TPAC FIELD REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

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Therapist Professional Advisory Committee



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FUTURE TPAC MEETINGS:

The next TPAC Meeting will be on Tuesday, 29 MAY 01 from 1700 – 1830 hours, EDT. This will be held at the 2001 COA Professional Meeting in Washington, DC.

Date:April 26,2001To:CDR Jeff Fultz, Chairperson, Therapist Professional Advisory CommitteeSubject:TPAC Field Report- HRSAFrom:CDR Alicia Hoard, HRSA Field Representative

I. Positions Open: None

II. Congratulations:

CDR Lou Iannuzzi for the Outstanding Service Award he received for his work with HD and Diabetic patients.

III. News From the Field:

CDR Lou Iannuzzi is presently teaching "Management and Treatment of the Insensistive Limb" to The Physical Therapy Department at Bellevue Hospital while awaiting a transefer from New York to the National Hansen's Disease Program in Baton Rouge, LA in August 2001.

LCDR John Figarola was the Louisiana delegate to the Representative Assembly at the AOTA Conference at the Marriot Hotel in Philadelphia, PA on April 17-20, 2001.

LCDR John Figarola presented "2001 Representative Assembly" to LOTA Members in Alexandria, LA on April 11, 2001

The Physical Therapy Department of the NHDP hosted visitor, Titilola Manning-Atwell, a Chiropodist from Toronto, Canada for 2 days of hands on training witht the neuropathic foot following her participation in the Foot Seminar, on April 9-10, 2001.

The Physical Therapy Department of the NHDP hosted "The Carville Approach to Management of Neuropathic Foot Prblems and Casting Lab, on April 4-6, 2001

LCDR Denise Brasseaux attended "Lymphedema Management of the Upper And Lower Extremity" in Houston, TX on March 23-25, 2001.

CAPT Judy Bell-Krotoski and CDR Alicia Hoard attended the Surgery and Rehabilitation of the Hand Symposium and Workshops at the Wyndham Franklin Plaza Hotel, Philadelphia, PA March 10-13, 2001

The Physical Therapy Department hosted visitor Ann Credido from Guayaquil, Ecuador for a half day to learn about the insensitive foot in leprosy, on March 2, 2001.

IV. Welcome/ Farewell: none

V. Presentations:

LCDR Denise Brasseaux presented "Care and Prevention of Injury to the Insensitive Foot" to the PTA students at Delgado College, New Orleans, LA on April 17, 2001

LCDR John Figarola presented "Wound Healing" to the Occupational Therapy students at Louisiana State University Medical Center, New Orleans, LA on April 16, 2001

CAPT Judy-Bell Krotoski presented "Sensibility and Sensory Reeducation" At the Surgery and Rehabilitation of the Hand Symposium and Workshops at the Wyndham Franklin Plaza Hotel, Philadelphia, PA March 12, 2001

VI. Publications: none

VII. Current Research:

VIII. Future Agenda Items to Consider: none

Health Care Financing Administration

To: TPAC **From:** LCDR Cindy Melanson, HCFA Field Representative

I. **Position Opening/Anticipated Openings:** Check the web at HCFA.gov and look under employment opportunities

II. News from the Field:

CAPT Georgia Johnson and LCDR Cindy Melanson served as science fair judges at P.G. Community College Science and Technology Fair on March 31, 2001.

Memorandum

- To: LT Ron West, Executive Secretary TPAC
- From: LCDR Sue Newman

Date: April 23, 2001

Subject: BOP West Field Report (February-April 2001)

- -FMC Carswell
- -FMC Fort Worth
- -FMC Rochester
- I. Congratulations: -LTJG Alicia Souvignier (Rochester) and her Husband are the proud parents of a baby girl!
- II. Positions Open/Anticipated Openings: None
- III. News from the Field:

-LT Corey Dahl (Rochester) has been elected to serve as the President of the North Central Branch COA.

-LTJG Alicia Souvignier (Rochester) has been elected to serve as the Vice President/Treasurer for the local COA branch.

-LTJG Damien Avery (Carswell) attended the Advanced Spine Course in San Antonio, TX.

-In celebration of USPHS week, FMC Fort Worth Officers held a Health Fair for BOP staff. LTJG John Dewey and LCDR Sue Newman had employees perform the 3 minutes step-up fitness test and LCDR Julia Woodard assisted with blood pressure screens.

IV. Welcome/Farewell to:

-ENS Stephanie Maxfield (USPHS) a student physical therapist at the U.S. Army/Baylor Program started her clinical at FMC Carswell. LCDR Jean Marzen is her Clinical Instructor.

- V. Presentation: -LCDR Eric Payne (Rochester) presented "Carpal Tunnel Syndrome in the
 - Workplace" to the correctional and medical staff at FMC Rochester in April.
- VI. Publication: None
- VII. Current Research: None
- VIII. Future Agenda Items: None
- IX. Changes to e-mail and mailing roster: None

National Institutes of Health Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy Report

Date:	April 20, 2001
From:	CAPT Frances Oakley
Subject:	NIH Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy Report
To:	CDR Jeff Fultz, Chair, Therapist Professional Advisory Committee

Congratulations to:

- 1. Earllaine Croarkin (PT) who became certified as a neurology specialist from the APTA.
- 2. Susan Robertson (OT) who received an "On the Spot Award" for her support of ordering equipment and supplies for the Occupational Therapy Section.

Positions Open/ Anticipated Openings: N/A

News from the Field:

- 1) Michael Harris-Love (PT) completed a Clinical Research training Course sponsored by the National Institutes of Health.
- 2) CDR Michael Smith (PT) met with an Ethiopian Rehabilitation administrator to discuss the feasibility of training resources for local personnel to obtain training in physical therapy.
- CDR Michelle Smith also mentored a local senior high school student and started a mentoring agreement with Eastern High School through the NIH (HRSA) Academy Program.
- The OT Section will be hosting the 6th International AMPS Symposium at the NIH September 18 & 19, 2001. Planning is underway by CAPT Fran Oakley (OT) who is the NIH on-site coordinator.
- 5) CAPT Rebecca Parks (OT) continues her active involvement as a member of the COA Executive Committee, and in the DC COA Branch.

Welcome/Farewell to:

1) Susan Eckloff (OT) who worked with us for 6 years.

Presentations:

- Michael Harris-Love, (PT), "Correlation and reliability of anaerobic fatigue indices in healthy adults performing maximal isometric elbow flexion." APTA Combined Sections Meeting, San Antonio, TX
- Elizabeth Augustine (PT), was a speaker at the APTA Combined Sections Meeting in San Antonio, TX. She also lectured to the National Cancer Institute's Cancer nurse interns on lymphedemia management.

3) Holly Cintas, (PT) "A team approach: caring for infants and children with osteogenesis imperfecta" Webcast. International presentation for the Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation, Gaithersburg, MD.

Publications:

- Siegel KL, Kepple TK, Stanhope SJ. Strategies available for control of knee extension during walking. 6th Annual Meeting of the Gait & Clinical Movement Analysis Society. Sacramento, CA.
- 2) Croarkin E. Osteopenia: Implications for therapists managing patients of all ages. *PT Magazine*. A continuing education article.
- Harris-Love M, Gorman PH, Danoff J. Correlations and reliability of anaerobic fatigue indices in healthy adults performing maximal isometric elbow flexion. *Journal of Orthopedic & Sports Physical Therapy*. 31(1): A24-A25.
- 4) Harris-Love M. Exercise for myositis patients: An approach for varied strength and flexibility levels. The Outlook for the Inflammatory Myopathies. Myositis Association of America.
- 5) Shrader J, Siegel K, Gerber L. Inflammatory Arthritis: Management of foot and ankle problems. In *Contemporary Topics on the Foot and Ankle*. Home Study Course 10.3.6.

Current Research:

- CAPT Fran Oakley (OT) is an Associate Investigator in an NIMH protocol Pilot Study of Immunomodulatory versus Anti-inflammatory Therapy in Alzheimer's Disease.
- Joanne Flanagan, CAPT Bonnie Thornton, and Mary Zadnik (OT) are collaborating with researchers from the NINDS in a study to examine the difference between inhibitory casting and muscle reeducation in hand dystonia.

Future Agenda Items for TPAC to Consider: None at this time.

 TO: Chairperson, Therapist Professional Advisory Committee
FROM: LT Michelle Peterman
DATE: 23 Apr 2001
SUBJECT: TPAC Quarterly Agency Activity Report DC Commission on Mental Health Services (CMHS)

I. Congratulations:

None

II. Positions Open:

We are currently seeking one Occupational Therapist. If interested please contact CDR Coleman at (202) 645-7106 code #38337.

III. News from the Field:

LCDR Mark Melanson's program "Stamps for a Living" was featured in a German newspaper.

LCDR Mark Melanson's brought 12 new client slots into the "Stamps for a Living" program on the civil side and provided training.

LT Michelle Peterman and LTJG Teshara Bouie initiated a new program for inpatient clients throughout CMHS. The program is called "Work Lab" and will focus on training clients in computer use including basic tying and internet use, job interview skills, application process, appropriate dress while on job, and resume writing. The intention is to train clients to ensure a successful integration back into the community.

IV. Welcome and Farewell:

None

V. Presentations:

LTJG Teshara Bouie educated youth during Career Day on "What is O.T.?"

LTJG Steven Spaulding spoke to the Howard University Occupational Therapy department on "Introduction to Occupational Therapy".

VI.

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Chinle Comprehensive Health Care Facility

• No response

Fort Defiance Indian Hospital

• No response

Phoenix Indian Medical Center

- LT Joe Rasor had his 3rd child Girl Sally on 4-5-01, 6# 4oz.
- The Employee Wellness Program at PIMC has been officially recognized by the Service Unit Director. Thanks to LCDR Liza Figueroa, committee chair EWC.

Hopi Health Care

• The personnel office states they have selected a PT for their new department, but announcement is pending.

Hu Hu Kam Indian Hospital

- Into their new department, had the Blessing Ceremony and the Grand Opening.
- Sells USPHS Indian Hospital
 - Reports nothing to report for this meeting.
- Tuba City Indian Medical Center
 - No response
- Whiteriver Indian Hospital
 - No response

Winslow PHS Health Center

• No response

Date:23 April, 2001Reply To:LCDR Matt Taylor PT

Subject:TPAC News From The Field (BOP East)To:LCDR Ron West, Executive Secretary, TPAC

1. Accomplishments

All BOP Therapists were awarded the PHS Outstanding Unit Commendation for their collective work on the BOP Medical Adaptive Equipment / Rehabilitation Program Statement. This instruction serves as a Bureau of Prisons – wide guideline for the proper issuance and tracking of medical adaptive equipment for a population of over 140,000 inmates.

2. Position Openings

None

3. Activities

CDR Miller of FMC Devens attended a workshop on Cognitive Dysfunction Associated with Alzheimers Disease, CVA, and Traumatic Brain Injury.

All BOP Therapists are preparing for the Bureau of Prisons Therapist Meeting in Fort Worth, TX this summer. Various staff are working on a wide variety of presentations to be given during the one week meeting which will be hosted by FMC Carswell.

4. Presentations

None Reported

5. E-Mail and Mailing Address Changes None.