Regional Representative to the Adolescents and Adults with Developmental Disabilities (AADD) Special Interest Group Board

Description:

The purpose of the AADD SIG Regional Representatives to the Academy of Pediatric PT (APPT) is to provide personal and local connection with the AADD SIG members as well as liaise between the members and the leadership of the AADD SIG. Regional Representatives are tasked with conveying timely, pertinent information with the ultimate goal of increasing the value of membership in the APPT and the AADD SIG and facilitating two-way communication between the AADD SIG members and its Board.

Regional Representatives are appointed by the AADD SIG Chair (or designee) and commit to one 3-year term. A term may be renewed if the Regional Representative has met the requirements/expectations of the held position and is willing to serve a second term. Individuals may only serve two consecutive terms. Time commitment is about 2-4 hours per month.

Responsibilities:

1. Build relationships with pediatric physical therapists who serve adolescents and adults with developmental disabilities. Encourage them to be involved in the APPT and the AADD SIG by sharing volunteer opportunities to engage in initiatives and on-going work in the AADD SIG as well as the APPT.

2. Establish communication and networking regionally and be the point of contact for your region for the AADD SIG. Participate in state and region pediatric conferences to promote communication and networking for your region.

3. Promote best practice and health and wellness throughout the lifespan.

4. Participate in the AADD SIG Board meetings (via phone conferences, online meetings, and meetings at CSM and/or APPTAC) to gain information to be shared with the membership and discuss regional issues that would benefit the APPT special interest groups, the APPT, and its membership as a whole.

5. Provide written input to the AADD SIG Chair from your region in July and December to assist with reports due for the Strategic Planning Meeting and Combined Sections Meeting annually. This input should summarize gathered information and provide insight on regional perspectives.