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Deadline to Register for 2008 Advanced Clinical Practice in Pediatric Physical Therapy Course Is Friday

The registration deadline for the Section on Pediatrics' 11th Annual [Advanced Clinical Practice in Pediatric Physical Therapy course](#), which will be held November 7-9 in Hartford, CT, is this Friday, October 24. This 2.5-day course is geared toward advanced practice and is intended for experienced pediatric physical therapists that have a strong desire to investigate current theories and evidence-based practice across settings. Physical therapists who are considering taking the ABPTS examination are particularly encouraged to participate as part of their review. The course will provide 20 contact hours.

Visit the Foundation's Online Auction to Benefit the Pediatric Fund

Could you use some new toys and activities for your pediatric clients or for your own children or grandchildren? Check out the item that the Section on Pediatrics has donated to the [Foundation for Physical Therapy's 3rd Annual Online Auction](#); proceeds from the item will benefit the Section's Pediatric Fund through the Foundation. To bid on the Section's item, click on Toys on the Foundation Auction site and follow the step-by-step instructions. Bidding runs through November 12.

Section Award & Scholarship Nominations Due November 1

The deadline to submit nominations for Section on Pediatrics awards and scholarships is November 1. Section awards are: **Advocacy Award** (NEW) to honor a member of the Section who has made an outstanding contribution to pediatric physical therapy in the area of government affairs at the regional, state, or national level; **Outstanding Pediatric Clinician Award - PT and PTA** (NEW) to recognize two Section members, a PT and a PTA, whose clinical practice exemplifies the work and dedication of pediatric physical therapy practice with children and families; **Jeanne Fischer Distinguished Mentorship Award** for outstanding mentorship in

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pediatric physical therapy; **George "Bud" DeHaven Service Award** for outstanding service to the Section; **Anniversary Award** to honor a member who has made outstanding, visionary contributions in an area of pediatric physical therapy; **Distinguished Service Award** for outstanding contributions to pediatrics by an individual outside the Section; **Research Award** for a Section member who has performed sustained and outstanding basic, clinical, and/or education research pertaining to pediatric physical therapy; and the **Thesis/Dissertation Award** given as recognition to member of the Section who has completed an outstanding research project as partial fulfillment for a master's degree. Section scholarships are: **Memorial Fund Scholarship** to help fund a member to prepare or sit for the APTA Clinical Specialist in Pediatrics (PCS) Certification Examination; **Minority Recruitment Grant** to fund the cost of national APTA, chapter, and Section membership dues to applicants from racial/ethnic minority groups; and **Student Essay Contest for CSM Registration**. Further information, including nomination forms, is available [online](#).

Don't Forget to Vote! Online Elections to Be Held Through November 15

Voting will be conducted electronically this year, as it was last year. Click [here](#) to cast your vote for Vice President, Secretary, Nominating and Election Committee member, Region III Director, and Region VII Director if you haven't already. Online elections will remain open through November 15.

Respond to the PT Month 2008 Survey by November 15

If you participated in the PT Month 2008 Buddy Up activity, or if you have an idea for a future PT Month initiative, please complete the [PT Month Survey online](#). The survey will be available until November 15.

Upcoming Deadlines

October 24: [Advance Registration Deadline for 2008 Advanced Clinical Practice in Pediatric Physical Therapy Course](#)

November 1: [Section Award Nominations Due](#)

November 1: [Section Scholarship Nominations Due](#)

November 1: [APTA Nomination Forms Due](#)

November 15: [Deadline to Vote in Section on Pediatrics Elections](#)

November 15: [Deadline to Complete PT Month 2008 Survey](#)

December 1: [APTA Honors and Awards Submissions Due](#)

Upcoming Events

Register Now:

- [Section on Pediatrics' 11th Annual Advanced Clinical Practice Course](#), November 7-9, Hartford, CT.
- [CSM Section on Pediatrics Preconference Course: Identification & Intervention for Vestibular Related Impairments in Children](#), February 9, Las Vegas, NV.
- [Combined Sections Meeting 2009](#), February 9-13, Las Vegas, NV.
- [International Cerebral Palsy Conference](#), February 18-21, Sydney, Australia.

Mark Your Calendars:

- **Section on Pediatrics' Providing School-based PT Under IDEA**, March 27-29, 2009, Dallas, TX.
- [APTA Annual Conference 2009](#), June 10-13, Baltimore, MD.
- **Section on Pediatrics Conference**, January 10-12, 2010, Orlando, FL.

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