, February 23rd
  - 6:45 a.m. Academy of Neurological PT Residency Collaboration Breakfast
    - Hilton Riverside—Room: Grand Ballroom D
  - 7:00 a.m. Residency/Fellowship Accreditation Management System Overview
    - New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center Room 214

- Please note—this does run simultaneous to our ORFSIG meeting but is intended to be a demonstration only. Programs will be able to get individualized assistance as needed once this program is available per Kendra Harrington of ABPTRFE.

ORTHOPAEDIC RESIDENCY/FELLOWSHIP

OTHER BUSINESS

1. **ABPTRFE release of FAQs and Crosswalk documents to provide direction with the new Quality Standards.**
   - ORFSIG is meeting alongside the other Residency and Fellowship Leadership at CSM this year. Please provide any thoughts or questions regarding these forms or other questions with the new Quality Standards.

2. **Website Development:** Check out our new website! Here we will have resources to ORFSIG meetings, ABPTRFE updates, curriculum packages, grants, etc. This will be our HUB of information for both current programs as well as developing programs.

3. **ABPTRFE New Quality Standards including a Description of Residency Practice: Orthopedics discussion with Practice Committee.**
   - ORFSIG is working with the Practice Committee Chair regarding concerns about new requirements for residency and fellowship programs to adhere to specific patient populations and patient diagnoses to maintain accreditation. Several programs have reported concern regarding the new reporting standards to go into effect January 2018.

4. **Education Section Residency and Fellowship Special Interest Group (RFSIG) Collaboration**
   - RFSIG HUB: Has created a location for discussion across Residency/Fellowship (R/F) education for communication regarding curriculum, mentorship, and shared resources. Programs however must be members of the Education Section RFSIG to engage in discussion. We are working on a more simplistic way for program discussion as the ORFSIG communication Facebook platform is limited to individuals with Facebook profiles. Here is a link to the Education Section RFSIG HUB.
   - **RFSIG Think Tank:** The RFSIG is trying to organize key members to assist in ideas for curriculum development, mentorship, and research from each Section. The ORFSIG and Residency/Fellowship Representative – Molly Malloy attended the first meeting at the Education Leadership Conference and will be assisting with areas of curriculum development. Stay tuned for more to come on this.
   - **Residency and Fellowship Specific Webinars:** The first Webinar was held by the RFSIG at the beginning of October. Kris Porter of the ORFSIG was able to attend and assist in additional discussion regarding mentorship. This course was provided to also assist developing mentors from the APTA Course titled: “Successful Mentorship.” We will continue to work with Carol Jo Tichenor, Vice President of the RFSIG in developing an online discussion board for R/F education.
5. **OPTP Quarterly Submissions:** We had our first Case report submitted to OPTP to highlight R/F work. We look forward to future submissions.
   a. **Please submit Case Reports/research to Kimberly Bennett via kbennett@u.washington.edu.** Further information regarding OP Case Report submissions can be found on our Facebook page and on the Orthopaedic Section website at: https://www.orthopt.org/content/membership/publications

6. **Strategic Planning:** We will focus on strategic planning following elections to continue the progression of the ORFSIG.
   We hope everyone can make it to the ORFSIG Meeting This meeting will be one of many to come to review and discuss our strategic planning for the future of the SIG. Looking forward to seeing all of you in New Orleans!

   Matt Haberl
   Chair, ORFSIG

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- **Interfacing Engineering Technology and Rehabilitation:**
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  Randy Trumbower, PT, PhD; Denise M. Peters, PT, PhD;
  Steven L. Wolf, PT, PhD, FAPTA

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  Nana Takenaka-Niganawa, PT, PhD; Akira Ito, PT, PhD;
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