



Mission Statement

Prepare physical therapists to provide evidence-based, specialized care in the area of neurologic rehabilitation in an outpatient setting.

The residency addresses the APTA's Vision 2020 by preparing autonomous practitioners that have the advanced clinical skills and knowledge to collaborate effectively with the entire health care team to achieve the best possible outcomes for patients.

Goals

1. The program will uphold the mission of LSUHSC by providing an increased number of clinicians with an advanced level of clinical training and education in the area of neurologic physical therapy.
2. The program will prepare the resident for successful completion of the ABPTS neurologic specialty examination.
3. The program will value and emulate independent self-determined professional judgment within our scope of practice consistent with the profession's codes and standards and the patient/client's best interest.
4. The program will prepare the resident to use evidence and outcome measures to promote expert practice, efficacy, and cost effectiveness of physical therapy interventions.
5. The program will prepare the resident with enhanced knowledge and skills to direct and manage resources.
6. The program will advance the residents' proficiency in the application of collaborative team-based care, consistent with patient-centered care.

Objectives

1. The program will provide the opportunity for the resident to become an APTA credentialed CI. (Goal 1, 5)
2. The program will provide a focused curriculum based on the DSP for Neurology (Goals 1, 2, 4)
3. The program will provide opportunities for the resident to teach in the didactic portion of a professional DPT program. (Goals 1, 4)
4. The program will incorporate clinical supervision and teaching of entry-level PT students. (Goals 1, 5)
5. The program will prepare the resident in resource management for effective service delivery. (Goals 3, 4, 6)
6. The program curriculum will include collaborative team-based care with an emphasis on consultative roles and leadership. (Goals 3, 6)
7. Program faculty will emphasize practice according to current state laws and payment policies, with enhanced efficiencies of practice. (Goal 3, 6)

8. The program will prepare the resident to participate in advocacy and seminar presentations. (Goals 1, 2, 4)
9. The program will prepare the resident to excel in evidence-based neurologic patient care in outpatient and acute settings (Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
10. The program will be individualized to each resident based on their entry skills and their self-assessment through use of the APTA self assessment tool for neurologic physical therapy practice. (Goal 3)