

Curriculum Vitae

NAME: Elizabeth T. (Elisa) Kennedy PT PhD PCS

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM: University of South Alabama, Dept of Physical Therapy

EDUCATION: University of Georgia (Athens, GA), 1999 – 2004, Early Childhood Special Education, PhD received May 2004
Emory University (Atlanta, GA), 1985 – 1991, Physical Therapy with emphasis in Maternal and Child Health, MMSc received May 1991
Georgia State University (Atlanta, GA), 1976-1978 Physical Therapy, BS received May 1978

LICENSURE: State of Alabama Physical Therapy License PTH4942

CERTIFICATION: APTA Board Certified Pediatric Physical Therapist 2012
Neonatal Oral-Motor Assessment Scale (NOMAS), Atlanta, GA, Dec, 2003
Newborn Behavioral Observations (NBO), Brazleton Institute, Gainesville, GA Oct, 2003

Employment and Positions Held:

Current Employment **Title/Position:** Associate Professor, Clinical Doctorate of Physical Therapy Program, Tenure track
.20 FTE Clinical Appointment to Dept of Pediatrics, College of Medicine
Institution: University of South Alabama, College of Allied Health, Dept of Physical Therapy
Location: Mobile, AL
Duration: Sept 2006 to present

Title/Position: Physical Therapist Vendor
Institution: Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind Early Intervention Program
Location: Mobile, AL
Duration: Sept 2008 to present

Past Employment **Title/Position:** Program Specialist Neonatal Rehabilitation Team
Institution: Northside Hospital Department of Rehabilitation
Location: Atlanta, GA
Duration: June 1990 - Dec 1995 (Full-time) March 1995 to Aug 2006 part-time

Title/Position: Physical Therapist, Follow-up Neonatal Development Clinic
Institution: Children's Hospital of Atlanta at Scottish Rite
Location: Atlanta, GA
Duration: Jan 2003 to August 2006

Title/Position: Part-time Instructor
Institution: Georgia State University
Location: Atlanta, GA
Duration: Spring semester, 2005
Title/Position: Pediatric Private Practice Owner

Institution: Therapeutic Resources, Inc.
Location: Atlanta, GA 30345
Duration: August 1987 - June 1990

Title/Position: Staff Physical Therapist
Institution: Gwinnett County Board of Education
Location: Lawrenceville, GA
Duration: 1981-1985

Title/Position: Staff Physical Therapist
Institution: Dekalb County Board of Education
Location: Decatur, GA
Duration: 1978-1981

Contract/Consulting Positions

Title/Position: Faculty Practicum Supervisor –Special Education
Institution: University of Georgia Jan, 2005 to Aug, 2006
Location: Athens, GA
Duration: Jan 2005 to Aug 2006

Title/Position: Project SCEIs Trainer
Institution: Educational Psychology and Special Education, Georgia State University,
Location: Atlanta, GA
Duration: May 2005 to July 2006
Address: PO Box 3979, Atlanta, GA 30302

Title/Position: Pediatric CEU Course instructor
Institution: Therapeutic Service Systems (TSS) – Dec 2004 to Dec 2006
Location: Galveston, TX 77553
Duration: Dec 2004 to Dec 2006

Title/Position: Physical Therapy Service Provider Early Intervention Program
Institution: Metro East Health District
Location: Lawrenceville, GA
Duration: January 1995 to July 2005

Title/Position: Graduate Assistant
Institution: University of Georgia College of Education
 Dept of Special Education
Location: Athens, GA
Duration: Jan 2000 to July 2002

Title/Position: Coordinator Physical Therapy Services
Institution: Marcus Institute
Location: Atlanta, GA
Duration: Jan 1997 to Dec 1999

Title/Position: Part-Time Instructor
Institution: Emory University, Division of Physical Therapy
Location: Atlanta, GA
Duration: Spring and Summer semesters, 1988

Title/Position: Physical Therapy Consultant

Institution: Atlanta Regional Pediatric Rheumatology Center
Location: Atlanta, GA
Duration: May 1986 - July, 1997

Title: Physical Therapy Consultant
Institution: Emory University School of Medicine, Regional Pediatric Rheumatology Center
Location: Atlanta, GA
Duration: Aug 1997 to June 1990

Title/Position: PRN Physical Therapist
Institution: Egleston Children's Hospital
Location: Atlanta, GA
Duration: 1987 to 1990

Title/Position: Physical Therapy Consultant
Institution: Dawson and Lumpkin County Board of Education
Location: Dahlonega, GA and Dawsonville, GA
Duration: 1985

Title/Position: Physical Therapy Consultant
Institution: Fulton County Training Centers
Location: Atlanta, GA
Duration: 1981

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS:

Tucker JE, Alter JL, Dankbery N, Miller C, Kennedy E, Stemm K. Physical activity in children with autism spectrum disorder: Exploring barriers and the role of physical therapy. Abstracts of Platform Presentations at the 2015 Combined Sections Meeting: *Pediatr Phys Ther.* 2015;27(1):9-59.

Alotaibi M, Long T, Kennedy E, Bavishi S. The efficacy of GMFM-88 and GMFM-66 to detect changes in gross motor function in children with cerebral palsy (CP): a literature review. *Disabil Rehabil.* 2013:1–11.

Kennedy E, Swingle H, Anderson, Evaluating Family Centered Care Practices at an Interdisciplinary Autism Diagnostic Clinic: Administrative Case Report Abstracts of Platform Presentations at the 2013 Combined Sections Meeting: *Pediatr Phys Ther.* 2013;25(1):80–89.

Kennedy ET, White L. Utilizing Visual Motor Imagery and Active Engagement through Service Learning to Meet Neuromuscular Teaching Objectives in an Entry-level DPT Curriculum [Abstract].2011; *Physiotherapy* 97 (S1) eS1528.

Gagnon K, Kennedy E, Jeffries L, Chiarello L, Rapport MJ, and York S. *Team-based Service Delivery Approaches in Pediatric Practice*, 2010 . Available at <http://www.pediatricapta.org/consumer-patient-information/pdfs/Service%20Delivery.pdf>. Accessed Nov 18, 2011.

Kennedy, ET. Implementing Ethically-Sound Research on Online Health-related Support Groups. *The Internet Journal of Allied Health Sciences and Practice.* October 2008, 6(4).

Kennedy, E & Long, T. ROC-IT HOME: The Five Essential Elements for Physical Therapists Providing Services in the NICU. *Acute Care Perspectives*. Fall 2008, 17(3)

Kennedy, ET. A Review of The Art and Practice of Home Visiting: Early Intervention for Children With Special Needs and Their Families. 2009 *Physical & Occupational Therapy In Pediatrics*, Volume 29 Issue 3, 334

Kennedy, ET. Promoción del desarrollo de su hijo: información recursos para familias de niños con discapacidades. 2006. Available at <http://www.pediatricapta.org/consumer-patient-information/pdfs/10%20Spanish%20Resources.pdf>. Accessed Nov 17, 2011.

Kennedy, ET. Promoting Your Child's Development: Information Resources for Families of Children with Disabilities. Section on Pediatrics of the APTA, 2006. Available at: <http://www.pediatricapta.org/graphics/FamilyResources.pdf> Accessed Sept 15, 2009.

Chiarello LA, Jeffries L, Kennedy E., Rapport MJ. Natural Environments in Early Intervention Service. Section on Pediatrics of the APTA. 2008. Available at: <http://www.pediatricapta.org/consumer-patient-information/pdfs/Natural%20Env%20Fact%20Sheet.pdf> . Accessed Nov 19, 2011.

PEER REVIEWED JOURNAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Book Review Editor

Physical and Occupational Therapy in Pediatrics

Manuscript Reviewer

Physical Therapy Journal

Pediatric Physical Therapy

Physical and Occupational Therapy in Pediatrics

Qualitative Health Review

Quality of Life Research

Journal of Early Intervention

PEER REVIEWED SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Presenter: Kennedy EK, Mitchel A, and Costarides, A.

Title: Case Study: Interdisciplinary Small Group Facilitator

Occasion: Project TIPP: Updates for Evidence-based Practice for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD)\

Date: Jan 2016

Presenter: Kennedy ET

Title: Developmental Parenting to Optimize Functional Independence in Young Children with Disabilities

Occasion: Section on Pediatrics Annual Conference, Pittsburgh, PA

Date: Nov 2015

Presenter: Kennedy ET, York, S

Title: Collaborative Care Beyond the NICU for Successful Outcomes into Adulthood

Occasion: PT NEXT: APTA Annual Conference, National Harbor, MD.

Date: June 2015

Presenter: Kennedy ET

Title: Fun with Movement

Presenter: Kennedy ET, York, S

Title: Evaluating the Young Infant

Presenter: Kennedy ET, Fassbender P, Douglas J, LeBlanc K, Smith J, Baxter A

Title: Evaluating and Determining Appropriate Services

Occasion: 30th Annual Alabama EI and Preschool Conference, Mobile, AL

Date: Nov 2014

Presenters: Kenyon L, Kennedy ET

Title: Enhancing Clinical Reasoning in PT Practice within the School System: Application of the School-based HOFA

Occasion: Section on Pediatrics Annual Conference, St Louis, MO

Date: Oct 2014

Presenter: Kennedy, E.T. Evaluating family centered care practices at an interdisciplinary autism diagnostic clinic: Administrative case report. Platform Presentation 2013 Annual Meeting. San Diego, CA, Jan 23, 2013.

Presenter: Kennedy, E.T. "Birds of a Feather": Building Effective Teams. 28th Annual Early Intervention and Preschool Conference, Mobile, AL, Dec 3, 2012

Moderator: Kennedy, E.T. AIDB Early Intervention Team, . 28th Annual Early Intervention and Preschool Conference, Mobile, AL, Dec 3, 2012.

Presenter: Kennedy, E.T., Graham C, Clark, D, White, L. Responding to the Needs of the Millennials: Promoting Student Competencies in the Classroom and Beyond. American Physical Therapy Association (APTA), Annual Conference, Tampa, FL, June 8, 2012.

Presenter: Gubler, C, Kennedy, ET, Tucker, J. Exploring Parental Influence as Enablers of Physical Activity Level in Children. Poster Presentation. American Physical Therapy Association (APTA), Annual Conference, Tampa, FL, June 8, 2012.

Presenter: Long, T, Kennedy, ET, Stemm, K. Evaluating Motor Deficits/Difficulties in Children Along a Continuum of Disorders – Not CP. Section on Pediatrics Annual Conference (SOPAC), Orlando, FL. Sept 23, 2012

Moderator: Kennedy, ET Stemm, K, Spina, N. M. Pillai, B, Sylvester, L, Tucker, J. The Role of PT in Autism: Reflecting on Current Practice. Section on Pediatrics Annual Conference (SOPAC), Orlando, FL. Sept 24, 2012.

Presenters: Kennedy ET, Graham C, Clark D, White L

Title: Responding to the Needs of Millennials: Promoting Competence in the Classroom and Beyond

Occasion: PT 2012 APTA Annual Conference

Date: June 2012

Presenter: Kennedy ET

Title: Interdisciplinary Round Table

Occasion: 27 Annual Early Intervention and Preschool Conference

Date: Nov 2011

Presenters: O' Kelley S, Kennedy ET

Title: Act Early Alabama: Early Identification of Autism Spectrum Disorder and other Developmental Disabilities

Occasion: Alabama Early Intervention and Preschool Conference

Date: Nov 2011

Presenters: Kennedy ET, Nalty L, Rhodes C, Scheffkind

Title: Role of Allied Health Professions in Early Detection of Autism: National surveys of Pre-referral Practices and Service Implications
Occasion: Representing Section on Pediatrics, APTA, Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD) Annual Conference, Washington, DC
Date: Nov 2011

Presenters: Kennedy ET, Kirsch N
Title: Dealing with “Sticky Situations” in Pediatrics: Ethics and Core Values
Occasion: Section on Pediatrics Annual Conference, Anaheim, CA
Date: Sept 2011

Presenter: Kennedy ET
Title: Role of the Professional Association in Addressing Competency for Physical Therapists in the US
Occasion: Presented written paper, International Society of Early Intervention, New York, New York
Date: May 2011

Presenter: Kennedy ET
Title: Utilizing Visual Motor Imagery and Active Engagement Through Service Learning to Meet Neuromuscular Teaching Objectives in an Entry-level DPT Curriculum.
Occasion: Poster Presentation. World Physical Therapy Conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands
Date: June 2011

Presenters: Chandler B, Issurdatt S, Kennedy ET, Paul D, Ellis D, Twining-Martin J
Title: Preparing Occupational Therapists (OTs), Physical Therapists (PTs), and Speech Language Pathologists (SLPs) for Part C and 619 Services: The View from the Professional Associations
Occasion: Representing Section on Pediatrics, APTA, 2010 Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) Leadership Mega Conference, Washington, DC
Date: Aug 2010

Presenters: Kennedy ET, Kirsch N
Title: “Protecting the Rights of Child when They Differ from Those of the Parent”,
Occasion: CSM APTA, San Diego, CA,
Date: Feb 2010

Presenter: Kennedy ET
Title: Natural Environments: Making it Work
Occasion: Section on Pediatrics Annual Conference 2010, Orlando, FL
Date: Jan 2010

Presenter: Kennedy ET
Title: Meeting the Needs of Children and Families in an Every-changing Environment
Occasion: Section on Pediatrics Annual Conference 2010, Orlando, FL
Date: Jan 2010

Presenter: Kennedy ET
Title: Red Flags for Tummy ‘Time
Occasion: 24th Annual Alabama Early Intervention and Preschool Conference, Birmingham, AL
Date: Nov 2009

Presenters: Kennedy ET, John B, Kutkic C

Title: Focus on Fitness

Occasion: 24th Annual Alabama Early Intervention and Preschool Conference, Birmingham, AL

Date: Nov 2009

Presenter: Kennedy ET

Title: The Healthcare Researcher: Examining Ethical Dilemmas Associated with Listserv Environments

Occasion: Session Presenter, APTA Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD

Date: June 2009

Presenters: Kennedy ET, Vail C

Title: An Online Support Group: Informational Needs of Families with Premature Children: Poster Presentation

Occasion: 16th Annual Research Forum

Date: April 2009

Presenters: Chandler B, Paul D, Kennedy ET, Issuradatt S, Ellis D, Twining-Martin

Title: Professional Associations Speak Out about Personnel Development

Occasion: Representing Section on Pediatrics, APTA, Office of Special Education Programs, National Early Childhood Conference, Washington, DC

Date: Dec 2009

Presenters: Kennedy E, Wooster, D, York S, Elmore A, Benton K

Title: Core Strengthening & Sensorimotor Activities: Developing Motor Coordination Abilities for the Preschool Child

Occasion: 24th Annual Alabama Early Intervention and Preschool Conference, Mobile, AL

Date: Nov, 2008

Presenter: Kennedy ET

Title: An On-line Support Group: Health-related Informational needs of Families with Premature Children

Occasion: Poster Presentation APTA Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX

Date: June 2008

Presenters: Kennedy ET, Nanof T, Paul D, Schefkind S, Twining-Martin J

Title: Personnel Issues in Early Intervention: A Discussion with Service Provider Associations

Occasion: 2008 Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) National Early Childhood Conference, Washington, DC

Date: Dec 2008

Presenters: Kennedy ET, York SC

Title: The Therapists' Playground: Clinical vs EI Service Delivery

Occasion: 23rd Annual Early Intervention Preschool Conference and Disability Expo

Date: Nov 2007

Presenters: Kennedy ET, Vail CO

Title: An On-line Support Group: Informational Needs of Families with Premature Infants

Occasion: 14th Qualitative Health Research Conference, Seoul, Korea

Date: May 2007 (accepted; unable to attend)

Presenters: Roulston KR, Dunlap DR, Kennedy ET, Wise T, Gale J

Title: Symposium: Credibility Constructs
Occasion: 20 Annual Interdisciplinary Qualitative Studies Conference, UGA, Athens, GA
Date: Jan 2007

Presenter: Kennedy ET
Title(s): Overview of the NICU and Common Medical Conditions that Affect Development, Assessment of the High Risk Infant's Development, Services for High Risk Infants
Occasion: 21st Annual Alabama Early Intervention and Preschool Conference
Date: Nov 2005

Presenters: Kennedy ET, Jeffries L
Title(s): Keys to Natural Environments, Transdisciplinary Teaming in Early Intervention, Panel Facilitator Birth to Three Forum
Occasion: Reach Conference, Wisconsin Physical Therapy Association
Date: July 2004

Presenters: Kennedy ET, Roulston K
Title: The Search of Authenticity: Are you for Real, written paper presentation
Occasion: Conference on Interdisciplinary Qualitative Studies, UGA, Athens, GA
Date: Jan 2004

Presenters: Jun S, Kennedy ET
Title: Follow up of the NICU Graduate
Occasion: Clinical Update, Special Case Nurseries, Northside Hospital, Atlanta, GA
Date: Sept 2003

Presenter: Kennedy ET
Title: Ethical Issues in Internet Research
Occasion: Conference on Interdisciplinary Qualitative Studies, UGA, Athens, GA
Date: Jan 2003

Presenter: Kennedy ET
Title: Exploring Internet-based Parent-to-Parent Groups
Occasion: Division of Early Childhood Annual Conference, San Diego, CA
Date: Dec 2002

Presenter: Kennedy ET
Title: What an Early Interventionist Needs to Know about Technology-Dependent Infants and Toddlers, Poster Presentation
Occasion: Division of Early Childhood Annual Conference, Boston, MA
Date: Dec 2001

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

An Investigation of Current Perspectives and Needs of Alabama Early Intervention Service Provider Professionals, PI: Kennedy EI, Co-PI: Wooster, DA, Nov 2011

An Investigation of Current Perspectives and Needs of Alabama Early Intervention Administrators and Program Managers, PI: Wooster DA, Co-PI: Kennedy ET

USA Research Council Research Grant
 Family-Centered Care During Early Stages of Autism Identification, Project funded for \$2,543, PI: Kennedy (2007-2011)

Parent Perceptions on Young Children's Physical Activity, PI: Kennedy EK, Gubler, C, student investigators mentored (2010 – 2011)

The Current Role of Physical Therapy in Autism: A Survey of Practice, PI Kennedy ET, in association with CDC, AUCD, and AOTA, student investigators mentored. (2010 -2011)

Supervision of Independent Physical Therapy Student Research Groups

Family-Centered Measures of Care During Early Stages of Autism Identification
2013-2014

Reaching, Grasping, and Head Orientation: Comparisons of Typical
Preschoolers and those with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) 2012-2013

Family Centered Care During the Autism Diagnostic Process 2011-2012

The Current Role of Physical Therapy in Autism for the Young Child: A Survey of
Practice 2009-2010

Parental Perceptions of Child Physical Activity 2009-2010

Validity of a Survey to Assess Physical Therapy Student's Knowledge of Autism
2008-2009

Significance of Head Circumference in Predicting Motor Delay in Extremely Low
Birth Weight Infants, performed in association with Department of Pediatrics,
College of Medicine, Univ of South AL, 2008-2009

Self-efficacy for Health Promoting Behaviors among Adolescents in Mobile
County Area of Alabama 2007-2008

Parents of Children with Cerebral Palsy: Developmental Anticipatory Guidance
2006-2007

Honors Program: Undergraduate Senior Thesis Research

Accuracy of Diagnosis of Cerebral Palsy in Extremely Low Birth Weight Infants, Miles A,
Faculty Advisor: Kennedy ET, In collaboration with Department of Pediatrics, College of
Medicine, Univ of South AL, Completed Thesis and Honors degree received, 2008-2009

Parental Beliefs about Exercise in Children with Down Syndrome
Johnston A, Faculty Advisor: Kennedy ET, Completed Thesis Proposal, 2009-2010.

Previous Studies Conducted under Graduate School Requirements

Dissertation: "Isolated But Not Alone: Examining an Internet-based Self-help Forum for
Families of Premature Infants", (May, 2004) Ethnographic Qualitative Study

"Isolated But Not Alone: An Internet-based Self-help Forum for Families of Premature – A
Pilot Study" In-depth case study (2003)

"The Effects of Music and Mother's Voice on Heart Rate, Respiratory Rate, and Oxygen
Saturation Levels of Very Low Birthweight Infants with Routine Nurse Interventions in the
Neonatal Intensive Care Unit" (2000-2002) Single-subject Alternating Treatment Design

“Serial Plaster Casting in Reducing Flexion Contractures in Patients with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis” (1991) Retrospective study of treatment effectiveness

NON-PEER REVIEWED PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS AND GUEST LECTURES

Presenter: Kennedy, E. T. Current Perspectives on Developmental Coordination Disorder (DCD): Translating Evidenced-based Practice across Diverse School-based Settings, Educational and Developmental Intervention Services (EDIS) Rota Naval Air Station, Rota, Spain, March 11, 2013.

Presenter: Kennedy EK

Topic: “Promoting Student Success in the Classroom and Beyond”:

Responding to the Needs of the “Millennials” in Higher Education Programs

Occasion: Univ of South AL Innovation in Learning Center Teaching Seminar

Date: Oct 2011

Guest Lecturer: Kennedy ET, Wooster D

Topic: PT and OT in School-based Settings

Occasion: EDU 313 (General Ed and Special Education undergraduate students) , USA, Mobile, AL

Date: Oct 2011

Presenters: Kennedy ET as member of Presentation Team (Therapy Service Provider Representative)

Title: A Vital Message About Alabama’s Early Intervention System

Occasion: Alabama Early Intervention System Training Workshops, Mobile, AL and Birmingham, AL

Date: July 2010

Presenters: Kennedy ET, Caraway K, Oliver R, Melancon J

Title: Act Early Awareness and Training Initiative

Occasion: Autism Grand Rounds, USA Autism Interest Group

Date: Feb 2011

Guest Lecturer: Kennedy ET

Topic: Physical Therapy in School-based Settings

Occasion: Special Education Undergraduate Students, USA, Mobile, AL

Date: Oct 2011

Facilitator: Kennedy ET

Title: Knowledge Network Presentations: Early Intervention

Occasion: APTA Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX

Date: June 2008

Guest Lecturer: Kennedy ET

Topics: Cultural Implications for Human Development, Neonatal Development (2 classes)

Occasion: Honors Anatomy Seminar PT 490

Date: Spring Semester 2008

Presenter: Kennedy ET

Title: Is my Baby OK

Occasion: Training Event Early Intervention Council of Southwest Alabama, Mobile, AL

Date: June 2007

Presenter: Kennedy ET

Title: Proposed Part C Regulatory Changes

Occasion: Training Event Early Intervention Council of Southwest Alabama, Atmore, AL

Date: Aug 2007

Instructor: Athens, GA

Title: Early Childhood Special Education – Assessment, SPED 7100, Athens, GA

Date: Fall 2000

Co-instructor and Teaching Assistant:

Title: Survey of Early Childhood Special Education, Collaborative course taught between General Early Childhood Special Education and Early Childhood Special Education, University of Georgia, Athens, GA, Spring 2000

Guest Speaker

Title “Classroom activities to promote motor development of the pre-school child”, Valdosta, GA South Georgia Psychoeducational Preschool Teachers, Dec 1989

Guest Instructor

Atlanta, GA Clinical Measures, Division of Physical Therapy, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, Intervention in OB/GYN and Pediatrics”, Spring, 1988

CONTINUING EDUCATION WORKSHOPS CONDUCTED/ORGANIZED

Conference Planning Committee Member

Alabama Early Intervention and Preschool Conference 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008 , 2007

Section on Pediatrics Annual Conference 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014

Vital Message, Alabama Early Intervention Services Training Workgroup (2010)

Section on Pediatrics: The IDEA Part C Early Intervention Programs: Implementing Competencies for Physical Therapists, 2008

Continuing Education/Workshops Conducted

Kennedy, E. Baxter, A. Sheets, C. Smith, J., LeBlanc, K., Fassbender, P. Changing Lives, Changing Minds, Early Intervention Council of Southwest Alabama, Mobile, AL, April 4, 2014

Kennedy, E. Current Perspectives on Developmental Coordination Disorder: Translating Evidence-based Practice across Diverse Settings, Mobile Alabama Physical Therapy Organization, August, 2013

Kennedy, E. Role of the Physical Therapist in Autism Spectrum Disorder

Mobile Alabama Physical Therapy Organization, August, 2013

Feeding the High Risk Infant, Children’s Hospital of Alabama, Birmingham, AL Jan 2009

Optimizing the Development of the Older High Risk Infant in the NICU to Home, Children’s Hospital of Alabama, Birmingham, AL, Jan 2009

Optimizing Development of the Older High-Risk Infant in the NICU and After Discharge,
Hofstra University, NYC, Nov 2008

Tummy Time Protocols: Managing or Preventing Early Developmental Delays
USA Dept of Physical Therapy CEU Series, Mobile, AL Sept 2008

Therapeutic Intervention in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit

St Johns University, NYC Oct 14-14, 2007
Dallas, TX, August 5-6, 2006
Texas Children's Hospital, Houston, TX June 3-4, 2006
Beechwood, Ohio June 12-17, 2006
Philadelphia, PA July 8-9, 2006

Optimizing Developmental Outcome for the High Risk Infant
USA Dept of Physical Therapy CEU Series, Mobile, AL Aug 2007

Current Best Practice: Early Intervention for the Infant and Toddler with Special Needs
Webster (Houston), TX, Clear Lake Regional Medical Center (Oct 20-21, 2001),
Ft Lauderdale, FL, Broward General Medical Center (Aug 11-12, 2001),
Denver, CO, Presbyterian-St Luke's Medical Center (July 21-22, 2001)

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Appointed Committee Member, Alabama Early Intervention Personnel Preparation
Committee, appointed 4 year term (2010- 2013)

Appointed Committee Member, Surveillance and Early Screening Sub-Committee,
Autism Task Force, Alabama Legislative Committee (2010 to present)

Committee member, Alabama Early Intervention Conference Planning Committee (2007
to present)

Committee member, Vital Message Workgroup, Alabama Early Intervention Program
2010, promoting standards of best practice in early intervention

Committee Member, Training and Development Subcommittee, Early Intervention
Council of Southwest Alabama, District VI (2007 to present)

Alabama State Obesity Task Force, member (2007 to present)

Appointed Member of Personnel Preparation Committee for Georgia's State Interagency
Coordinating Council for Early Intervention, Babies' Can't Wait (Jan, 1999 – 2006)

Member of Service Delivery Preparation Committee for Georgia's State Interagency
Coordinating Council for Early Intervention (Jan 2000 – July 2002)

Member of Higher Education Consortium, Babies' Can't Wait (Mar 2000 – present)

Georgia Alliance for Drug Endangered Children (July 2005 –present)

Evaluation and Assessment Work Group, Georgia Babies' Can't Wait Technical
Assistance Unit, Department of Human Resources, Division of Public Health (May
2003 - June 2003)

Natural Environments Work Group, Georgia Babies' Can't Wait, Department of Human Resources, Division of Public Health, (Jan, 1999 - June, 1999)

Appointed as liaison from the Physical Therapy Association of Georgia to the BCW work group as an essential provider; Served as leader of the Funding Subcommittee

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) and Alabama Chapter since 1978

Member of Following Sections:

Section on Pediatrics

Section on Research - Qualitative Research Special Interest Group

Education Section

Health Policy and Administration Section

Division of Early Childhood, Council on Exceptional Children

Specific Responsibilities and Activities for APTA, Section on Pediatrics Activities:

Founding Chair, Early Intervention Special Interest Group established in 2007

Appointed Member Liaison to Following External Organizations:

Learn the Signs, Act Early Campaign, National Center on Birth Defects & Developmental Disabilities, CDC, Center for Disease Control and Prevention (2010 to present)

The Council for Exceptional Children Division for Early Childhood, Council on Exceptional Children (2007-2011)

Office of Special Education Programs/ National Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (2007-2011)

Autism Special Task Force, Practice Committee – Current member

Member Specialization Academy of Content Experts, American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties (2008-2010)

Nominating Committee (2002-2005, chair 2004-05)

Past Regional Director Region VI – Southeastern Region Pediatric Section, 1997-2001

Pediatric Specialty Council (APTA) Activities - Served on the Pediatric Standard Setting Committee (Philadelphia, PA, 5/2001) and Advisory Committee (San Antonio, TX, 2/15-16, 2001)

Member Special Task force for Babies' Can't Wait - Georgia Physical Therapy Association

Past Secretary/Membership Chair for Section on Women's Health

Past Section News Editor for the Journal of the Section on Women's Health

