

Date: August 19, 2003
To: CDR Nancy Balash, Chair, TPAC
LCDR Mark Melanson, Field Rep Coordinator, TPAC
LCDR Rita Shapiro, Executive Secretary, TPAC

Subject: TPAC Field Report- Arizona
From: LCDR Liza M Figueroa, Arizona Field Rep

I. Positions Open: None

II. Congratulations:

III. News From the Field:

a) **Winslow:** PT Dept has submitted a grant proposal for a Wellness Center and DM research project totaling over \$3 M.

IV. Welcome/Farewell: None

V. Presentations: None

VI. Publications: None

VII. Current Research: None

VIII. Training:

- a) **Parker : LT Golding**, attended the CCRF Basics in San Diego Aug 4-8.
- b) **Phoenix: LCDR's Figueroa and West**, were accepted in the t-DPT Program at the Arizona School of Health Sciences
- c) **Tuba City: LT Sue Newman**, was accepted in the t-DPT Program at the Arizona School of Health Sciences
- d) **Winslow: LCDR Mike LaPlante**, passed the ECS Specialty Boards

IX. Future Agenda Items to Consider: None

ACL Hospital Service Unit:

- I. **Congratulations:** N/A
- II. **Positions Open:** Pending Chief Position. SF-52 submitted pending posting by Area.
- III. **News From the Field:** Tarri departed ACL Clinic after 6.5 years of service. We really miss her and wish her all the best with her new position at Whiteriver Service Unit!! Jeff and Cindy continue to stay very busy in the clinic with patient care and with the DM strategic team and Sweet Talk Dinners, Ergonomics and Employee Wellness. The Fall Sports season is kicking off and Jeff is getting busy assisting at the games and practices. Jeff just completed 11 months as the Chief of Staff at ACL. He has stepped down to keep things running with the clinic. We are working with hospital administration to expand our clinic size and provider services.
- IV. **Farewells:** LCDR Tarri Randall.
- V. **Presentations:** N/A
- VI. **Publications:** N/A
- VII. **Current Research:** N/A
Future Agenda Items For TPAC to consider: N/A

- IX. Changes to email and mailing roster: N/A

GIMC Service Unit:

- I. **Congratulations:** The Rehab Clinic was recognized by the Navajo Area for a Director's Award for Outstanding Services!
- II. **Positions Open:** N/A
- III. **News From the Field:** N/A
- IV. **Farewells:** N/A
- V. **Presentations:** See VIII below
- VI. **Publications:** N/A
- VII. **Current Research:** N/A
- VIII. **Future Agenda Items For TPAC to consider:** CDR Duganne would like to brief the TPAC on a summary of I.H.S classifications for therapists by OPM.
- IX. **Changes to email and mailing roster:** N/A

Crownpoint:

- I. Congratulations:** Laurie Platero just completed 15 years with Crownpoint S.U.
- II. Positions Open:** Chief PT Posted/Advertised
- III. News From the Field:** LT. Matt Daab Physical Therapist is coordinating the Crown Point pediatric program. The PT Dept is coordinating with the diabetes program for the possible new acquisition of a Wellness Center
- IV. Farewells:**
- V. Presentations:** N/A
- VI. Publications:** N/A
- VII. Current Research:** N/A
- VIII. Future Agenda Items For TPAC to consider:**
- IX. Changes to email and mailing roster:** N/A

Santa Fe Service Unit: No report Available

- I. Congratulations:**
- II. Positions Open:**
- III. News From the Field:**
- IV. Farewells:**
- V. Presentations:**
- VI. Publications:**
- VII. Current Research:**
- VIII. Future Agenda Items For TPAC to consider:**
- IX. Changes to email and mailing roster:**

Shiprock Service Unit:

- I. Congratulations:** LT. Lorrie Murdoch received the PHS Commendation Medal.
- II. Positions Open:** N/A
- III. News From the Field:** LCDR Jake Magel, DPT/OCS and LT Joe Struntz PT, DSC/OCS continued with presenting the professional education series at the July 2003 Ortho Special Interest Group Meeting on Evidence Based Practice.
- IV. Farewells:** N/A
- V. Presentations:** Please See News from the Field Section Above. Note the next Navajo Area Ortho Special Interest Group Meeting is scheduled for 30 June 2003.
- VI. Publications:** N/A
- VII. Current Research:** N/A
- VIII. Future Agenda Items For TPAC to consider:** N/A
- IX. Changes to email and mailing roster:** N/A

Zuni Service Unit:

- I. Congratulations:** LT. Megan Horeis just gave birth to her son “Kie”
- II. Positions Open:** N/A
- III. News From the Field:** LT. Stephen White is getting ready for his High School Fall Sports Program for sport injury prevention and provider care.
- IV. Farewells:** N/A
- V. Presentations:** N/A
- VI. Publications:** N/A
- VII. Current Research:** N/A
- VIII. Future Agenda Items For TPAC to consider:** N/A
- IX. Changes to email and mailing roster:** N/A

TPAC FIELD REPORT- NORTHWEST AREA THERAPISTS

To: Cindy Melanson, Field Representative Coordinator and Bart Drinkard, Executive Secretary, TPAC.

From: Tina Bauer, Northwest Field Representative

Date: 8/22/2003

Congratulations: LCDR Kajiwara-Nelson had a baby girl on 5/26/2003.

Positions Open: Tina Bauer, Chief PT at Lame Deer, will finish field rep. responsibilities this month. It was a good learning experience. Thank you.

News from the Field: Robert Roe reports a growing patient load at St. Ignatious.

Welcome/Farewell to: Kate Case, PT will be starting at the Northern Cheyenne Service Unit and Russ Case, PT will be starting at the Crow Service Unit in Sept. Yes, they are married! We are thrilled to welcome them.

Presentations:

Current Research:

Future Agenda Items for TPAC to consider:

Changes to email, address and phone roster:

Date: 19 August, 2003
Reply To: LCDR Matt Taylor PT, CWS, OCS

Subject: TPAC News From The Field (BOP East)
To: TPAC Field Report Coordinator

1. Accomplishments

A belated congratulations goes out to all of the recently promoted officers:

CDR (sel) Matt Taylor FMC Devens
LCDR Henry MacPherson, FMC Butner

Congrats also goes out to CDR Jesse Lief for passing the OCS boards and CDR Scott Gaustad for passing the GCS boards!

CDR Matt Taylor and LT Jim Cowher (FMC Devens) both recently attended DHHS Region One Emergency Operations Team (REOT) training, qualifying both to help staff the Region One Emergency Operations Center near Boston in the event of a major regional emergency or occurrence.

2. Position Openings

MCFP Springfield – 1 Physical Therapist
FMC Butner- 1 Physical Therapist

3. Activities

FMC Butner is slated to get a COSTEP “pay back” Physical Therapist in the next few months and FMC Lexington will be getting one of the new Graduates from Baylor University’s first DPT class which started recently and will graduate in 27 months.

FMC Devens has just finished hosting a PT student from The University of Massachussets and CDR Gaustad from MCFP Springfield has been very active as a guest lecturer at Southwest Missouri State University School of Physical Therapy, lecturing on both manual therapy and career opportunities within DHHS / PHS.

4. Hail and Farewell

Farewell to LT Jenny Elton (MCFP Springfield) as she departs PHS for greener pastures closer to home.

CDR (sel) Matt Taylor (FMC Devens) is finishing out his three year run as TPAC BOP East Field Rep. and will be replaced at the next TPAC meeting by LCDR Fred Lief of FMC Lexington.