

INAPTA Pediatric Special Interest Group Fall Conference 2022 Meeting Minutes

October 22, 2022

Present:

Stasia Tapley, PT –Pediatric SIG Chair, Indiana State University
Jessica Prothero Rusnak, PT –Pediatric SIG Vice-Chair, Children’s Therapy Connection
Jeanine David Goldner, PT – Pediatric SIG Secretary/Treasurer, self-employed
Madison Borger, SPT—Chair of Student Liaison Committee, University of Indianapolis
Carly Harvey, SPT—Chair of Communications Committee, University of Indianapolis
Nicole Edmonds, PT—Trine University
Nataly Myers, PT—Franciscan Health
Gretchen Miller, PTA—Fort Wayne Schools
Emily Slaven, PT—APTA Indiana President

Social time until 7:10 am to allow time for other members to appear. Hybrid meeting.

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Recent Events/Increase Membership
 - A. April 2022: Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome: Physical Therapy Intervention and Management
 1. Co-hosted with Pain Sig and worked with PR committee to assist with advertising
 2. Virtual course; well-attended
 - B. Meeting with all the schools in the state to get more involvement in the SIG as well as to educate on the opportunities within the SIG
 1. April 2022: SIG leadership met with UIndy students with peds interest about SIG
 2. October 2022: SIG leadership to meet with IUPUI students along with the Pain SIG and Ortho SIG
 3. Trying to arrange meetings with students at Trine, ISU, Evansville and other schools
 - C. Discussion on further efforts to increase membership
 1. Hoping to increase student membership as a result of our 2 new committee chairs
 2. Committee chairs are under the SIG Vice-Chair; appointed positions—no need for an election
 - a. Madison—will work on engagement with students from all PT/PTA programs
 - b. Carly—will work on creating a social media presence for our SIG
 3. Host another social—perhaps closer to downtown?
 4. Remind membership that participation in SIG is FREE!!!

5. Provide study resources for students to help support their efforts to pass their boards; maybe cross-reference between adults and peds
 6. Provide general resources such as Outcome Measures—what is out there that is free?
- III. Programming/Educational Content
- A. CEU opportunity 2022-2023
 1. We try to keep costs low to encourage members to attend
 2. Any money raised will go toward future educational programming
 3. Possible topics discussed
 - a. Vendor—assistive devices, how to write a LOM, dealing with insurance
 - b. Follow up from the DMD/SMA speaker
 - c. Autism—particular focus on sensory and communication issues (use video with co-treatments between PT/OT/SLP)
 - d. Reflex integration
 - e. Pediatric balance
 - f. Benik vests
 - g. Other ideas? Send a message through Listserv
- IV. Listserv/Discussion Board:
- A. APTIndianaPediatricsSig@freelists.org
 - B. Not much use; increasing usage for networking, etc.
- V. Medicaid
- A. Stasia is involved with a committee with the State (Healthy Athletes/Special Olympics) and knows a physician with a large grant with Medicaid to address interdisciplinary care needs
 1. Data is needed to show the problems we are having (limited PAs or declined PAs)
 2. Emily Slaven suggested discussing with Andrea Lausch (Practice and Payment specialist) who can help coordinate these efforts
 3. Nicole Edmonds knows a couple of people working to collect similar data
- VI. Chair and Sec/Treasurer Nomination and Election—Please Vote!!! Ballot is open until the end of the month
- VII. Other
- A. Emily Slaven mentioned that APTA Indiana is investing in technology to allow more members to participate through hybrid environments. This will be particularly helpful at the district level so all can be involved if they want.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 am.

Respectfully Submitted by Jeanine David Goldner PT, DPT, MHS