



Topics in Pediatric Physical Therapy

This is a hybrid event with asynchronous content required to be completed prior to the day of the event.

Live Session:
Saturday, December 6, 2025

VIRTUAL

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Course Overview

This virtual course will include 13.5 hours of content for the participant to review on their own, a post modules assessment, and then a 1 day in person event focused on case study discussion. Topics were selected to support the Description of Specialty Practice for Pediatric Physical Therapy and include:

- Gross Motor and Gait Development
- Orthopaedics
- Sports Medicine
- Oncology
- Wounds and Burns
- Early Intervention and School Setting
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Cerebral Palsy
- Spinal Cord Injury
- Spina Bifida
- Muscular Dystrophy
- Spinal Muscle Atrophy
- Congenital Heart Defects
- Cystic Fibrosis
- Neonatology
- Assistive Technology and Adaptive Seating

General Information

The conference will be a hybrid event. Asynchronous content and the post modules assessment must be completed by December 5, 2025. The synchronous session will occur VIRTUALLY on Saturday, December 6th, 2025. This course is appropriate for PTs and PTAs.

Registration Fee

Before Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2025.....\$425
On/After Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2025.....\$500

Course Objectives

Upon completion of both asynchronous and synchronous session, learners will be able to:

- Discuss diagnostic criteria, clinical features, and risk factors for common pediatric diagnoses
- Identify PT impairments utilizing ICF model for common pediatric diagnoses.
- Choose relevant outcome measures to use when assessing pediatric patients.
- Design evidence-based treatment approaches that target identified outcome measures and impairments

Physical Therapy Accreditation

This course has been submitted for 20 PT CEUs (13.5 Virtual plus 6.5 Synchronous CEUs) through both Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

Cancellation and Refund Policy

Children's Hospital of Philadelphia reserves the right to cancel or postpone any course due to any unforeseen circumstances. In the event of cancellation or postponement, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia will refund any registration fees, less a service charge, but is not responsible for any related costs, charges or expenses to participants, including cancellation charges assessed by airlines/travel agencies. In order to process refunds for course withdrawals, **cancellations must be received in writing by November 3rd, 2025**. No refunds will be issued thereafter. Refunds will be issued for the amount of registration minus a \$50 service charge.

Services for People With Disabilities

Participation by all individuals is encouraged. If arrangements are required for an individual with special needs to attend this meeting, please contact the Kristen Medici (medicik@chop.edu) at least two weeks in advance so that we may provide better service to you during the conference.



SYNCHRONOUS PROGRAM

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CHOP HUB for Clinical Collaboration

Saturday, December 6, 2025

- 7:45 a.m.** **Welcome and Overview of the Day**
Stacey DiBiaso Caviston PT, DPT, PCS
- 8:00 a.m.** **Neonatal Intensive Care**
Diane Versaw-Barnes PT, DPT, PCS and Audrey Wood PT, MS, DPT, PCS
- 8:30 a.m.** **Gross Motor and Gait Development**
Michelle Culleton PT, DPT, PCS
- 9:00 a.m.** **Early Intervention and School Setting**
Leigh Scranton PT, DPT and Leah Spergel-Cohen PT, MPT, PCS
- 9:30 a.m.** **Break**
- 9:45 a.m.** **Cardiopulmonary**
Jaime Eilbacher PT, DPT, PCS and Rebecca Hoffritz PT, DPT
- 10:15 a.m.** **Orthopaedics**
Mallory Gardner PT, DPT and Domenica Platenecky PT, DPT, PCS
- 10:45 a.m.** **Sports Medicine**
Ken Knecht PT, MS, SCS
- 11:15 a.m.** **Torticollis**
Heather Aker PT, DPT, PCS
- 11:45 a.m.** **Lunch**
- 12:30 p.m.** **Acquired and Traumatic Brain Injury**
Sarah Jones PT, DPT, PCS and Stephanie Franczak PT, DPT, NCS, CBIS
- 1:00 p.m.** **Cerebral Palsy**
Stephanie O'Leary PT, DPT, PCS and Morgan Alcott PT, DPT, PCS
- 1:30 p.m.** **Spinal Cord Injury and Spina Bifida**
Alyssa Thiede PT, DPT, NCS; Rachel McClelland PT, DPT, NCS; Kristen Lincul PT, DPT, PCS
- 2:00 p.m.** **Muscular Dystrophies and Spinal Muscle Atrophy**
Mallory Gardner PT, DPT
- 2:30 p.m.** **Break**
- 2:45 p.m.** **Oncology**
Stacey DiBiaso Caviston PT, DPT, PCS
- 3:15 p.m.** **Wounds and Burns**
Colleen Macner Allen PT, DPT, CLT
- 3:45 p.m.** **Wrap-up & Adjourn**
Stacey DiBiaso Caviston PT, DPT, PCS

Unless otherwise noted, faculty is from Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Academic affiliation is with the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania.

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