







Friday, September 8th

3:00PM - 4:00PM

Registration and Vendor Discovery

4:00PM - 6:00PM

Plenary Session 1: Ethics

Ethical Theories and Ties to Leadership

Jude Haney, PhD, RHIA

6:00PM - 8:00PM

Evening Reception at Bourbon on Front, Downtown Hattiesburg

Saturday, September 9th

7:00AM - 8:00AM

Registration and Vendor Discovery

Breakfast Served

8:00AM - 9:00AM

Track 1: Ethics

Transforming Lives, Transforming Communities: Unleashing the Full Potential of Physical Therapist and Physical Therapist Assistant

Cory Lee, CEO, LPTA, CF-L2

Track 2

Criterion Based Progression for ACL Rehabilitation

Jason Simpson PT, DPT, SCS, CSCS Andy Waite, PTA

Student Track

Clinical Education, Networking, Resume Building and Professionalism Lisa Stevens | Jennifer Kennedy

9:00AM - 9:30AM

Break

9:30AM - 11:30AM

Track 1

Motor Control: From Theory to Application

Jacob Long, PT, DPT, NCS, ATP/SMS Lauren Russell, PT, DPT, NCS Olivia Waddell, PT, DPT, NCS Pat Cooper, DPT

Student Track

Finance and Life Skills (9:30AM-10:30AM)

Ryan Kelly

Track 2

Edema vs. Lymphedema

Danette Chancellor PT, CLT-ALM, LANA Spring Walters, PT, CLT

Student Track

Licensure Requirements (10:30AM-11:30AM)
Stephanie Boyette, MS Board of Physical Therapy

11:30AM - 11:45AM

Break

11:45AM - 12:30PM

Lunch and Annual Business Meeting

Election of Student SIG Officers

Haley Roll, Student SIG President

12:30AM - 1:00PM

Break

1:00PM - 2:30PM

Track 1

Living the Best Life: Activity
Considerations for the Individual
with Cerebral Palsy

UMMC PT Residents

Track 2

Evaluation and Treatment of Abnormal Muscle Tone (Part 1)

Steve Forbush, PT, PhD, OCS, OMTC



2:30PM-3:00PM

Vendor Discovery

3:00PM - 5:00PM

Track 1

Observational Gait Analysis

Pam Craft, PT

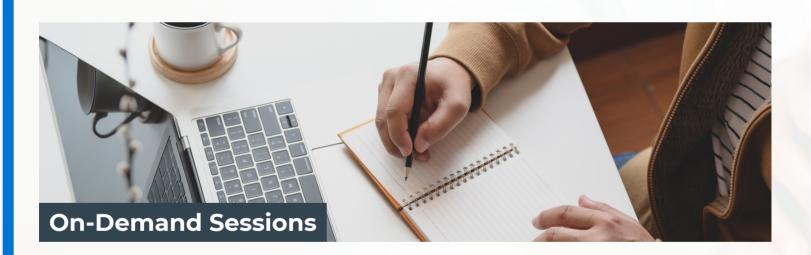
Track 2

Evaluation and Treatment of Abnormal Muscle Tone (Part 2)

Steve Forbush, PT, PhD, OCS, OMTC

5:00PM

Conference Adjourned



Session 1 – 1.0 hour Ethics: Current National and State Legislative Issues and Bills

Justin Elliott | Josh Farley | Steve Corbitt

Session 2 – 1.0 hour Schroth Scoliosis Therapy

Elizabeth Rich, PTMMRC | Rachel Cooley, PTMMRC

Session 3 – 1.0 hour The Art and Science of Crafting Effective Learning Experiences

for DPT Students

Leda McDaniel, PT, DPT, OCS



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Speakers

Jude Haney, PhD, RHIA

Dr. Haney is originally from New Orleans, LA with over 15 years of experience in Public Health and Health Informatics. He is a Registered Health Information Administrator (RHIA) and has worked in a number of roles in the healthcare management field including Clinical Epidemiologist, Louisiana State Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System Coordinator, and Health Information Technology Director. Currently, Dr. Haney is the program director and associate professor of Health Information Management at William Carey University and comes to Mississippi by way of New Iberia where he last served as Director of Health Information at Dauterive Hospital. Dr. Haney has academically prepared and helped place a number of HIM students in healthcare firms across Mississippi. Under his leadership, William Carey's HIM program has helped produce 13 RHIAs, most of whom are working in Mississippi. He has close ties with a number of health information directors and specialists throughout the region and continues to push for HIM to be known as a major career path for individuals looking for jobs in the healthcare industry.



Cory Lee, CEO, LPTA, CF-L2

Cory is an entrepreneur, author, and corporate consultant focused on building leaders and transforming culture. He is the founder of Pro Therapy and Human Performance Center in North Mississippi. Through his personal leadership journey, Cory has become deeply passionate about helping leaders develop their unique gifts, maximize their strengths and to discover their untapped potential. As a leadership expert mentored by John Maxwell, Cory also provides proven leadership strategies to teams and organizations. Cory and his wife Kimberly have been married for 17 years and they have 3 children: Colton, Kendall, and Brady.



Jason Simpson, PT, DPT, SCS, CSCS

Jason Simpson is a sport certified physical therapist currently working in outpatient orthopedics at Ochsner Rush in Meridian, MS. He has 3 years of clinical experience as a Physical Therapist working in private outpatient clinics in Mississippi and Alabama. Simpson graduated with his doctorate in Physical Therapy from William Carey University in 2020, where he also spent 2018-2023 serving as an assistant track & field coach, highlighted by a team national championship for the men's program during the 2020 indoor season, with multiple runner up team finishes and individual national championships over the course of his 5 year tenure. Prior to William Carey, Simpson served as a strength & conditioning coach with the Colorado Rockies professional baseball organization (2015-2016), Pittsburgh Pirates professional baseball organization (2014), and Florida State University (2012-2014). Simpson holds a Masters degree in exercise Physiology from Florida State University and a Bachelors degree in Sports & High Performance Materials from the University of Southern Mississippi. He is a Certified Strength & Conditioning Specialist through the National Strength & Conditioning Association where he has also earned the designation as a Registered Strength & Conditioning Coach. He resides in Meridian, MS with his wife, Ashley, and daughter, Brooke.



Andy Waite, PTA

Andy Waite is a PTA currently working at Ochsner-Rush Outpatient Rehabilitation in Meridian, MS. Previously, he spent the past five years working for the team physicians for Mississippi State University at Columbus Orthopedic Clinic and Physical Therapy. He holds a certification in Applied Functional Science through the Gray Institute & Graston M1. Andy graduated from Mississippi State University with his Bachelor's of Science in Kinesiology in 2014, and he completed his PTA training at Meridian CC in 2017. Professionally, Andy is currently pursuing his doctorate in physical therapy with future aspirations of completing certifications through Titleist Performance Institute (TPI). Andy resides in Collinsville, MS and is married & has a 3-year-old daughter. When not in the clinic, you can find Andy spending time with his wife & child, on the golf course, or at Mississippi State sporting events.

Jacob Long, PT, DPT, NCS, ATP/SMS



Jacob Long, PT, DPT, NCS, ATP/SMS received his doctorate in physical therapy from the University of Mississippi Medical Center in 2013. He initially worked in the outpatient setting in Fayetteville, North Carolina. Upon return to Jackson, he joined Methodist Rehabilitation Center in 2014. After a year in the stroke program, Jacob transitioned to the spinal cord injury program to advance his education and clinical expertise through study of this complex condition. In parallel to his clinical duties, he achieved two assistive technology certifications from the Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America (RESNA)–the Assistive Technology Professional (ATP) in 2016 and Seating & Mobility Specialist (SMS) in 2017. After passing the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties board examination in Neurologic Physical Therapy (NCS) in 2018, he was promoted to the position of Clinical Specialist. In this role, he served as a resource and mentor for other therapists and students, and actively collaborated with the investigators in the Methodist research division, the Center for Neuroscience and Neurological Recovery.

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Lauren Russell, PT, DPT, NCS

Lauren Russell, PT, DPT, NCS graduated from William Carey University with DPT in 2019. Awarded NCS June 2022. APTA member since 2018. Member of Academy of Neurologic Physical Therapy since 2022. Lauren is employed as a physical therapist at Methodist Rehabilitation Center since 2019 with focus in traumatic brain Injury and spinal cord injury. She currently serves as an active member of the Health Disparities Committee. Continuing education and work experience have prepared her to present on current concepts on Motor Learning with the neurologic population.



Olivia Waddell, PT, DPT, NCS

Olivia Waddell, PT, DPT, NCS is graduate of West Virginia University with a B.S. in Exercise Physiology in 2011 and Doctorate in Physical Therapy in 2014. She attained her Neurologic Clinical Specialist certification in June 2019. She is in the role of PT Clinical Specialist working at Methodist Rehabilitation Center in Jackson, MS and is a full time PT in the spinal cord injury program. Olivia Waddell, PT, DPT, NCS is graduate of West Virginia University with a B.S. in Exercise Physiology in 2011 and Doctorate in Physical Therapy in 2014. She attained her Neurologic Clinical Specialist certification in June 2019. She is in the role of PT Clinical Specialist working at Methodist Rehabilitation.



Pat Cooper, DPT

Pat Cooper attained her Bachelor of Science in Biology from Mississippi College in 2008 and went on to receive her Doctor of Physical Therapy from the University of South Alabama in 2011. Pat began her career as a staff PT at Methodist Rehabilitation Center, where she started working on the inpatient Stroke Program. She gained experience beginning in 2013 as an acute care PT at the University of Mississippi Medical Center where she worked closely with the physicians and nurses of the medical Intensive Care Unit to design, initiate, and implement an evidenced based Early Mobility Program for intensive care patients. Pat gained further expertise in the field of Women's Health PT, before returning to her true passion, working with neurologically impaired patients at MRC IN 2018. Pat worked on the spinal injury floor until moving into the role of Inpatient Therapy Supervisor in 2022. Pat supervises the therapy technicians and PRN staff. She participates in quality improvement projects and mentoring therapy staff. Continuing education and work experience have prepared her to present on current concepts on High Intensity Training with the neurologic population.

Danette Chancellor, PT, CLT-ALM, LANA



Danette graduated from Texas Woman's University in 1988 with a bachelor of science in physical therapy. She became a certified lymphedema therapist in 2011 and received her advanced lymphedema management in 2019 both through the Academy of Lymphatic Studies. Danette works at a regional hospital in South Mississippi where the lymphedema, lipedemia population, as well as vascular disorders are often undiagnosed and under served. She works to bring a more comprehensive treatment approach to these populations by educating, not only her patients but also the local medical professionals. Danette joined the Academy of Lymphatic Studies as an instructor in 2021 and plans to continue educating other health care professionals in the proper management of lymphedema

Steve Forbush, PT, PhD, OCS, OMTC



Steve has degrees in Biology from Thiel College in 1976, an entry MS in PT from UAB in 1979, and a PhD in PT from NSU in 2009. He also completed a residency with Stanley Paris in Atlanta from 1979-82. He was an Associate Professor of Physical Therapy at UCA in Conway, Arkansas until the end of 2021. Steve also worked as a manager and wellness coordinator for a regional medical system, owned a successful private practice for 20 years, and managed 7 outpatient sites for a large regional medical center in NE Georgia. Dr. Forbush has written many papers, was a principal lecturer for ISPI, and lectures at PT and PTA programs in areas concerning orthopedic diagnosis and intervention for the extremities. He owns the CE provider: Orthopedic Manual Therapy Instruction. He is a certified orthopedic specialist through the APTA, is certified in manual and manipulative therapy, a member of the APTA since 1977, and the Orthopedic Academy and the HPA Section of the APTA.

Pam Craft, PT



Pam is a Licensed Physical Therapist since 1991, and a graduate of USA. Her initial training in PT was in USAF where she was able to experience a wide variety of patient populations and impairments and extensive wound care training. As a PT, she specialized in patient's with complicated gait and mobility impairments. Pam's initial interest in amputees came with experience in treating patients at the Hansens Center in Louisiana in the military. She was a part of the military STAMP training program, and has written several CEU courses on Evaluation and Treatment of patients with Gait Impairments- specifically amputees. Pam has worked in every setting possible-currently working at Hanger Clinic on the Gulf Coast, where she is primarily responsible for patient/ family training throughout the spectrum of care-seeing patients in their clinic. Pam helps train local PT's regarding the care of their patients. She assists with general education, technology, and conduit for procuring and sharing information between professionals involved in the spectrum of care-working to improve overall continuity of care in the amputee population.

Justin Elliott



Justin Elliott is vice president of government affairs at APTA, where he has led the association's legislative, public policy, and political efforts on Capitol Hill since 2015. He has held several positions at APTA since joining the association in 2002, serving as APTA's director of state government affairs and associate director of state government affairs. Prior to joining APTA, he worked at KM Strategies, a government affairs and issues management firm. He was the communications director for Fairfax County Supervisor Penelope A. Gross and also served as an advisor on her successful reelection campaign. He got his start on Capitol Hill serving as an intern in the offices of Sen. Charles Robb and Rep. Tom Davis, both of Virginia. He received his bachelor's degree in communications and minor in political science from Virginia Tech. He is a member of the Public Affairs Council and American Society of Association Executives.



Josh Farley, PT, DPT, OCS, CDNT

Josh graduated with his doctorate in Physical Therapy from the University of Mississippi Medical Center in 2008. He received his Orthopedic Clinical Specialist Certification in June of 2019. Josh served as the President of the Mississippi Physical Therapy Association from 2014–2018 and currently serves as the Payment and Legislative Chairs for the MPTA. Josh has practiced in an outpatient orthopedic manual therapy setting since 2008 and has worked with patients across the age and musculoskeletal spectrum throughout his career. He is currently a Regional Director for Upstream Rehabilitation, with responsibility of oversight of 7 clinics from Meridian to Vicksburg. Josh has been married to his wife, Ann Marie for almost 25 years and they have 3 children, 13 year old twin boys and a 9 year old daughter.



Steve Corbitt

Registered lobbyist in Mississippi since 1987. Founder and President of The Corbitt Company, LLC since 2000. Experienced in state and local governmental affairs. Strives to meet the specific goals of the client with services that may include lobbying, issues management and research, tracking legislation, client training for committee hearings and testimony, guidance on political campaign contributions, coalition building and business development/trouble shooting. Current clients include Mississippi Concrete Association, North Mississippi Health Services, Mississippi Physical Therapy Association, Pine Belt Mental Healthcare Resources, LifeCore Health Group, Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company and Waldale Manufacturing Ltd. Steve is a graduate of Mississippi State University. He is a member of First Presbyterian Church of Jackson, The Rotary Club of Jackson and is a Paul Harris Fellow.



Elizabeth Rich, PT MMRC

Elizabeth Rich specializes in Schroth Physical Therapy for Scoliosis, orthopedic injuries and chronic pain at Methodist Outpatient Therapy in Ridgeland. A graduate of Mississippi State University and the University of Mississippi Medical Center, Elizabeth has been with Methodist Rehab for 18 years. She and her husband of 19 years, Mark, have three children: Ellis, 16; Maggie, 14; and Charlie, 9. Residents of Ridgeland, the Rich family attends First Baptist Church of Jackson. When she's not watching her kids play sports, she enjoys spending time with friends and family, reading, and baking.



Rachel Cooley, PT MMRC

Rachel Cooley specializes in Schroth Physical Therapy for Scoliosis, dry needling, orthopedic injuries and chronic pain at Methodist Outpatient Therapy in Ridgeland. A graduate of Mississippi State University and the University of Mississippi Medical Center, Rachel has been with Methodist Rehab for 10 years. She and her husband of 12 years, Austin, have a son named Jackson, 7, and a daughter named Lucy, 4. Residents of Madison, the Cooley family attends Broadmoor Baptist Church. Rachel enjoys watching her children play sports, going to Starkville for MSU games, traveling with her family, and baking homemade bread.



Leda McDaniel, PT, DPT, OCS

Dr. Leda McDaniel is a practicing Physical Therapist in Atlanta, GA and is also an adjunct professor at Emory University in the Division of Physical Therapy. Leda earned her Doctorate of Physical Therapy (DPT) from Ohio University and went on to graduate from Emory University's Orthopedic Physical Therapy Residency program and obtain her Board-Certification as an Orthopedic Clinical Specialist (OCS). Leda's passion for physical therapy is paralleled by an interest in teaching and education. Her teaching roles have included those within Emory University's DPT program, Emory University's Orthopedic PT Residency program, delivering guest lectures for Georgia State's and Ohio University's DPT programs, and serving as a Clinical Instructor to multiple DPT students. Leda has also pursued this passion for excellence in post-graduate education by implementing evidence-based teaching and learning strategies, some of which have come from her father's (Dr. Mark McDaniel, PhD) work as a research-based psychologist and expert in the science of learning.

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