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EI Course Update

The Early Intervention SIG has been busy planning conferences and courses to benefit providers of pediatric physical therapy. The first Early Intervention continuing education course was held in Chicago this past July. The feedback from the audience strongly confirms the need for education and informational forums pertaining to Early Intervention policy and service. Negotiations are currently underway to schedule the course again in Summer 2009 in Denver. The SIG also plans to have an EI track as part of the first annual Section on Pediatrics Conference scheduled for January 10-12, 2010, in Orlando. Mark your calendars!

APTA Learning Center Opportunities

Additional CEU educational opportunities may be accessed through [APTA's new online Learning Center](#) for home studies, audio, and interactive courses. Examples are Developmental Neuroplasticity and Recognizing and Reporting Signs of Child Abuse.

CSM 2009: Las Vegas, Feb 10-13 - EI Programming Highlights

Visit the [CSM Web page](#) to view all Section on Pediatric programming.

Sessions of specific interest to EI SIG members:

- Supporting Motor Development, Self-Care and Play of Preschool Children with Cerebral Palsy: Implications for Clinical Decision Making in Early Intervention
- Access to independence: why the time is right for the infant power mobility
- Providing Physical Therapy Services Under Parts B and C of the Individuals with Disabilities Act

Section Events

Interested in getting more involved in the Section on Pediatrics? Visit the Section's [Volunteer Page](#) to find out how to do it!

- Management of Children with Spinal Muscular Atrophy

Additional sessions of interest:

- PEDro, Hooked on Evidence and the future of accessing evidence (Research)
- How does this study apply to my patient? Interpretation of clinical research for the practicing clinician (Education)
- Interventions for birth brachial plexus palsy (Hand Rehabilitation)
- Emerging issues in Medicaid, Medicare and Private Insurance (Health Policy and Administration)
- Ethics Tract 1, 2, and 3 (Education)
- Contributions of the corticospinal and reticulospinal systems for control of reaching (Neurology)
- Physical Therapy as the core of the fitness/wellness industry (Private Practice)
- Beyond the Hoyer Lift: new technology in equipment for patient handling (Orthopedics)
- Hemophilia 101 for physical therapists (Oncology)

EI SIG Happenings

- EI SIG Chair Elisa Kennedy represents Section on Pediatrics and APTA at the 2008 OSEP National Early Childhood Conference, Washington, DC, as a forum presenter with AOTA and ASHA discussing personnel shortages in early intervention.
- The EI SIG responds to an opportunity to provide feedback for an early childhood inclusion position paper sponsored by Division of Early Childhood, Council on Exceptional Children and National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).
- Current projects under development by Section's EI SIG and Practice Committee:
 - SOP Fact Sheet: What is Socialization?
 - SOP Fact Sheet: Orthotics
 - SOP Fact Sheet: Natural Environments (revision)
 - SOP Fact Sheet: The ABCs of Pediatric Physical Therapy (revision)
 - SOP Fact Sheet: Models of Service Delivery in Pediatric Settings
 - Updated edition of "Providing Physical Therapy Services under Part B & Part C of IDEA" will be available in early 2009.

Visit the Section's Web site at www.pediatricapta.org for additional Section on Pediatrics happenings.

New Publications of Interest to EI SIG Members December 2008

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Volunteer Opportunities in SIG

If you would like to volunteer to work with the Early Intervention SIG, please visit the Section on Pediatric home page at www.pediatricapta.org and click on Volunteer Opportunities under Common Searches. We'd love to have you on board!

Upcoming Events

Register Now:

- [Combined Sections Meeting](#), February 9-13, Las Vegas, NV
- [Providing School-based Services Under IDEA](#), March 27-28, Dallas

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