

Erdman Curriculum-Vitae

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Institute for Physical Therapy Education, Widener University

Education:

Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions, Provo, Utah 2005-2006
Clinical Doctorate in Physical Therapy

Quinnipiac University, Hamden, Connecticut 1980 - 1984
Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy

Drexel/Hahnemann University, Philadelphia, PA 2000
Certificate in Early Intervention

Licensure Information/Registration Number:

Pennsylvania PT - 001381-E 1985-present

New Jersey PT - transfer 1984 – 1986

New York PT - licensure 1984 - 1986

Certifications:

APTA Advanced Credentialed Clinical Instructor 2018-present

HPCS Clinical Specialist in Hippotherapy 2008-present

Employment and Positions Held:

Widener University, Chester, PA 2012-present
Assistant Clinical Professor of Physical Therapy and
Director of Clinical Education

Genesis Rehabilitation Services, West Chester, PA
Per Diem Physical Therapist 2012-2016
Senior Physical Therapist 2011-2012
Staff Physical Therapist 2010-2011

Quest Therapeutic Services, Inc, West Chester, PA
Per Diem Physical Therapist 2010-present
Research and Development Coordinator 2008-2010
Staff Physical Therapist 2005-2007

Austill's Rehabilitation Services, Inc. Exton, PA
Independent Contractor 2008-present
Pediatric/Adult Coordinator 1997-2008
Independent Contractor 1992-1997

Bryn Mawr Rehabilitation Hospital, Malvern, PA
Staff Physical Therapist

1985-1992

John F. Kennedy Medical Center, Edison, NJ
Staff Physical Therapist

1984-1985

Peer Reviewed Publications:

Poretta D, Black JD, Palombaro K, **Erdman E**. Influence that service in a pro bono clinic has on a first full-time physical therapy clinical education experience. *Internet Journal of Allied Health Sciences and Practice*. 2017;15(1): Article 11.

Erdman E, Pierce S. The use of hippotherapy with a teenage boy s/p traumatic brain injury, a case study. *Pediatric Physical Therapy*. 2016;28:109-116.

BOOK CHAPTER:

Willgens A, **Erdman E**. Using hippotherapy strategies for children and youth with cerebral palsy. In: Miller et al, 2nd ed. *Cerebral Palsy*. Philadelphia, PA: Published online Springerlink, Oct. 2018, doi:10.1007/978-3-319-50592-3_163-1.

Peer Reviewed Scientific and Professional Presentations:

Trivinia, B, Black, J, Paterson, M, Campbell, S, **Erdman, E**, *Capitalizing on "Readiness to Learn": Connecting Student Pro Bono Clinic Experiences to Curriculum*. Poster Session. American Occupational Therapy Association Conference, April 4-7, 2019, New Orleans, LA.

Lefebvre K, Wellmon R, Francis, Mary, **Erdman, E**, *Can An Interdisciplinary Mobility Simulation Meet the Objectives of the Interprofessional Education Collaborative (IPEC)?: A Qualitative Study*. American Physical Therapy Association 2019 Combined Sections Meeting, Education Section, January 23-26, 2019, Washington, DC.

Dole R, **Erdman E**, *Incorporating Hippotherapy in Pediatric Physical Therapy Practice*. Pennsylvania Physical Therapy Association conference, October 19-21, 2018, Valley Forge, PA.

Dole R, **Erdman E**, Schiller M, Gerig M, Kloos. *Walking the Talk: Student-Run Pro Bono Services Fostering Leadership and Advocacy Skills in the Next Generation of Physical Therapists*. American Physical Therapy Association/American Council on Academic Physical Therapy Education and Leadership Conference, October 2017.

Francis M, Lefebvre K, Wellmon, RH, **Erdman E**. *Interprofessional Transfers Laboratory Experience Improves Student Attitudes Towards Interprofessional Learning, Collaboration, Teamwork, and Self-efficacy*. Oral presentation at: Sigma Theta Tau International's 28th International Nursing Research Congress; July, 2017; Dublin, Ireland.

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Black, JD, Palombaro K, Dole R, Suruskie T, Golder, T **Erdman E.** *Physical Therapy Pro Bono Service: Not Just Free Therapy.* Education session: Combined Sections Meeting of the American Physical Therapy Association; February, 2017; San Antonio, TX.

Francis M, Lefebvre K, Wellmon, RH, **Erdman E.** *Interprofessional Transfers Laboratory Experience Improves Student Attitudes Towards Interprofessional Learning, Collaboration, Teamwork, and Self-efficacy.* Platform presentation at: Combined Sections Meeting of the American Physical Therapy Association; February, 2017, San Antonio, TX.

Erdman E, Pierce S. *The Use of Hippotherapy With a Teenage Boy s/p Traumatic Brain Injury, a Case Study.* Platform presentation at: Combined Sections Meeting of the American Physical Therapy Association; February, 2015, Indianapolis, IN

Erdman E, Dole R. *Outcomes of a Hippotherapy Program for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder.* Poster presentation at: American Hippotherapy Association International Conference March 2013, St. Louis MI.

Erdman E, Tebay J. *The Use of Hippotherapy with an Adolescent Male s/p TBI.* Education session at: American Hippotherapy Association International Conference March 2011, St. Louis MI

Forth G, **Erdman E.** *Stable Management as an Adjunct to Equestrian Therapy.* Oral presentation at: North American Riding for the Handicapped Association Annual Conference, November 1989, Parsippany, NJ.

Erdman E, Forth G. *Hippotherapy.* Poster presentation at: National Head Injury Foundation Conference December 1986, San Diego, CA.

Non-Peer Reviewed Publications:

Erdman E, Fields, Beth. *Critical Inquiry Considerations for Evaluating Research in Evidence-Based Practice.* American Hippotherapy Magazine, Winter 2018.

Erdman E. *Research Critique: Effects of hippotherapy on body functions, activities and participation in children with cerebral palsy based on ICF-CY assessments.* American Hippotherapy Magazine, Summer 2018.

Erdman E. *The Path to Publication.* American Hippotherapy Magazine, Summer 2016.

Erdman E. *A Storybook to Promote Positive Behaviors.* American Hippotherapy Magazine, Winter 2015.

Current Research Activities:

Palombaro K, Black J, McArdle Duszak K, **Erdman E**, Stewart A, Jones S. *Civic Mindedness and Compassion Fatigue in the First Three Years of Professional Physical Therapist Practice: An Exploratory Study*. Manuscript in process.

Lefebvre K, Francis M, Wellmon, R, **Erdman E**. *Nursing and physical therapy interdisciplinary patient mobility simulation: a qualitative study*. Manuscript under review in Nurse Education and Practice.

Willgens A, **Erdman E**. *Survey of Medical Professionals Incorporating Equine Movement into Pediatric Therapy Practice: Patterns and Recommendations for the Future*. Manuscript under review in Cogent Medicine.

Erdman E, Black JD, Campbell, S, Palombaro K, Golder T, Grazioli S. *Continued Investigation of the Influence that Service in a Pro Bono Clinic has on a First Full-time Physical Therapy Clinical Education Experience*. Manuscript in process.

Erdman E, Black JD. *Exploring Physical Therapy International Clinical Education Experiences: How do they Measure up to Clinical and Professional Standards?* Manuscript in process.

Erdman E, Peters C, Fields, B. *Risks, Incidents and Injuries Related to the Incorporation of Hippotherapy into Clinical Practice: a Qualitative Survey*. IRB approval attained 12/2018, data collection in progress

Membership in Scientific/Professional Organizations:

American Physical Therapy Association	1984-present
Academy of Pediatric Physical Therapy, Member	
Academy of Physical Therapy Education, Member	
Academy of Geriatric Physical Therapy, Member	
Health Policy and Administration Section, Member	
Section on Research, Member	
Pennsylvania Physical Therapy Association, Member	1985-present
Pediatric Special Interest Group, Member	
American Hippotherapy Association	1989-present
Research Committee	2017-present
Appointed Research Committee Co-chair	August 2018 - present
Ethics and Accountability Committee	February 2019 - present

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American Hippotherapy Certification Board	September 2016 - present
Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society	March 2019 - present

Consultative and Advisory Positions Held:

Chester Community Physical Therapy Clinic Advisory Board Clinic Supervisor	2017-present 2012-present 2017-present
Journal of the Academy of Geriatric Physical Therapy Peer Reviewer	2017-present
All Riders Up Consultant	

Service to the University/College/School on Committees:

University Level:

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| • Widener Health and Wellness Coalition | 2013-2014 |
| • SHSP representative to TIRC | 2017 |

School Level:

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| • Academic Affairs | 2017-2018 |
| • Diversity Committee | 2013-present |
| • Interdisciplinary Day | 2013, 2014, 2015 |

Unit Level:

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| • Secretary/Agenda Coordinator for Faculty Meetings & Retreats | 2015-2016 |
| • Curriculum and Comprehensive Exam Committee | 2016-present |
| • PT Class Advisor Class of 2020 | 2017-present |
| • Continuing Professional Education Institute | 2016-present |
| • Outcomes Committee | 2012-2015 |
| • Admissions Committee | 2013-present |
| • MLK day Committee | 2013-present |

Services to the Profession:

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| • Journal of the Academy of Geriatric Physical Therapy
Guest Editor | 2017-present |
| • Philadelphia Area Clinical Education Consortium
Member | 2013-present |

Honors and Awards:

Recipient of the Genesis Rehabilitation Area 2

Current Teaching Responsibilities in the Entry-Level Program:

PT730 Client Management I
Fall Semester

PT891 Advanced Practice Pediatrics: Elective
Fall Semester

PT813 Life Span II
Spring Semester

PT734 Clinical Practice I
Spring Semester

PT780 Clinical Practice II
Summer Semester

PT865 Clinical Practice III
Spring Semester

PT866 Clinical Practice IV
Spring Semester

PT800 Comprehensive Examination
Spring Semester