

February Newsletter

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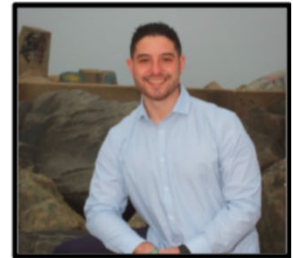
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Upcoming Events

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- Virtual Career path night w/ APTA Massachusetts young professionals SIG on 2/24/22. Link for details listed on pg. 3.

Meet The New Student SIG Board

Over this past December break, four new CT SSIG Co – Directors were welcomed into their positions. Grace Cioffi from Sacred Heart, Matt Glassoff from the University of Hartford, Zach Philippon from Sacred Heart, and Corry Brinkin from Sacred Heart make up this year's board. All 4 students are current DPT 1 student at their respective schools, and they are motivated to help connect PT students across Connecticut and increase student involvement within the APTA. Their full bios can be seen on our website.

What is the CT Student Special Interest Group?

The purpose of the Student Special Interest Group is to provide a means by which students, and student affiliate members, have a common interest, and because of their enrollment in a Physical Therapy (PT) or Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) school. These students may meet, confer and promote the interest of their classes and schools within the Student Special Interest Group and further develop their role as a student body within the Association.



Participating Schools:

- **University of Connecticut**
- **Quinnipiac University**
- **Sacred Heart**
- **University of Hartford**
- **Norwalk Community College**
- **Naugatuck Valley Community College**

Benefits of Being an Active Member:

- o Networking with students in your state.
- o Contacts with professionals across your state.
- o Opportunities to find mentors and be mentored.
- o Develop leadership skills and receive important info about the working of your state chapter and your future as a PT or PTA.

Student Spotlight

Student Spotlight Nomination Form:

<https://forms.gle/P9mrmgVWpBc6ZS996>

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(2/24/2022) Virtual Career Path night w/ APTA MA Early Professional SIG.
[Click here to register for free at this link](#)



Accepting Submissions:

As the spring semester continues to ramp up across our state, the CT SSIG would like to start a new monthly student spotlight. This award is aimed at students who serve as a leader among their peers, represent the field of PT in a positive manner, and positively influence those around them. To receive this award, you must be nominated by a fellow student or an educator. Each month's student spotlight will be featured in our monthly newsletter. If you would like to nominate someone in your cohort or a student of yours, please fill out a nomination form which can be found on our website, in our Instagram bio, or by following the link on the left-hand side of the newsletter.

What is a Physical Therapy Residency?

The American Board of Physical Therapy Residency and Fellowship Education (ABPTRFE) defines a residency program as a post-professional learning experience that is structured in a manner to best prepare the resident with the knowledge and skill set to successfully pass the certification exam upon completion of the residency program. It is made of a curriculum which includes the essential knowledge, skills and responsibilities of an advanced physical therapist within a specialty area of practice. Education is provided through structured one-on-one mentoring, curricular experiences, and guided learning which is designed to increase the quality of patient care and practitioner knowledge within that specialty area.



List of Local Residencies:

- Hartford Healthcare University of Hartford Orthopedic Residency Program
- Jewish Senior Services in partnership with Sacred Heart University Geriatric Residency Program
- Sacred Heart Orthopedic Residency Program
- Physical Therapy and Sports Medicine Centers Orthopedic Residency
- Live Everyday Orthopedic Residency

Local Residencies:

Did you know that the state of Connecticut is home to a handful of residency programs? If you are interested in the field of geriatrics, Jewish Senior Services in partnership with Sacred Heart University offers an accredited Geriatric Residency Program. If the field of Orthopedics is an area of interest, there are four accredited programs including Sacred Heart University's Orthopedic Residency Program, Physical Therapy and Sports Medicine Centers' Orthopedic Residency, and Hartford Healthcare and University of Hartford Orthopedic Residency. You can visit the ABPTRFE website for a directory of all residency programs across the nation. Be aware that most residency programs have application deadlines which may be approaching soon. Please visit the individual residency websites listed on the ABPTRFE directory for more details on the programs and reach out to the program directors with any questions you may have.

Become an Advocate:

If you are interested in getting involved in any form of APTA advocacy issues visit <https://www.apta.org/advocacy> and stay tuned for upcoming student events. The APTA also has an official Advocacy App available on the app store! It is called APTA action and has some awesome resources about how to get involved!

Download the APTA Action App in your App Store

