

**FIELD REPRESENTATIVE COORDINATOR REPORT, LCDR Jodi A. Tanzillo,
Coordinator**

I. Positions Open/Anticipated Openings:

- **IHS AZ**

Chinle:

One Audiologist and one SLP

Contact *LCDR Andra Battocchio, PT*

928-674-7225

One Staff Physical Therapist and one Assistant

Contact *LT Matt Armentano, PT*

928-674-7553

- **IHS AZ**

Tuba:

3 PT, Clinical Specialists and Staff PT's

Contact *LCDR James Cowher*

928-283-2659

- **IHS NM**

Shiprock:

One Occupational Therapist

Contact *LCDR Joeseeph Strunce, DSc, PT*

505-368-7118

- **IHS Multi-Site**

Hastings Indian Medical Center:

One PTA position

Contact *LCDR Cindy Carter, PT*

918-458-3260

Choctaw Nation Health Center- Summer Opening

1 PT position located in Idabel, OK

1 PT position located in McAlester, OK

Contact *Suzan Abeyta*

918-567-7046

- **BOP EAST**

FMC Butner, NC

4 openings for PT staff

Contact *LCDR Jon Schultz*

919-575-3900 x5390

II. **Congratulations:**

- **IHS AZ**

Hopi:

Congratulations to Lani Talawyma and Felicia Sekaquaptewa completed the 2007 PF Chang ½ marathon.

Congratulations to CDR Kathleen O'Neill-Manrique who completed the full marathon on Sunday 1/14/07 in the frigid below normal Phoenix weather!!!

Sights are set on:

- Tour de Phoenix- Bicycle race 3/31/07
- Prescott Whiskey Row ½ Marathon 5/5/07

Phoenix:

Congratulations to CDR Liza Figueroa who passed her certification exam and has become a Certified Pain Practitioner and Diplomate of the American Academy of Pain Management. She also became Board Certified as Senior Disability Analyst and Diplomate of the American Board of Disability Analysts.

LCDR Terry Boles, PT, who received the PHS Outstanding Unit Citation in recognition of exemplary contributions to protect the public health of the citizens of Louisiana during Hurricane's Katrina and Rita. LCDR Boles was deployed to stand up the SERT, and served as the Louisiana ESF 8 Logistics Chief for the month of September 2005.

Chinle:

Congratulations to LCDR Jodi Tanzillo who has been assimilated to the Regular Corps of the USPHS and for receiving the USPHS Achievement Award for her sustained quality of patient management and contributions in direct patient care as the Northern Navajo Medical Center/Chinle Service Unit Specialty Hand Clinic Liaison from August 2003 to June 2006.

Congratulations to LT Paul Stout, MPT, ATC for coming on active duty to the Reserve Corps December 2006.

- **IHS NM**

Shiprock:

Congratulations to LCDR Lorrie Murdoch who has been assimilated to the Regular Corps of the USPHS.

- **CMHS**

Congratulations to LCDR Maria Bacilio on the birth of her son.

- **Multi-Agency**

Congratulations to: LCDR Laura M. Grogan, OTR/L who accepted a recent proposal from Victor C. Ruggiero. Victor proposed to Laura during a Helli boarding trip in Canada over President's weekend. OS/OPHS- Region VIII Denver, CO

III. News From the Field:

- **IHS AZ**

Hopi

CDR Kathleen O'Neill-Manrique has resumed her MPH studies at UMass-Amherst, anticipated completion date- Spring 2008.

Sells

LCDR Andrea Woolridge will be starting the DPT Transitional online program with AT Still University on March 5th.

Tuba

Student Program restarted, currently have 2 students from the University of Rhode Island.

PT is presenting a proposal to the Medical Executive Committee on starting Podiatry services.

Recent Training:

LCDR James Cowher - APTA Clinical Instructor, AACVPR Annual Conference

LTJG Heidi Fisher - Col Doug Kersey Neuromusculoskeletal Evaluation Course

- **IHS NM**

Gallup

Two PT staff members assisted in implementing the Electronic Health Record (EHR) system 1/23/07.

The GIMC Wellness Center has a full-time Health Technician, Edith, and CAPT Dominick Aretino, OT staffs the Center 80% of the time.

- **IHS Multi-site**

LT Toni Donahoo is expected to graduate soon from the Arizona School of Health Sciences in March with her DPT.

- **CMHS**

LCDR Maria Bacilio and LCDR J. Michelle Peterman received a Certificate of Achievement for completion of All Hazards Disaster Mental Health Training.

IV. **Welcome/ Farewell:**

- **IHS AZ**

Chinle

Welcome to LCDR Jodi A. Tanzillo, OTR/L who has transferred from Northern Navajo Medical Center, Shiprock, NM as of February 4th.

- **IHS NM**

Shiprock

Welcome to Scott Schmidt, PT who will be transferring to Northern Navajo Medical Center from the US Army with an anticipated start in March.

- **IHS Multi-site**

Farewell to LTJG Carlos Estevez who has transferred to the BOP in Fort Worth, TX.

- **BOP EAST**

FMC Butner, NC

FMC Butner says a final farewell to their deputy chief LCDR Damien Avery. He has orders to ship out by the end of February. His accomplishments at Butner include spearheading the initial development and management of the FCI II rehabilitation department in 2006. Damien will be dearly missed as he makes his transition out west in route to FCC Tucson. We want to thank Damien for his numerous contributions to our team here at Butner.

FMC Devens, MA

FMC Devens welcomes LT Kit Burnham to their staff. LT Burnham made a transition from active duty with the US Army to the USPHS.

FCC Tucson, AZ

FCC Tucson is the first “non-medical center” care-level three facility to welcome a PT to its staff. Please congratulate LCDR Avery as he assumes the Chief position there at FCC Tucson!

V. **Presentations:**

- **IHS AZ**

Hopi:

CDR Kathleen O’Neill-Manrique will be presenting 6/6/07 at the USPHS Scientific and Training Symposium “Complex Wound Care Management on

the Hopi Reservation: Multidisciplinary Approach, Technological Challenges.”