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AAPT AT 2023 APTA COMBINED SECTION MEETING

Members of the AAPT showed up in a big way at the 2023 APTA Combined Sections Meeting (CSM) in San Diego, California. This is the first year that AAPT participated as an exhibitor during CSM. The booth was a hub for Black and Brown therapy practitioners to gather, network, and learn more about the AAPT. Both current and past members, students, and potential new members took advantage of the for a free CEU course.

AAPT representatives were also invited to participate in a new Collaborative for Physical Therapy Education and participate in an introductory meeting. This collaboration consists of 22 participating organizations committed to working together to inclusively facilitate change, increase diversity, and advance physical therapy education. The collaborative has committed to meeting four times a year.

Here are some other highlights from the 2023 APTA CSM conference.



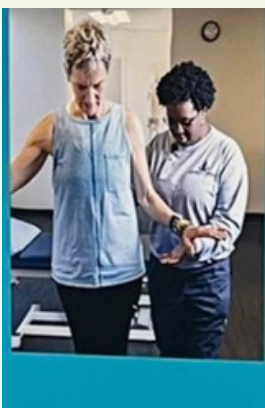
STUDENT POSTER BOARD

Alabama State University students, Morgan Clausell, Paris Fountain, Nikia Moore, and Zoie Wilson, under the leadership of Dr. Charlene Portee, were awarded a ribbon for their poster, *Cultural Competence in Physical Therapists*.



SPEAKERS

Three current and past AAPT members presented at this year's APTA CSM conference: Dr. Dawn Brown, Dr. Eddie Traylor, and Dr. Lisa VanHoose (pictured from left to right).

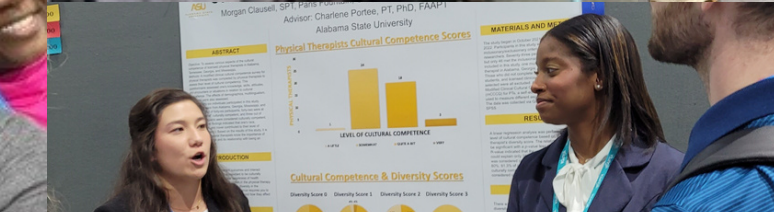


APTA Advertisement

The Academy's executive secretary, Dr. Shanelle James, was featured on the banners displayed at CSM.



CSM was a great opportunity to see both old and new friends



SEPTEMBER 21-23, 2023



SUCCESS THROUGH SYNERGY

2023 AAPT CONFERENCE



WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT FROM THE 2023 CONFERENCE

Planning for this year's conference is off to a good start. Registration is open and conference is packed with education opportunities. This year, the Academy will host a two-day preconference course: APTA Credentialed Clinical Instructor Program Level 1. This course will offer 15.5 CEUs in addition to those awarded at the conference. It is the goal of the Academy to create a registry of Black clinical instructors for current PT schools and students.

We are proud to announce that the Thursday's night private practice roundtable and reception will occur at the new AAPT headquarters in Midtown, Cleveland. Come and see our growth.

As always, conference will be full of stellar continuing education experiences. This year's conference will host courses on lymph/lipoedema, pediatric orthopedics, and minority health.

Stay tune for more information on after conference entertainment and events.

**EARLY-BIRD
REGISTRATION
ENDS: APRIL
30, 2023**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-aapt-conference-tickets-571000326347>

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2024 AAPT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CRITERIA:

- > STUDENT PT/PTA
- > 2.75 GPA OR BETTER
- > DEMONSTRATE NEED
- > COMMIT TO AAPT ENGAGEMENT
- > WELL WRITTEN ESSAY RESPONSES
- > REPRESENT A MINORITY COMMUNITY



COMMITMENT TO THE NEXT GENERATION

This year we awarded \$5K in scholarships to 5 student physical therapists:

Nina Acosta - Misericordia University, Class of 2023

Sydney Pulliam - New York Medical College, Class of 2023

Julia Kumai - University of North Texas Health Science Center, Class of 2026

Jada Martin - Arcadia University, Class of 2023

Lee Eaton - Harding University, Class of 2023



WHAT CAN I DO?

Ways to be involved throughout the year:

- social media
- fundraising/advertising committee
- newsletter
- conference committee
- innovative services initiatives
- nominating committee
- Scholarship committee
- executive board member

Please send an email to aaptnetinfo@gmail.com to get connected.

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MEMBERS' CORNER



SOCIETAL IMPACT AWARD

Dawn Brown, PT, DPT, EdD was rewarded the Societal Impact Award by Illinois APTA. This award recognizes

therapists who exemplify a compassionate nature, exhibit a commitment to philanthropic initiatives, raise public awareness on key societal issues, and apply these traits to physical therapy.



High School Career Fair

Tamara Johnson, PT, DPT presented to Oxon Hill High School students about a career in physical therapy along with- 'Buddy.' Thanks for the impact you are making Dr. Johnson!

JOB BOARD

Hanover College DPT program is a hybrid program located near Louisville, KY and we are looking for more adjunct instructors to teach at our lab immersions. Lab immersions are usually 3-6 days long, depending on the course. Prior teaching experience is not necessary. The program pays all travel/housing/food while at the lab immersion and pays a teaching stipend as well. We are looking for experienced clinicians who may be interested in dipping their toes into academia. Our program values diversity and has a cohort of 100 students, 80% out of state, 40% students of color, and 60% from rural or urban environments. If anyone has an interest, please reach out to parr@hanover.edu.

LOOKING FOR EXHIBITORS AND SPONSORS

Is your company hiring? Are you looking to increase minority representation at your company or university?

Consider being an exhibitor or sponsor at the 2023 AAPT conference. Your company's information will be displayed on all conference material. You will meet talented and qualified therapy practitioners in every area of the profession while supporting the Academy's efforts to address healthcare equity.



SAVE THE DATE

LEVELING UP INITIATIVE	27 APRIL
WOUND CARE WEBINAR	15 MAY
REVEAL WEALTH	20 MAY
2023 AAPT CONFERENCE	21-23 SEPTEMBER

Have something you want to see in the newsletter?

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