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CSM 2007: Boston was Booming!

CSM 2007 was a huge success! We cannot thank our Program Committee and Program Chair enough for all of their work planning the outstanding educational sessions and meetings that were held in Boston this year. Thank you to all speakers, poster and platform presenters, and Section officers: your contributions have helped disperse so much quality information related to geriatric physical therapy. Most of all, THANK YOU to all of you who attended CSM. We hope to see you all next year in Nashville! Look for detailed CSM reports, pictures and more in the March GeriNotes.

You can view/search the abstracts from CSM and order tapes or CDs of educational sessions at www.apta.org/csm. We encourage you to take advantage of the "Poster to Go" program in your chapter!

CSM 2008: Call for Programming Proposals & Abstracts

All programming proposals for CSM 2008 are due by midnight on April 9, 2007.

There is a new online submission process (very similar to the process for submitting an abstract). To submit, visit www.apta.org/csm. You may contact Jill Heitzman, jheitzpt@aol.com, with questions.

Online abstract submission for CSM 2008 will run April 20-June 15, 2007 at www.apta.org/csm. We encourage all researchers to begin thinking about their submissions! Thanks to all of this year's poster and platform presenters for their contributions.

Get Involved in the Section on Geriatrics

There are a range of positions currently open: visit www.geriaticspt.org and click on "About Us" for more info! Open positions include PR Chair, Advocates to the States, Membership Chair, Web Connection members, and more.

University of Pittsburgh Sponsors Vestibular Course

The University of Pittsburgh students, as part of the Pitt- Marquette Challenge, are sponsoring a course entitled "Vestibular Rehabilitation: An Advanced Course and Update" March 23-25, 2007. There are 23 speakers scheduled and an opportunity for participants to contribute during the Friday night session. If you are interested, the brochure and registration information are available at:

<http://www.shrs.pitt.edu/cms/School/News.asp?id=602>

All proceeds will go to the PT Foundation.

2007 Section on Geriatrics Regional Courses

Don't miss these excellent opportunities for continuing education!

April 14-15, 2007: Manual Physical Therapy for the Geriatric Patient

Contact Hours: 13.25

ADVANCE REGISTRATION DEADLINE: March 24, 2007

Presenter: Carleen Lindsey, PT, MSc, GCS

Dates: April 14-15, 2007 (8am-5pm and 8am-3pm)

Location: University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, Denver, CO

More Info & Registration Form: <http://www.geriatricspt.org/members/meetings.cfm>

September 29 & 30, 2007: Exercise and Manual Interventions for Osteoporosis and Postural Change

Contact Hours: 15

Presenter: Carleen Lindsey, PT, MSc, GCS

Dates: September 29 & 30, 2007 (8am – 5pm each day)

Location: Mary Greeley Medical Center, Ames, IA

More Info & Registration Form: <http://www.geriatricspt.org/members/meetings.cfm>

15th Annual Alzheimer's Association Dementia Care Conference: accepting presentation proposals

Share your expertise with colleagues from around the country: Present at the 15th Annual Alzheimer's Association Dementia Care Conference. The conference will allow you to connect with dementia care peers, and will deliver relevant information that you can easily, quickly apply to the work you do every day.

Proposals will be accepted for the following tracks: Early-stage issues, Community-based care, Residential care, and Alzheimer's Association chapter showcase

Submit before March 15 at

<http://www.alz.org/careconference/07/proposalsubmission.asp>. Conference registration will open in early April.

Geriatric Fund Update

At the CSM Member's Meeting we raised \$1,750 for the Geriatric Fund in the APTA Foundation! Sincere thanks to all who contributed. ALL donations to the APTA Foundation can be allocated to the Geriatric Fund if you choose. Simply instruct the person taking your payment information, or write "Geriatric Fund" in the memo portion of your check. The Section on Geriatrics will match all 2007 donations to the Geriatric Fund up to \$50,000. We sincerely appreciate your support of Gerontology Research!

To donate: www.apta.org/foundation

Featured Section Membership Benefit

You get a discount on all Home Study courses offered through the Section. There are currently six courses being offered, including our newest, "Topics in Geriatrics: Volume 3," and the "Focus" course, which is created with the GCS Exam in mind (note: it is not a comprehensive GCS preparatory course, but we do believe it will be helpful to you). Browse these courses today at www.geriaticspt.org (click "Education").

Thank you for your membership in the Section on Geriatrics!