

**CSM Board of Directors Meeting  
January 2021  
Special Interest Group  
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**Foot and Ankle SIG (FASIG) Report  
2021 CSM Board of Directors Meeting**

**Submitted by:  
Christopher Neville, President  
Academy of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy**

**SIG Members and Terms:**

**President:**

Christopher Neville 2019-2022

**Vice President/Ed Chair:**

Jeff Houck 2020-2023

**Members:**

Stephanie Albin 2018-2021

Jennifer Zellers

Megan Peach

Open

**Update on SIG Activities since July 2020 Report:**

President Update - The updates below are submitted to provide an overview of the work completed by the FASIG since the July 2020 Board Meeting. The report of activities is organized using the FASIG strategic plan which was finalized in February 2018 and updated to be consistent with the revised AOPT Strategic Framework in January 2020.

**Goal 1: Research will ensure foot and ankle rehabilitation practice is current and evidence based.**

*(AOPT: Evidence to Best Practice and Positioning Members as Experts)*

- New Research Chair to be named at CSM 2021. Communication underway with candidates.
- Strategic Goal 1.1.a: CSM Educational submissions were provided to the Programming Committee from FASIG for CSM 2021.
- Strategic Goal 1.3.a. FASIG members delivered content for a webinar in December 2020. AOPT staff and Aimee Klein, FASIG Board Liaison, attended. Hosted by AOFAS. Agreement to co-brand and co-host webinars in 2021 is being encouraged. With our experience with AOFAS, the FASIG would like to host a webinar in 2021 using the AOPT online learning management system. Co-branding by AOFAS will be sought and all revenue and expenses will be managed by FASIG/AOPT.

**Goal 2: Develop and distribute resources that promote the optimal utilization of foot and ankle content in PT practice.** *(AOPT: Evidence to Best Practice and Positioning Members as Experts)*

- Strategic Goal 2.2.b,c. Fellowship in Foot and Ankle PT: The pilot practice analysis is nearing its final stages as the last few required surveys are being gathered. Results will be submitted to ABPTRFE in the first quarter of 2021.

- Megan Peach and the Practice Committee has been developing “info-graphics” for use by clinicians and patients. 2 have been completed and posted to the FASIG webpage. Future topics and drafts are being considered.

**Goal 3: FASIG will support relationships to meet strategic objectives. (AOPT Value and Payment, Positioning and Public Awareness)**

- Strategic Goal 3.1.b: the FASIG Lifetime Achievement Award will again be given in 2021 – currently reviewing potential awardees.
- Co-branding of continuing education is ongoing with AOFAS and the FASIG.

**Discussion Items for the Board:**

Webinar hosting in 2021 by FASIG. Will target May/June time frame. Speakers, schedule, and webinar planning will be underway in the first quarter of 2021. Will need to discuss and confirm current online learning platform capabilities and webinar functionality.

**Motions for the Board:**

NONE

**Imaging SIG (ISIG) Report  
2021 CSM Board of Directors Meeting**

**Submitted by:  
Charles Hazle, President-Imaging SIG  
Academy of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy, APTA**

**SIG Members and Terms:**

**President:**

Charles Hazel 2016-2022

**Vice President/Ed Chair:**

Marie Corkery 2016-2022

**Members:**

Mohini Rawat 2018-2021

Kimiko Yamada 2019-2022

Lynn McKinnis 2020-2023

**Update on SIG Activities since the June 2020 report:**

1. The manuscript arising out of the Imaging SIG educational sessions in Washington (2019) and Denver (2020) will be published in Physical Therapy in February 2021. This publication focuses on responsibilities accompanying the privileges of imaging referral and the communication requirements to refer for imaging along with the response to the results. "Referral for Imaging in Physical Therapist Practice: Key Recommendations for Successful Implementation" represents the effort of many individuals. We are seeking to allow this to become a regular practice wherein our Combined Sections Meeting Educational Sessions lead to a product in the peer-reviewed literature.
2. The video and document for the Imaging SIG's educational session for CSM 2021 have been submitted to APTA. We expect this session to attract considerable attention with its blend of state level advocacy and evidence on the value of imaging referral by physical therapists. The session is entitled, "Advances in Imaging Referral: Generating a New Pulse in Autonomous Physical Therapist Practice" and is moderated by Marie Corkery with presenters Aaron Keil, Steve Kareha, Kip Schick, Michelle Collie, and Evan Nelson. The live discussion session for this event will be Monday, February 15 from 9:30-10:00 PM. This session will be promoted to state leaders during and prior to CSM. An effort to achieve a publication from this work will also be pursued.
3. A one-day CSM post-conference course with co-sponsorship by the Imaging SIG will be held on Tuesday, March 2, 2021. The course will be conducted real time and is entitled "Next Level Clinical Reasoning: Integration of Diagnostic Ultrasound into Physical Therapist Practice" and will be presented by Mohini Rawat, Colin Rigney, and Jon Umlauf. This is an adaptation to the virtual format from our originally planned 2-day pre-conference course.
4. The Imaging SIG's Scholarship will be announced during CSM. This is the fourth year for the \$500 scholarship with 10 applications being considered for the scholarship relative to CSM 2021.

5. The recent election results for the Imaging SIG include Brian Young being elected Vice-President and Lance Mabry to the Nominating Committee, both terms are 2021-2024. Brian will take over for Marie Corkery as Marie leaves having completed the last year of Jim Elliott's elected term. Other transitions in leadership roles about to occur will be Mohini Rawat leaving the Nominating Committee and Kimiko Yamada subsequently assuming the Chair position.
6. The Imaging SIG's new strategic plan has been presented to the membership and is slowly accumulating votes toward adoption in its present form or reconsideration for revisions.
7. A survey on diagnostic ultrasound completed by physical therapists being reimbursed was completed in September and October with the results reported to AOPT President, Board Liaison, and Practice Committee. A meeting to discuss those results for possible action was held on Monday, December 14 with Bill Boissonnault (Executive Vice-President for Professional Affairs), Carmen Elliott (Vice-President for Payment), Alice Bell (Senior Payment Specialist), Marcia Spoto (Payment and Value Workgroup Chair) and Chuck Hazle (President of the Imaging SIG). A report was prepared by Marcia with input from Chuck Hazle for submission to the Board of Directors.
8. Work continues with AIUM and Inteleo. Specific content has been added to the Imaging SIG web pages and these two organizations will soon be launching physical therapist specific content. All of this is in effort to educate more physical therapists in use of MSK ultrasound toward proficient utilization of US to augment the clinical examination and eventually earn the RMSK credential.
9. The Research Committee has successfully pursued projects resulting in publication of one of its works: "A Survey of Physical Therapists' Attitudes, Knowledge, and Behaviors Regarding Diagnostic Imaging" by Sean Rundell, Murray Maitland, Robert Manske, George Beneck. This was e-published ahead of print in October 2020.
10. The Research Committee has also met with AIUM and Inteleo about researching an optimal pedagogy for physical therapists in learning ultrasound. Worthy of note is the Research Committee has secured a grant for investigating ultrasound learning strategies.
11. We are currently developing infographics with a group currently working on two documents to be published by April 2021.

**Discussion Items for the Board:**

None

**Motions for the Board:**

None

**Strategic Planning Updates:**

The new proposed strategic plan is posted on the Imaging SIG web pages and is receiving votes to either approve or revise further.

**Animal Physical Therapy SIG Report  
2021 CSM Board Meeting**

**Submitted by:  
Francisco Maia, President  
Academy of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy, APTA**

**SIG Members and Terms:**

**President:**

Francisco Maia, 2020-2022

**Vice President/Ed Chair:**

Jenny Jones 2020-2020

**Nominating Chair:**

Marilyn Miller 2019-2022

**Update on APTSIG Activities since June 2020:**

1. We have established 4 different standing committees per AOPT's SIG Rules of Order: Legislation, Research, Communications, and Membership. Each committee has 2 members who have started to work together with our leadership team in different projects including:
  - a. Legislation:
    - i. Reviewing the most recent data the SIG has regarding states legislation for physical therapists to work with animals by comparing the table from 2018 with a most recent one done by a physical therapy student who worked with Francisco for the student's capstone project
    - ii. Committee members and state liaisons will work together to review our data on each state's legislation for physical therapists to work with animals and update our document accordingly
  - b. Research:
    - i. Started to work on a research article database that will be accessible to members through our website
    - ii. Each month 2-3 new articles will be added to the database
    - iii. Started to discuss new ideas and projects to help with research in the field of animal physical therapy
  - c. Communications:
    - i. In coordination with AOPT, we started to publish regular content (2-3x/month) on social media to educate our members and the public at large in how physical therapists can also help animals
    - ii. Created a hashtag (#PT4Animals) to accompany our posts and help increase engagement with our posts. Members have been encouraged to start using that hashtag with their posts as well

- iii. Committee has started to reach out to members for social media content including “practice/clinician spotlights”, “success stories”, etc.
- d. Membership:
  - i. Developed a survey that was sent to our members on 12/15 and we will be collecting responses through 12/31
  - ii. In January, the committee will review the data so we can better learn more about the demographics of our members and how we can better serve them
  - iii. Started to update our State Liaison list, which is a couple of years old, and next we will contact those on the list to gage if they are still interested in continuing with that role. Next, we will work on recruiting liaisons, so we have someone representing all 50 states
- 2. Yeti Tumblers
  - a. We have placed an order for yeti tumblers, which was a project already in place earlier this year but had been put on hold with the changes in the President’s role, to be given as a gift for past leadership members for the work they accomplished with the SIG
- 3. List of Physical Therapy and Veterinary Practice Acts
  - a. Published on our website a PDF with links to all Practice Acts for all 50 states for easy access to members
- 4. International Association of Physical Therapists in Animal Practice
  - a. The IAPTAP, a sub-group of the World Confederation of Physical Therapy, is a worldwide organization that represents physical therapists working in this field
  - b. We have been working alongside our liaison for that group, Kirk Peck, to determine for future plans
- 5. American Association of Rehabilitation Veterinarians
  - a. The AARV is a national non-profit organization established in 2009 by veterinarians working in the field of animal rehabilitation
  - b. Most recently, Francisco learned that the AARV’s Model of Practice included the following statement: *“This model has been developed by the board of directors of the American Association of Rehabilitation Veterinarians in collaboration with the American Physical Therapy Association Animal Rehabilitation Special Interest Group.”* However, upon further inquiry with 2 of the most recent APTSIG Presidents (Kirk Peck and Amie Hesbach) who were in their roles between 2009 and 2013, when this document was put together, we learned that the AARV never took our edits into consideration and therefore the document was never completed in collaboration with us.
  - c. The leadership team has not had the time yet to discuss this issue and determine the next steps of action

- d. The AARV also announced through their email blast on 12/11/20 that they are re-establishing the role of Physical Therapy Liaison within their organization and are currently looking for volunteers.

**Discussion items for the board:**

N/A

**Motions for the Board:**

N/A



**Pain SIG (PSIG) Report  
2021 CSM Board of Directors Meeting**

**Submitted by:  
Nancy Durban, President  
Academy of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy**

**SIG Members and Terms:**

**President:**

Nancy Durban 2020-2023

**Vice President/Ed Chair:**

Mark Shepherd 2018-2021

**Members:**

Brett Neilson 2018-2021

Dana Dailey 2017-2020

Rebecca Vogslund 2019-2022

Max Jordan 2020-2023

Michelle Finnegan 2018-2021

Craig Wassinger 2018-2021

Derrick Sueki 2018-2021

**Officers:** We have two elected and two appointed outgoing officers. Vice President Mark Shepherd, PT, DPT, OCS, FAAOMPT; Nominating Chair Brett Neilson, PT, DPT, OCS, FAAOMPT and appointed PR Chair Derrick Sueki, PT, PhD, DPT, GCPT PT PhD and Practice Committee Chair Craig Wassinger. Craig will be staying on for another term.

- New officers have been elected and are:
  - Vice President, Eric Krueger, PT, DPT, MS, PhD
  - Nominating Committee Member: Meredith H. Perny, PT, DPT

We currently have other appointed positions open. The Nominating Committee will be reaching out to non-elected candidates and members to see who might be qualified and interested. We are also holding on this to see if SIG reorganization will include these appointed offices.

- Open appointed positions:
  - PR Chair
  - Membership Chair

**Survey:** We had 98 members respond to the survey. Our results indicate that the majority of our members are satisfied. The members like Evidence-Based Reviews and Article Alerts. They provided us with many suggestions and ideas for programming in the future.

**CSM:**

The Pain SIG is excited to sponsor the presentation entitled: 21<sup>st</sup> Century Pain Education – Meeting Recommended Core Competencies and Implementation into DPT Curriculum. This will be presented by: Shana Harrington, PT, PhD; Meryl Alappattuu, DPT, PhD; Marie

Bement, PT, PhD; Craig Wassinger, PT, PhD; Kathleen Sluka PT, PhD, FAPTA; and Kory J. Zimney, PT, DPT.

**PODCAST:**

Three Pain Specialists from the SIG talked about pain on Move Forward Radio. The talk was titled, Physical Activity and Pain Management. Dr. Marie Bement, Dr. Dana Dailey and Dr. Nancy Durban participated in this project. <https://aptacasts.com/2020/10/14/physical-activities-role-in-pain-avoidance-and-management/>

**Officer reports:** as of November 2020

**Vice President:** Mark Shepherd, PT, DPT, OCS, FAAOMPT

- Dr. Shepherd continues to work on the Pain Education Manual. The commitment is progressing forward and will move on to the final Phase III. The goal is to have a final product by CSM 2021 and ACAPT "sponsorship" by October of 2021. The Pain Education Manual will help to standardize entry-level physical therapy education across programs in the US.

**Nominating Chair:** Brett Neilson PT, DPT, OCS, FAAOMPT

- Thank you to Dr. Neilson and the rest of the Nominating Committee members... Rebecca Vogsland, PT, DPT and Max Jordan, PT, DPT, PhD, for putting together a phenomenal slate of candidates.

**Research Chair:** Dana Dailey, PT, PhD

- Thank you to Dr. Dailey for compiling the Membership survey results.
- Dr. Dailey has a list of volunteers willing to work on the SIG Clinical Pearls. Stay tuned for a Pearl coming your way soon.

**Public Relations Committee Chair:** Derrick Sueki, PT, PhD, DPT, GCPT

- As the PR Committee Chair, Dr. Sueki is the representative from the Pain SIG to the AOPT Public Relations Committee. In the future, SIG PR committee will be responsible for the creation and maintenance of a private Facebook page and a Pain Website. Dr. Sueki will be stepping down from his leadership role as he is a newly elected Director of the AOPT. We will be appointing a new leader and announcing the new PR Chair at our CSM membership meeting.
- Dr. Sueki is also the lead of the Pain Specialization and Residency/Fellowship workgroup. The Pain Specialization workgroup has its pilot survey ready. It will be sent out to members in the near future. The goal of the survey is to determine the elements and components of pain specialty practice in physical therapy.

**Residency and Fellowship Chair:** Katie McBee, DPT, OCS

- Dr. McBee continues to work on pathways for post-professional training. Currently, the workgroup is pursuing avenues towards pain residency training as the process parallels specialty certification. In the future, we will need to find candidates and institutions for residency. She is working on collaborating with other programs. For additional information, make sure to view the virtual CSM presentation,

“#PTtheClinicalPainExperts – Pain education, specialization, residencies, and fellowships. Are we ready to take our role as pain experts?”

**Research:**

- The Pain SIG was approached to help with a research project. After further review, the project was elevated to include surveying AOPT membership and not just the Pain SIG membership. Glad to help further research.

**Future:**

- **Strategic Plan:** Currently under revision. Slated date is early 2021 for public reveal.

**Performing Arts Special Interest Group (PASIG) Report  
2021 CSM Board of Directors Meeting**

**Submitted by:  
Laurel Daniels Abbruzzese, President  
Academy of Orthopedic Physical Therapy, APTA**

**PASIG Members and Terms:**

**President:**

Laurel Daniels Abbruzzese 2020-2023

**Vice President/Ed Chair:**

Rosie Canizares 2019-2022

**Board Liaison:**

Tara Jo Manal 2019-2021

**Members:**

Marisa Hentis 2018-2021

Duane Scotti 2019-2022

Pam Mikkelsen 2020-2023

Jessica Waters 2019-2021

Mark Romanick 2020-2022

Dawn Muci 2020-2022

Amanda Blackmom 2019-2021

Anna Saunders 2019-2021

Janice Ying 2019-2021

Andrea Lasner 2020-2022

Brooke Winder 2020-2022

Tiffany Marulli 2020-2022

Sara Edery-Atlas 2020-2022

Katrina Lee 2020-2022

**Update on PASIG Activities since July 2020**

**Finances [as of Oct 31, 2020]**

- 2020 Encumbered Funds June

Balance: \$4,898.40 Oct.31

Balance: \$4,898.40

- 2020 Non-Rolling Funds June

Balance: \$2,035.81

IADMS - Educational Grant \$1,000

Oct 31 Balance remaining for 2020: \$1,035.81

- Pending expenses approved:

CSM 2021 Registration fees for President and Vice President

PASIG SWAG initial purchase (to be sold to members)

## **PASIG Membership Meetings**

- June Membership meeting held June 14, 2020 via Zoom
  - 54 attendees
  - Breakout rooms for committee work/discussions
    - Education
    - PR/Marketing
    - Research
  - New ISC Task Force initiated
  - ISCTask Force Chairs appointed: Sara Edery-Altas & Katrina Lee
- New practitioner meeting held in July, 2020
  - 15 participants
  - Will repeat after CSM
- PASIG Leadership Meeting Oct. 25, 2020

## **AOPT Board Meeting**

- Abbruzzese (President) and Canizares (VP) participated in goal updates at AOPT Fall BOD meeting

## **PASIG Identity**

### **Goal: Enhance visibility and promote PASIG to physical therapy community**

1. PASIG promoted through article for NAP Times [National Academies of Practice].  
Abbruzzese LD. Keeping Dancers Healthy Takes a Team Approach. NAP Times. July 13, 2020. <https://amr.sharepoint.com/:w:/s/amrfiles/ET4InQq0KdZfjhwR1uIihSAB-zBbqzxRYsGdvxlypq6jzA?e=XInyen> Accessed Nov. 9, 2020.
2. Communications/PR (Dawn Muci) collaborated with AOPT marketing (Avery Gerstenberger) on increased social media presence including Facebook and Instagram.
  - Member Spotlight series
  - Promoting CSM & Student Scholarship
3. Collaboration with International Association for Dance Medicine and Science (IADMS) for virtual conference - Educational Grant ; Free educational content for members in 2020
4. Updated logo and web images to better represent PASIG diversity
  - We had a logo contest in June 2020.
  - Our new PASIG logo was designed by Victoria Lu.
  - PASIG documents have been updated with the new logo.
  - We also created a new, more diverse PASIG web banner.





## 5. PASIG branded merchandise for membership

- We will be offering PASIG merchandise for sale through the AOPT website
- Merchandise order coordinated by Jessica Waters & facilitated by Tara Fredrickson

1/2 zip Women's and Men's	Off-shoulder dance shirt	Tumbler	Pinky ball	Mask

## Education/Professional Development

### Goal: Create evidence-based, quality educational resources for performing arts fellows and practicing clinicians

1. ISC Task Force Initiated - led by Sara Edery Altas and Katrina Le
  - Topic identified: "Physical Therapy for Circus Artists"
  - Authors identified- Emily Scherb, PT, DPT & Matthew Greenfield, PT, DPT
2. Quarterly submissions to Orthopedic Physical Therapy Practice (OPTP)
  - 2020 /volume 32 / number 3  
PASIG Newsletter (Abbruzzese) and collaboration with FASIG for July issue: "Multi-Segment Assessment of Ankle and Foot Kinematics during Relevé arefoot Demi-Pointe and En Pointe" Kimberly P Veirs, MPT, PhD, ATC; Jonathan D Baldwin, MS, CNMT; Josiah Rippetoe, BS; Andrew Fagg, PhD; Amgad Haleem, MD, PhD; Lynn Jeffries, PT, DPT, PhD; Ken Randall, PT, PhD; Susan Sisson, PhD; Carol P Dionne, PT, DPT, PhD, MS, OCSM [published July 2020]

- 2020 /volume 32 / number 4  
PASIG Newsletter (Abbruzzese) [published Oct 2020]
- 2021 /volume 33 / number 1  
PASIG Newsletter (Abbruzzese) and performing arts case study submitted for January issue. “Return to Dance after an Upper Extremity Injury: A Descriptive Case Report” written by Morgan Alexander, PT, DPT, Board Certified Clinical Specialist in Orthopaedic Physical Therapy and Fellowship Trained Performing Arts Medicine Physical Therapist at The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center Jameson Crane Sports Medicine Institute. [submitted Nov 2020]

Monthly citation blasts - coordinated by Research Chair (Mark Romanick)

June/July	Resistance Training for Female Ballet Dancers	Danielle Farzanegan, PT, DPT, Sports PT Resident
August	Body Awareness Techniques in Musicians	Stephen Cabebe, SPT
September/October	Guidelines for the Dancer’s Transition Back to Dance Post Initial Peak Phase of COVID-19: A Lens from the Organizational Level	Sarah Edery-Altas, PT, DPT, OCS Will Zinser, MS, ATC Elisa LaBelle, PT, MSPT, OCS
November	Injury Prevention in Dancers	Hanwen Wong, SPT
December	Gymnastics Biomechanics and Injury	Anna Thatcher, PT, DPT, ATC

#### 1. CSM Programming planned by VP-Education (Rosie Canizares)

##### CSM 2021

- AOPT Educational Session: Monday, February 22, 8:00 pm - 8:30 pm “From the Clinic to the Big Top: Interprofessional Management of the Circus Artist” | Speaker(s): Stephanie Jones Greenspan; Luc Fecteau; Dawn Muci; Evert Verhagen  
Code: OR-6645  
Course Type: Live Q&A
- Session by PASIG leaders: Wednesday, February 17, 7:00 pm - 7:30 pm “Pelvic Health Considerations for Female Dancers” | Speaker(s): Brooke Renee Winder; Amanda M. Blackmon; Kari Marie Lindgren  
Code: PH-6376  
Course Type: Live Q&A
- Our Pre-Con with the Imaging SIG, “Musculoskeletal Sonography of the Lower Limb Focused in Sport & Performing Arts” will be a live 1-day didactic session the first week of March (with the hope that we will be able to offer the hands-on experience as a pre-con for the next live CSM)

- PASIG Poster section
2. Outreach committee - led by Brooke Winder
- Materials approved and submitted for Web Upload:
    - Common Injuries in Circus performers
    - Circus Terminology
    - Common injuries in Instrumental Musicians
    - Common Injuries in Musical Theater
    - Musical Theater Terminology
    - Common Injuries in Figure Skaters
    - PASIG - The role of the Performing Arts PT

\*\*\* Note: Still determining options for public-facing documents

\*\*\* Board motion with other SIGs at end of report

#### **Nominating Committee (Marisa Hentis, Chair; Duane Scotti & Pam Mikkelsen)**

- We had 5 nominations for the 2021 nominating committee position.
- The nominating committee slated 3 candidates to complete the next steps prior to elections.
- Elections were held for the following candidates:
  - Amanda Yamaguchi
  - Anthony Sacramento
  - Kimberly Veirs
  - Kimberly Veirs was elected to the PASIG nominating committee for 2021

#### **Membership Demographics (Jessica Waters, Chair)**

Current Members (Nov 2020)

Category	Number
PT	693
PTA	6
SPT	45
<b>Total</b>	<b>744</b>

Racial Diversity

Race	Number
White (Not of Hispanic Origin)	573
Asian	37
African American / Black	14
American Indian / Alaskan Native	4
Pacific Islander / Native Hawaiian	1

Gender

Category	Number
Male	159
Female	558
Not Listed	27
<b>Total</b>	<b>744</b>





Other	17
Not listed	96
<b>Total</b>	<b>742</b>

278 members in our closed Facebook group.

- We created a PASIG membership survey to better capture the distribution of artists that we treat and to better meet the needs of our members.

### **Practice Committee (Andrea Lasner, Chair)**

- Student Scholarship Update (Anna) -
  - Fellow: Patricia Cavaleri, Abstract Title: “Nonsurgical Management of a Pre-Professional Contemporary Dancer with Hypermobility Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome Following Recurrent Shoulder Dislocations.”
  - Entry-Level DPT: Abigail Skallerud, Abstract Title: “Comparing Functional Lumbar Lordosis in Collegiate Dancers With and Without Low Back Pain.”
  - \$500 award will be given to each recipient at CSM 2021
- PA Fellowship Advisory Panel (Tiffany Marruli)
  - Two Performing Arts Fellowship Programs had site visits this fall and met criteria for accreditation by the AFBPTRFE
    - Harkness Center for Dance Injuries Performing Arts Fellowship
    - The Johns Hopkins Hospital Performing Arts Fellowship
  - We will host a Fellowship Bonus zoom session after our business meeting during CSM for Q&A around starting a fellowship as well as Q&A around pursuing a fellowship.
- Performing Artist Screening (Amanda Blackmon)
  - We will host a Screening Bonus zoom session after our business meeting during CSM for Q&A around ongoing screening projects

**Board Motion:** The AOPT SIGs propose that the AOPT BOD create a taskforce to explore and develop a process for the creation, vetting, approval and dissemination for public support resources that originate from the AOPT SIGs.”

Motion seconded by: Charles Hazle, PT, PhD, President, Imaging SIG

Additional SIG Support

Francisco Maia, PT, DPT, CCRT, Animal PT

SIG Rick Wickstrom, PT, DPT, CPE, CME, OH

SIG Chris Neville, FASIG

Matt Haberl, ORF-SIG

Bob Schroedter, PT, DPT, OCS, FAAOMPT, ORF-SIG

**Orthopaedic Residency/Fellowship SIG (ORFSIG) Report  
2021 CSM Board of Directors Meeting**

**Submitted by: Matt Haberl, President  
Academy of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy, APTA**

**SIG Members and Terms:**

**President:**

Matt Haberl 2018-2021

**Vice President:**

Kathleen Geist 2018-2021

**Members:**

Mary Derrick 2019-2020

**Update on SIG Activities since July 2020:**

**PRESIDENT UPDATE:**

**NEW INFORMATION:**

- **Election Results:** Kirk Bentzen was elected the incoming Vice President, and Molly Malloy was elected to the Nomination Committee. We thank Kathleen Geist the outgoing VP as well as Mary Derrick the outgoing Chair for their leadership the last 3 years.
  - **ABPTRFE FAQ form:** After having Linda Cizza from ABPTRFE come to our August meeting the ORF-SIG began working on an ABPTRFE FAQ document to assist members in understanding the ongoing changes and clarification of site visit requirements. We recently received the updated document back from Mark Weber, ABPTRFE Chair and will be reviewing to send out to membership.
    - [ABPTRFE FAQ 12.2020 Version.docx](#)
- **Committee and Subcommittee appreciation:** ORF-SIG facemasks with the ORF-SIG logo were purchased for all ORF-SIG members who contributed their time and talent to the SIG in 2020. These will be mailed out in December.

**UPDATED INFORMATION:**

- **Strategic Plan:** The ORF-SIG submitted their strategic initiatives for 2021
- **COVID Resource Manual:**
  - **Most up to date file: Updates highlighted in yellow**  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1XTturIWCKtQmkjj\\_zEcVWv2xx4gatvdZs1vkZ0upik/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1XTturIWCKtQmkjj_zEcVWv2xx4gatvdZs1vkZ0upik/edit?usp=sharing)
- **Accreditation Interim Standards provided:** Please see COVID Resource Manual for details regarding ACOMPTE and ABPTRFE interim standards.

**ABPTRFE Updates:** Full details found here: [The Hub : Forums : Residency/Fellowship Updates \(apta.org\)](#)

- **ABPTRFE Glossary of Terms updates:** ABPTRFE redefined Mentoring and Practice Hours as noted below:
  - **Mentoring:** Instructional guidance provided by advanced and experienced physical therapists as a part of a residency or fellowship program in a defined area of practice. Mentoring focuses on advancing participants' knowledge and expertise in a defined area of practice and is delivered as a continual learning experience provided on an ongoing basis throughout the duration of the program. **For clinical programs, in-person mentoring requires that the participant, mentor, and patient remain present simultaneously during patient/client care when the participant is the primary care provider. For non-clinical programs, in-person mentoring requires that the participant and mentor remain present simultaneously while the participant is completing nonclinical practice area tasks.**
  - **Practice Hours: Participant time spent completing non-clinical practice area tasks (e.g., teaching, scholarship, service, governance). Mentoring hours are inclusive of the practice hours (whether a program meets the minimum mentoring hours or exceeds the minimum mentoring hours).**
- **ABPTRFE Primary Health Conditions to change to Medical Conditions list:** ABPTRFE recently released that Sports and Orthopaedics Medical Condition Lists are being revalidated by ABPTS currently. Programs will continue to use the current list of primary health conditions until ABPTS finalizes the medical condition lists.
- **ABPTRFE Practice Site Chart:** Programs will now update their participant practice sites in one location on the Accreditation Management System. Policy 13.5 will be implemented in July 2021
- **ABPTRFE COVID Impact Survey Results:** ABPTRFE surveyed the impact of COVID on programs. The majority of programs have been impacted by COVID in some manner changing their methods of delivery as well as mentorship and practice hours. The summary of these results can be found here.
  - [https://orthoptorg-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/mhaberl\\_orthopt\\_org/EWHioQ1zUUdPnQBxICybRhcBwGaFIVAvIE\\_Zr4J1doYwUA?e=r8N6d0](https://orthoptorg-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/mhaberl_orthopt_org/EWHioQ1zUUdPnQBxICybRhcBwGaFIVAvIE_Zr4J1doYwUA?e=r8N6d0)
- **ABPTRFE Annual Report:** ABPTRFE's annual report of Program and Applicant data. ABPTRFE accredited orthopaedic programs have increased from 102 in their 2017 report to 117 based on the directory of programs.
  - [https://orthoptorg-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/mhaberl\\_orthopt\\_org/EZVxa02wwaVGv5T0Lbrgfc8BqURdN33MHsXz\\_u40yAqpoQ?e=zeciSO](https://orthoptorg-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/mhaberl_orthopt_org/EZVxa02wwaVGv5T0Lbrgfc8BqURdN33MHsXz_u40yAqpoQ?e=zeciSO)

## **COMMITTEE Updates:**

### **Research: Kathleen Geist, Mary Kate McDonnell**

- **2021 CSM Programming:**
  - ORF-SIG will be providing a Pre/Post Con in virtual method this year. Will look how this course can be held annually through the SIG versus in person at CSM.
  - ORF-SIG also submitted CSM Programming looking at the value of Residency/Fellowship Education on employee engagement and beating burnout to the Health Administration Section. This was not accepted however will be working with these same individuals to offer via the

SIG to membership.

- **2021 CSM Poster Presentations awards to be published in OP:** Members of the ORF-SIG may submit their poster abstracts on the SIG website for consideration for a \$250 monetary award for first and second place upon written submission of their poster to OPTP.

### **Practice/Reimbursement: Darren Calley**

- **Mentorship Survey:** Survey is complete and accepted through Mayo IRB Approval. This was sent out to program directors where we have been collecting results. A follow up invitation to complete the survey will be sent 12/22/20. We'd encourage those who haven't yet completed the 10-minute survey to participate.

### **Membership: Bob Schroedter**

- **Member Recruitment:** The ORF-SIG is seeking to get >90% of Program Directors to be members of the ORF-SIG where we are working on emailing all current Program Directors to highlight the benefits of membership. Additionally, we will be reaching out to programs who seek candidacy to highlight our Grant Program.
- **Membership Survey:** Continue to try and capture all our member demographics with routing use of QR-Codes.
- **Website Development:** Working on the development of the resident/fellow experience. Have held until AOPT updates their platform. Sending photos to assist with new website.

### **Communications: Kirk Bentzen, Kris Porter, Kathleen Geist, Matt Haberl**

- **Utilization of Microsoft TEAMS for Committee and Sub-Committee work:** Worked with Tara Fredrickson in opening up Teams to Guest Access for our Committee and Sub-Committee members to collaborate and complete work. Still working through the complete set up and communication processes. So far this looks favorable for engaging our committees and eventually membership.

### **SUBCOMMITTEES:**

#### **Curriculum: Molly Malloy, Dave Morrisette, Linda Dundon, Kathleen Geist**

- No Updates-

#### **Applicant Sharing/RFPTCAS: Steve Kareha, Kirk Bentzen**

- **Program Applicant Sharing:** The ORF-SIG will be looking to transition this survey and its information over to Microsoft to house all information in one location. Survey responses and Program information can be found here.
  - **Applicant Survey Link:** <https://forms.gle/pUFiTnERtJphjhbo6>
  - **Program Link:** <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1-FjtY4YzTbbgO9hIMXk22vcCxxQ1q6Wb6IZm5dlAkd4/edit?usp=sharing>
- Will be looking to develop secondary platform to capture potential resident

and fellow information to share with programs who are members to assist in recruitment measures. Goal will be to extend to PT schools, and social media networks to gain interest.

**PD Admin Survey: Kathleen Geist, Steve Kareha, Kris Porter,**

- No updates- Will discontinue at this time.

**LIAISON Updates:**

**Academy of Education Residency and Fellowship SIG: Christina Gomez**

- Have developed a Director/ Coordinator Mentorship Program and will be meeting at CSM
- **APTE R/F SIG Podcast Collaboration:** ORF- SIG, AAOMPT and APTE R/F SIG came together for 2 podcasts lead by the APTE R/F SIG regarding COVID 19 and program changes. More information found here.
  - **Podcast #1:**  
<http://aptaeducation.org?atf3xrhttps://musc.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=0761ee7a-d650-4c36-bdfe-abd70106f898>
  - **Podcast #2:** <http://aptaeducation.org?kmtx2j>
- **Annual Business Meeting Podcast:** Discuss overview of previous year's podcasts.
  - <http://aptaeducation.org?dhjjj0>

**AAOMPT: Bob Schroedter-**

- ACF-SIG has developed a resource sheet with platforms for teaching manual therapy in the online world
  - [https://orthoptorg-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/mhaberl\\_orthopt\\_org/EXpTIE12HyFJqnGGN91FVYQBTY0eei8KyQ8sJyZE9oFRnw?e=dZChAG](https://orthoptorg-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/mhaberl_orthopt_org/EXpTIE12HyFJqnGGN91FVYQBTY0eei8KyQ8sJyZE9oFRnw?e=dZChAG)
- Flip grid for discussion tools related to teaching in the online world
  - <https://flipgrid.com/aaomptacfsig2020>
- OCS case discussion board
  - 4-part post to gain 1 MOSC credit
- Putting together a Residency/Fellowship Reach out email regarding resources for manual therapy curriculum.

## **Occupational Health SIG (OHSIG)**

**Report January 2021**

**Submitted by:**

**Rick Wickstrom, President  
Academy of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy,  
APTA**

### **SIG Members and Terms:**

**President:**

Rick Wickstrom 2019-2022

**Vice President/Ed Chair:**

Steve Allison 2019-2022

**Members:**

Michelle Despres 2018-2021

Jeff Paddock 2019-2022

David Hoyle 2020-2023

Marc Campo 2020-2023

Cory Blickenstaff 2019-2021

Lorena Payne 2019-2021

Caroline Furtak 2019-2021

**Discussion Items for the Board:** None

**Motions for the Board:** None

**Membership Statistics:** OHSIG has 583 PTs (-15), 8 PTAs (+3), and 4 Students (+4).

### **Strategic Planning Updates:**

**Goal 1. Evidence to Best Practice:** Promote development and implementation of evidence for best practice.

- The preliminary draft of the Work Rehab Clinical Practice Guideline has been reviewed by the Academy of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy CPG development group, AOPT CPG Researcher, and JOSPT editor for internal review per Lorena Payne (Chair of Practice Committee). The Work Rehab CPG authors have some final cleanup to do that includes algorithm development before submitting for external review in the next few weeks. We are hopeful to get this published in JOSPT in June or July 2021.
- When this CPG is accepted for publication, the Practice subcommittee will proceed with our strategy to develop an online presentation to communicate the CPG for work rehabilitation.

**Goal 2. Value and Payment:** Enhance payment for services by demonstrating the value of physical therapy.

- Our Membership Committee has a subcommittee that is charged with recruiting members to serve as state resource liaisons in all states to advocate for our group to APTA state chapters and members as well as outside organizations. The subcommittee includes OHSIG Membership Committee Chair Caroline Furtak (NJ), Nominating Member Michelle Depres (FL), VP Steve Allison (LA), Wayne MacMasters (VA), Jen Seidl (WI), and Brendan Sullivan (NY). The subcommittee has established roles and responsibilities for role of OHSIG state resource liaisons.
- Rick Wickstrom is coordinating with Carman Elliot to advocate for telerehab payment and a special code for functional capacity evaluation services with Ohio BWC.
- Steve Allison and Rick Wickstrom responded to a request by Helene Fearon review the on-line version of the AMA Guides for the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment. Helene Fearon from OHSIG is the physical therapist serving on the AMA Guides Committee.

**Goal 3. Positioning and Public Awareness:** Position members as experts in managing movement and functional performance.

- The Communications Subcommittee completed its update of “Current Concepts: The Role of the Physical Therapist in Occupational Health” document has been completed! It will be published in the upcoming January OPTP edition and can be viewed now on the OHSIG website [here](#). This work was completed by subcommittee members: Peter McMenemy (subcommittee leader), Rick Wickstrom, Cory Blickenstaff, Diane Newquist, Kevin Jones, Connie Johnson, Justin Bagley and Jeff Paddock. Our goal for year end 2021 is to recruit members in 25-50 states to serve in this role.
- The Research Committee is proceeding with the OHSIG initiative to design and implement an advanced practice educational credential. This subcommittee includes OHSIG President Rick Wickstrom, Research Committee Chair Marc Campo, Jennifer Gamboa, Nominating Committee Member David Hoyle, Jennifer Klose, Sarah Martin, Leslie Pickett, and Michelle Urban-Stewart. Subcommittee members have developed topic outlines to support recruitment of authors for six ISC modules. A call for authors was just sent out to OAPT members in Dec 2020. We are now vetting prospective authors. We hope to complete 3-6 ISC monographs in 2021.
- The OHSIG is proud to present the on-demand program **Therapy at Work for Total Worker Health®: Making Magic for the Next 100 Years**. The speakers are L. Casey Chosewood, MD, MPH, Director of the Office for Total Worker Health®, from NIOSH/CDC, and Kathy Malchev, OT, MPH, Health Services Manager, from Disney Orlando. For more information and to register click [here](#).
- Steve Allison and Rick Wickstrom have been petitioning the Kentucky Board of Physical Therapy to send a letter to clarify that Department of Transportation Physical Exams are within the scope of practice for physical therapists. Currently five states have clarified that DOT Physical Exams are within the PT scope of practice. Arkansas, Louisiana, North Dakota, Texas, Ohio.

**Goal 4. Diversity and Inclusion:** Increase diversity of members and leaders

- OHSIG had six mentees and six mentors participating in the membership program which resides in the Membership Committee. A follow up survey was sent to both mentors and mentees to gauge the success for the relationships and determine where we might improve the program. The OHSIG’s next mentoring program will begin after the launch of the Annual CSM in 2021.
- We expect that recruitment for the state resource liaison initiative will provide OHSIG with more engaged members to support diversity in other OHSIG leadership positions.