



**APTA**

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**APTA Pediatrics 2024**

# **Awards & Recognitions**

**PRESENTED AT: APTA COMBINED SECTIONS MEETING**

**Boston, MA**

**February 16, 2024, 6:30-9:30 pm**

# Service Awards



## **Jeanne Fischer Distinguished Mentorship Award**

Recognizes sustained, altruistic mentorship beyond that expected within the nominee's regular employment.

## **Lynn M Jeffries, PT, DPT, PhD**

Lynn is Associate Professor and Vice Chair in the Department of Rehabilitation Science at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center in Oklahoma City and an International Collaborator for the CanChild Centre for Childhood Disability Research. Her research interests include outcomes for children with cerebral palsy and school based physical therapy services. Dr Jeffries serves as the Vice President of APTA Pediatrics and has held many elected positions at the state and national levels of the profession. Her passion is mentorship and advising new professionals.



## **Susan Effgen Advocacy Award**

Recognizes consistent support for the delivery of pediatric physical therapy services via advocacy for or participation in legislation, policies, and/or procedures at the regional, state, or national level.

## **Durga Shah, PT, DPT, PCS**

Durga is a practicing pediatric board-certified clinical specialist at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. She covers the Developmental Progress Clinic for NICU graduates and the Muscular Dystrophy clinic in addition to having an outpatient practice currently. She has an appointment as Assistant Clinical Professor at Emory University in Atlanta, GA and teaches pediatric content at entry and elective levels. Dr Shah has extensive experience in clinical pediatric settings in acute care, outpatient rehab, specialty clinics and global health/education. Throughout her career Dr Shah has advocated for changes in policies that support physical therapy services for children.



## **Distinguished Service Award for External Advocates**

Recognizes contribution(s) of exceptional value to APTA Pediatrics by an individual or organization.

## **Cindy Sliwa, CAE**

Cindy has worked with APTA Pediatrics since 2001, when it was the Section on Pediatrics with 3600 members, one course per year, and a quarterly print newsletter – a part-time job, so she also served as Associate Director of Component Services. Prior to that, she was the Editor of Component Publications in APTA's Publications Department producing newsletters, journals, books, monographs, and more. Previous work was in marketing and promotion at a Pittsburgh publishing company. Cindy has completed her certificate from the Institute of Organizational Management and earned her CAE from the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE).

# Research Awards



## Dissertation Award

Recognizes completion of an outstanding research project as partial fulfillment for a research doctorate (eg, PhD, DSc, EdD).

## Becky Molinini, PT, DPT

Becky is a physical therapist who has worked in a multitude of clinical settings including working with children with cerebral palsy living in underserved areas of Cape Town, South Africa. After 10 years of clinical practice, Becky returned to Virginia Commonwealth University to achieve her PhD under the mentorship of Dr Stacey Dusing. She is currently a postdoctoral fellow in the Partnership for People with Disabilities at Virginia Commonwealth University. Becky's true passion is supporting children and families receiving early intervention physical therapy. Her research focuses on the three-way relationship between pediatric physical therapy, developmental delay or disability, and familial well-being. Becky's research is grounded within her personal values and beliefs of equitable access to high-quality and inclusive health care.

# Outstanding Research Abstract Awards

Recognizes an outstanding research abstract submitted to APTA Pediatrics for a platform and poster presentation at the APTA Pediatrics Annual Conference and APTA Combined Sections Meeting.

## POSTER

### APTA Pediatrics AC 2023:

Infant and family centered developmental care principles, standards, competencies, and best practice guidelines for neonatal intensive care practice

Jane Sweeney,  
Jan McElroy

## PLATFORM

### APTA Pediatrics AC 2023:

High intensity gait training in children with brain injury: a case series

Carlin Bowersox,  
Alyssa Herzog

## POSTER

### CSM 2024:

Use of tummy time intervention with preterm infants in the neonatal intensive care unit

Dawn Drumm

## PLATFORM

### CSM 2024:

Evaluating feasibility and validity of wearable sensors for infant prone play: from lab to home

Ketaki Inamdar

# Scholarships



## ***Pediatric Physical Therapy Journal Mentored Writing Scholarship***

APTA Pediatrics provides this scholarship to facilitate mentor-mentee relationships among experienced and novel authors.

## **Sandra Ribeiro, PT, MSED, PCS**

Sandra works as a Senior Physical Therapist and a Clinical Instructor at the New York City Department of Education. She is an adjunct professor at Dominican College DPT Program and at LaGuardia Community College PTA Program. Sandra has co-authored a chapter of a book by Slack titled *Interprofessional perspectives for community-oriented practice: Promoting health, well-being, and quality of life*. She has served on a panel of experts to share innovative solutions with the Chancellor of the New York City Department of Education. Sandra has 28 years of experience and is an active member of the APTA-NY as a delegate and is the Pediatric Special Interest Group Secretary. She is actively involved in the APTA Pediatrics fact sheets and is an item writer for the ABPTS Pediatric Certification Examination.



## ***Pediatric Physical Therapy*** **Journal Mentored Writing** **Scholarship**

APTA Pediatrics provides this scholarship to facilitate mentor-mentee relationships among experienced and novel authors.

# **Kimberly D Wynarczuk, PT, DPT, PhD, MPH**

Kimberly is an Associate Professor in the Department of Rehabilitation Sciences at Moravian University in Bethlehem, PA. She is a Board-Certified Pediatric Clinical Specialist and a Certified Health Education Specialist. Dr Wynarczuk started her physical therapy career as a school-based physical therapist with the Bucks County Intermediate Unit and currently serves as the School-Based SIG representative to the APTA Pediatrics Research Committee. She has been a full-time faculty member in graduate-level physical therapy programs since 2011. Dr Wynarczuk has conducted, published, and presented research on a variety of pediatric-related physical therapy topics, including the use of experiential learning with children in DPT education, school-based goal development in school-based practice, and the participation of students with disabilities in school trips.



## **Carol Gildenberg Dichter Memorial PCS Scholarship**

Reimburses the cost of an APTA Pediatrics course registration to help prepare for the PCS exam.

## **Emily Gard, PT, DPT**

Emily completed her DPT and Healthcare Professions Education Certificate at Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions (RMUoHP) in 2022. She was the 2022-2023 pediatric resident at Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt and Belmont University. She is completing her PhD in Integrated Health Sciences (RMUoHP) and has a special interest in qualitative and mixed methods research. She is a physical therapist in the acute care setting at Seattle Children's Hospital, where she particularly enjoys working with children with neurologic diagnoses, amputations, arthrogryposis, and in the PICU/CICU.

# Attendance Scholarships for Students/New Professionals

Assists one student and one new professional to attend the APTA Pediatrics Annual Conference or the APTA Combined Sections Meeting.

## NEW PROFESSIONAL

**APTA Pediatrics  
Annual Conference  
2023**

**Madelyn Foulk**

## STUDENT

**APTA Pediatrics  
Annual Conference  
2023**

**Asha Sevak**

## NEW PROFESSIONAL

**APTA Combined  
Sections Meeting 2024**

**Kate Lindemann**

## STUDENT

**APTA Combined  
Sections Meeting 2024**

***no applicants***

# Diversity Development Scholarship for Student/New Professional

Awards one student and one new professional with the cost of national APTA, chapter, and APTA Pediatrics dues.

**NEW PROFESSIONAL**

**Edward Yeboah**

**STUDENT**

*no applicants*

# ***Pediatric Physical Therapy*** **Journal Awards**



## **Toby Long Journal Award**

Honors the author of the best manuscript published in *Pediatric Physical Therapy* not adapted from a thesis or dissertation.

# **Natalie Koziol, PhD (with Drs. Stacey Dusing, Regina Harbourne, and Lin-Ya Hsu)**

## **“START-Play Physical Therapy Intervention Indirectly Impacts Cognition Through Changes in Early Motor-Based Problem-Solving Skills”**

Natalie is a research assistant professor for the Nebraska Academy for Methodology, Analytics and Psychometrics within the Nebraska Center for Research on Children, Youth, Families and Schools at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She has been a member of the START-Play consortium since 2015 and has served as the lead methodologist on two randomized clinical trials evaluating the efficacy of START-Play.



## Shaaron Brown, PT, DPT, PhD (ABD)

### “Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on a Clinical Trial: A Quantitative Report on Study Engagement and Strategies”

Shaaron is an ABPTS board certified pediatric physical therapist with clinical experiences delivering services to children in the educational or medical models. She provides services in the neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) and in the NICU follow-up clinic to infants born preterm, with brain injuries and medical conditions. She is currently a full-time therapist while also working on her PhD at Virginia Commonwealth University.

## Jeanne Hughes Journal Award

Honors the author of the best manuscript published in *Pediatric Physical Therapy* adapted from a thesis or dissertation.

# Grants

# APTA Pediatrics Clinical Residency/Fellowship Program Development Grant

Assists potential pediatric residency and fellowship programs with the ABPTRFE accreditation process. This year, the following program received this grant:

**University of Utah Pediatric Residency**

# APTA Pediatrics Research Grant Recipients

- **\$30,000 Research 1 Grant** to **Victoria Marchese, PT, PhD**, for *Sickle Cell Children's Exercise Study (SuCCESs): Determining the effects of a targeted exercise training program on neuromuscular performance, locomotor efficiency, and exercise tolerance in children with sickle cell disease.*
- **\$9,963 Research 2 Grant** to **Ketaki Inamdar, PT, PhD**, for *A novel AI-based approach for quantitative assessment of postural control during prone play in infancy: A Proof-of-Concept Study.*
- **\$10,000 Mentored Grant** to **Shaaron Brown, PT, DPT**, for *General Movement Optimality Score as a Biomarker in Early Detection of Neurodevelopmental Disability in Extremely Preterm Infants.*
- **\$2,500 Critical Synthesis Grant** to **Jessica A. Silveira, PT, DPT, PhD**, for *Effect of Rehabilitation Interventions that Embed Play on Motor, Cognitive, Language, and Behavioral Development in Young Children with or at Risk for Motor Delays.*

# CSM Lectureship

# CSM 2024

**Dianne Cherry**  
**Educators' Lectureship**

**Jennifer A. Furze, PT, DPT, FAPTA,  
Heather Marie Lundeen, PT, DPT, and  
Joseph M. Schreiber, PT, PhD,  
FAPTA**

**“Pediatric Education Summits – Striving Toward  
Excellence in Teaching and Learning”**

*Announcing...*

**CSM 2025**

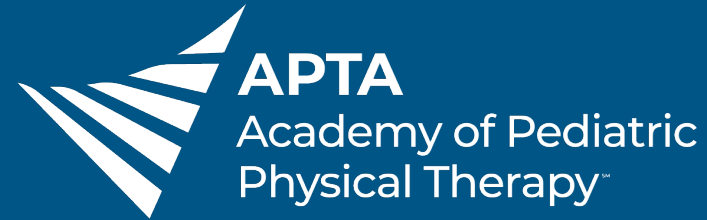
**Knowledge Translation  
Lectureship**

**Sandra L. Kaplan PT, DPT, PhD,  
FAPTA, and Colleen Coulter, PT, DPT,  
PhD, PCS**

**“Evidence Through the Prism of Knowledge Translation:  
Pathways to Competence and Quality Improvement”**

# Congratulations to all the APTA Pediatrics honorees!

APTA Pediatrics members are encouraged to submit nominations for APTA Pediatrics awards, scholarships, and grants. Most awards and scholarships are due on October 1 (the SNP AC Attendance Scholarship is due August 1). Research grants are due June 1. More information can be found at [www.pediatricapta.org](http://www.pediatricapta.org) under About Us > Awards, Scholarships, Grants.



# Other Honors This Year

# Foundation for Physical Therapy Research Grant Recipients

- **\$40,000 Academy Pediatric Physical Therapy's Pediatric Research Fund Grant to Guilherme Cesar, PT, PhD,** for *Impact on Balance Control after Intervention with Novel Stand-on Ride-on Power Mobility Devices for Children with Cerebral Palsy.*
- **\$40,000 Paris Patla Endowment Fund Grant to Kari Kretch, PT, PhD,** for *Development of supported overground walking in infants with Down Syndrome.*
- **\$40,000 McEwen School-based PT Research Fund Grant to Lisa Chiarello, PT, PhD,** for *Preschool and family partnership in action (PFP-IA): Engagement and collaboration to optimize adaptive behavior of children with motor disability.*

# APTA Pediatrics Members Honored by APTA

Presented at the Honors & Awards Ceremony at Leadership Congress

- **Jennifer Braswell Christy, PT, PhD, FAPTA:** Catherine Worthingham Fellow Award
- **Minal S. Jain, PT, DScPT, FAPTA, PCS:** Catherine Worthingham Fellow Award
- **Michele A. Lobo, PT, PhD, FAPTA:** Catherine Worthingham Fellow Award
- **Joyce Maring, PT, DPT, EdD:** Lucy Blair Service Award
- **Claudia R. Senesac, PT, PhD, PCS:** Humanitarian Award
- **Rosedaveia Howell, PT:** Minority Scholarship Award
- **Stacey C. Dusing, PT, PhD, FAPTA, PCS:** 28th John H.P. Maley Lectureship

# 2023 Board-Certified Pediatric Clinical Specialists

In 1981 the APTA House of Delegates approved board certification in the area of pediatrics. The first pediatric specialist certification examination was administered in 1986. Of the 37,752 certified specialists, 2,751 are pediatric specialists.

Congratulations to the following new Board-Certified Clinical Specialists in Pediatrics...

## 2023 Board-Certified Pediatric Clinical Specialists

Jessica Altman, PT, DPT  
Abigail Baeza, PT, DPT  
Taylor Barilla, PT, DPT  
Jessica Basha, PT, DPT  
Laura Basi, PT  
Monica Bell, PT, DPT  
Jessica Bender, PT  
Mary Kate Bennett, PT, DPT  
Danielle Blankenship, PT, DPT  
Kristen Blatt, PT, DPT  
Hailey Boyer, PT, DPT  
Alyssa Bradford, PT  
Kristi Brelsford, PT  
Lisa Bryant, PT, DPT  
Courtney Bucher, PT, DPT  
Elisabeth Bulliner, PT, DPT  
Rachel Burch, PT, DPT  
Hannah Burton, PT, DPT  
Amanda Butler, PT, DPT  
Thea Byrne, PT, DPT  
Margaret Caffrey-Neil, PT  
Adrianna Castilla, PT, DPT  
Caroline Chaloner, PT, DPT

Gabriel Chan, PT  
Joseph Chew, PT, MPT  
Mindy Chu, PT, DPT  
Katie Chung, PT, DPT  
Eva Ciccodicola, PT, DPT  
Alycia Clark, PT, DPT  
Michael Commesso, PT, DPT  
Emily Compagner, PT, DPT  
Kelly Conte, PT, DPT  
Alysha Croke, PT  
Giselle Cruz, PT, DPT  
Catherine Cunningham, PT, DPT  
Sarah Curiel, PT, DPT  
Laura Curran, PT  
Ashalee Cyr, PT, DPT  
Annie Dao, PT, DPT  
Samantha Davey, PT, DPT  
MaryEllen Davis, PT, DPT  
Michele DeGarmo, PT  
Nicollette DeLaine, PT, DPT  
Rachel Derian, PT, DPT  
Michelle Diamond, PT, MSPT  
Katherine Dingman, PT, DPT

Amanda Dojack, PT, DPT  
Rebecca Dugan, PT, DPT  
Kristen Duncan, PT, DPT  
Julia Dwyer, PT, DPT  
Kayla Evans, PT  
Elizabeth Farsi, PT, DPT  
Breanne Fletcher-Hardy, PT, DPT  
Aaron Focht, PT, DPT  
Julia Fogliano, PT, DPT  
Nicole Fox, PT, DPT  
Lisa Friedlander, PT  
Erika Frisbie, PT  
Nicole Galluzzo, PT, DPT  
Jacqueline Gardner Hoag, PT, DPT  
Samantha Garza, PT  
Jenna Georgacakis-Nurre, PT  
Kristin Girshin, PT, DPT  
Mariah Gonzalez, PT, DPT  
Javier Gonzalez, PT, DPT  
Angaleen Goodwin, PT, DPT  
Laura Graber, PT, DPT  
Garrett Graham, PT, DPT  
Patricia Gries, PT

## 2023 Board-Certified Pediatric Clinical Specialists (con't)

Brigid Griffin, PT, DPT  
Paige Gunter, PT, DPT  
Allison Haley, PT, DPT  
Mogeeboul Hamed, PT, DPT  
Jane Harpster, PT  
Kara Harvey, PT  
Joshua Heinly, PT, DPT  
Rita Hermann, PT, DPT  
Nancy Heuer, PT, DPT  
Heather Higashi, PT, DPT  
Brigitta Hohl, PT, DPT  
Hannah Horwath, PT  
Benjamin Hurston, PT, DPT  
Lauren Hutcheson, PT, DPT  
Holly Ingham, PT, DPT  
Megan Johnson, PT  
Aileen Jones, PT  
Erica Jones-Griffin, PT, DPT  
Nicolette Juncker, PT, DPT  
Marlyn Kato, PT, DPT  
Kristen Kelsen, PT, DPT  
Stephanie Kent, PT, DPT  
Julia King, PT  
Marlene King, PT, DPT

Jackilyn Kleckner, PT  
Amy Klinepeter, PT, DPT  
Anita Knight, PT, DPT  
Sarah Kojetin, PT, DPT  
Michele Kunde, PT, DPT  
Kayla Lee, PT  
Shawna Lee, PT, DPT  
Pamela Liang, PT  
Wendy Lirgameris, PT, MSPT  
Ray Lunasin, PT, DPT  
Cayla Maher, PT, DPT  
Emma Marino, PT, DPT  
Megan Marra, PT, DPT  
Rebecca Martel, PT, DPT  
Christina McCauley, PT, DPT  
Daniel McKee, PT, DPT  
Audrey Mensen, PT, DPT  
Megan Merrill, PT, DPT  
Shelley Mockler, PT, MPT, DSc  
Ryann Montano, PT, DPT  
Amy Moore, PT  
Caroline Moore, PT, DPT  
Sarah Morris, PT  
Shelby Moss, PT, DPT

Cassandra Movinsky, PT, DPT  
Shelbi Moxley, PT, DPT  
Sarah Mozzochi, PT, DPT  
Melanie Natalie, PT, DPT  
Hannah Nettleton, PT, DPT  
Erika Netzorg, PT, DPT  
Ariann Neutts, PT, DPT  
Kelly Ly Nguyen, PT, DPT  
Christine Nguyen, PT  
Lauren Niewiadomski, PT, DPT  
Julie OConnor, PT, DPT  
Miranda Orlowski, PT, DPT  
Robert Osborne, PT, DPT  
Jill Owen, PT, DPT  
Jessica Panzarino, PT, DPT  
Jessica Passarelli, PT, DPT  
Sarena Patel, PT  
Reetu Patel-Tiwari, PT  
Meghan Pefley, PT, DPT  
Rebecca Perez, PT  
Taylor Permenter, PT, DPT  
Jordan Peterson, PT, DPT  
Kathy Pharies, PT, DPT  
Sahar Pourtaheri, PT, DPT

## 2023 Board-Certified Pediatric Clinical Specialists (con't)

Tara Pratt, PT, DPT  
Mason Prickett, PT, DPT  
Jamie Proffitt, PT  
Zofia Protasiuk, PT, DPT  
Kelly Quigley, PT, DPT  
Erin Ransom, PT, DPT  
Sarah Reichel, PT, DPT  
Stephanie Reilly, PT, DPT  
Julie Reiner, PT, DPT  
Lauren Ribic, PT, DPT  
Emma Salyer, PT  
Megha Sanjiv, PT  
Kimberly Scarberry, PT, DPT  
Wendy Schnare, PT, DPT  
Anne Schneider, PT  
Sabrina Schoolnik, PT, DPT  
Maeli Schulte, PT  
Caitlin Segelke, PT, DPT  
Safiyeh Shalash, PT, DPT  
Jessica Sherman, PT, DPT  
Jessica Silveira, PT, DPT, PhD  
Eva Simons, PT, DPT  
Claudia Sipakati, PT, DPT  
Cynthia Slomowitz, PT

Shimeka Smith, PT  
Madeline Smith, PT, DPT  
Melissa Smith, PT, DPT  
Chelsea Snell, PT, DPT  
Lauren Snyder, PT  
Alexis Standfield, PT, DPT  
Melissa Staskal, PT  
Bari Stein, PT  
Tracy Stevens, PT, DPT  
Jaclyn Strah, PT, DPT  
Leah Swahlan, PT, DPT  
Emily Thomas, PT, DPT  
Sarah Tintle, PT, DPT  
Diana Trejo, PT  
Nichole Tremblay, PT  
Cathy Van Drew, PT  
Alyson Wagner, PT  
April Wall, PT, DPT  
Anna Waynick, PT, DPT  
Rachael Weitknecht, PT, DPT  
Rachel Welch, PT  
Amanda Whitmire, PT, DPT  
Julia Wiggins, PT, DPT  
Veronica Wildermuth, PT

Nichole Williams, PT  
Marina Wright, PT, DPT  
Allison Young, PT  
Caroline Young, PT, DPT  
Sharon Yurs, PT  
Emma Zheng, PT, DPT  
Chloe Zimmerer, PT, DPT

**Due to an ABPTS schedule change,  
there were only 3 Pediatric Clinical  
Specialist Recertifications in 2023.**

### **Congratulations to:**

Alisa Brewer, PT, DPT, DSc  
Heidi Friedman, PT  
Barbara Sargent, PT, PhD

# 2023 PTA Advanced Proficiency Pathway Recipients

APTA's PTA Advanced Proficiency Pathways is the premier program for increasing a PTA's knowledge and skill in a chosen area of physical therapy. Congratulations to the 2023 recipients in pediatrics:

Steven Campbell, PTA

Kayla Bowles, PTA

Lisa Warwick-Arndt, PTA

Jenna Skubisz, PTA

Alexandra Sullivan, PTA



## 2023 Emerging Leader Award for APTA Pediatrics

Each year, APTA components are invited to nominate a member who has made exceptional contributions to APTA, the component, and the profession early in their career.

## Emily Quinn, PT, DPT

Emily served as an APTA Pediatrics Centennial Scholar in 2021, has worked on engagement initiatives in Leadership Development, and has been integral in the APTA Pediatrics Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Committee since 2019. Emily and the other Emerging Leaders (including a number of other APTA Pediatrics members!) were recognized in the November 2023 issue of *PT Magazine*.

# Congratulations!

APTA Pediatrics members are encouraged to apply for Foundation for Physical Therapy Research grants, APTA Honors & Awards, Specialist Certification, and the PTA Advanced Proficiency Pathway. More information can be found at [www.foundation4pt.org/grants](http://www.foundation4pt.org/grants) or via the search box at [www.apta.org](http://www.apta.org).



# Recognition of Leadership

**Thank you for your work on behalf of  
APTA Pediatrics!**

***Please stand to be recognized.***



***APTA Pediatrics is  
only as good as our  
wonderful  
volunteers...***

**Thank you to our  
outgoing  
Committee Chairs**

- **Robbie O'Shea:** Nominating Committee Member/Chair
- **Susan Effgen:** Innovations in School-Based Course Co-Chair
- **Alyssa Fiss:** Practice Editorial Committee Chair
- **Madelynn Wendland:** Fact Sheet Committee Co-Chair
- **Laurie Ray:** Practice SIG Leadership Coordinator
- **Mica Mitchell:** Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee Chair
- **Sheree York:** CSM Co-Chair

# Thank you to our outgoing Special Interest Group Chairs

- **Lori Bartleson:** Adolescents & Adults with Diverse Abilities SIG Chair
- **Amy Barr:** School SIG Chair
- **Heather Lundeen:** Academic & Clinical Education SIG Chair

# **Thank you to our outgoing State Pediatric Advocacy Liaisons (SPALs)**

**Andy Albrecht: SPAL Arizona**

**Justine Lee Belschner: SPAL DC**

**Traci Schmidt: SPAL Idaho**

**Danielle Morris: SPAL Louisiana**

**Betsy Cyr: SPAL Maine**

**Jennifer Stephens: SPAL Montana**

**Suzanne Dougherty: SPAL Nebraska**

**Kat Joines: SPAL Nevada**

**Susan Rabinowicz: SPAL New York**

**Brittany Anderson: SPAL North Dakota**

**Rebecca Renfro: SPAL Oklahoma**

**Kristin Brown: SPAL Rhode Island**

**A huge thank you  
to our CSM  
Program  
Committee**

***Thank you for a  
great conference!***

**CHAIR:** Stacey Marguerite  
**CO-CHAIR:** Sheree York

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

Cathy Howes  
Yasser Salem  
Heather Shattuck  
Gay Girolami  
Chelsea Lasky McFarlin  
Anna Howard  
Amanda Hall  
Kimberly Klug

**APTA Pediatrics is lead by a dedicated group of volunteer leaders elected by YOU, the members, each fall...**

**Thank you to these  
outgoing members of  
the APTA Pediatrics  
Board of Directors!**

***Please stand to be  
recognized***

**Lynn M Jeffries, PT, DPT, PhD:** Vice  
President, 2018-2024

**Priscilla Weaver, PT, DPT, PhD:** Secretary,  
2021-2024

**Jennifer Furze, PT, DPT, FAPTA:** Director of  
Academic & Clinical Education, 2020-2024

**Jennifer Braswell Christy, PT, PhD,  
FAPTA:** Director of Research, 2020-2024

**Jan McElroy, PT, PhD:** Director of Practice,  
2020-2024

# **Welcome to these incoming members of the APTA Pediatrics Board of Directors – thier terms start now!**

***Please stand to be  
recognized***

- **Priscilla Weaver, PT, DPT, PhD:** Vice President
- **Robin Dole, PT, DPT, EdD:** Secretary
- **Heather Lundeen, PT, DPT, EdD:** Director of Academic & Clinical Education
- **Alyssa Fiss, PT, PhD:** Director of Research
- **Amy Barr, PT, DPT:** Interim Director of Practice



**Outgoing Executive Director  
Cindy Sliwa, CAE**

**Executive Director  
2001-2024**

**Things that didn't exist before 2001:**

Wifi

Smart phones

Social media

Google

Amazon Prime

Podcasts

Zoom

Airbnb

Uber

Electric cars

Flat screen TVs

Wikipedia

*Cindy as the Executive Director of APTA Pediatrics!*

**Congratulations on your retirement and thank  
you for being an integral part of APTA  
Pediatrics for almost half of it's 50-year  
history!**

# Congratulations and thank you to ALL!

The cash bar will be open until 9:30 – please stick around to meet, mingle, and congratulate the award, grant, and scholarship recipients and incoming and outgoing leadership.

*Thank you for being a member of APTA Pediatrics!!*



# Adjourned



**Time to celebrate and socialize**