

January 14, 2008

Dear Clinical Supervisor,

Every year the Michigan Physical Therapy Association solicits recommendations for "Outstanding Student" from all physical therapy and physical therapy assistant programs. These awards are intended for students who:

- are in the final year of their professional curriculum
- have a cumulative grade-point average (GPA) of 3.2
- are a member of the APTA/MPTA
- have demonstrated "outstanding" participation in academic, professional and related community activities.

Candidate recommendations should be documented through nomination forms by a faculty member **and** a clinician who has worked with the student during some aspect of their formal clinical experience, volunteer experiences or paid work. Each program may nominate up to two students.

The faculty nominator should comment on those aspects of the student's performance which seem to rank both present and potential contributions as being of exceptional value. Commentary might be directed toward quality of academic performance, leadership ability, initiative, dependability, responsibility, ability to relate to others, depth of contribution in extracurricular activities, professional commitment and ability to overcome adversity. Clinician recommendations might address the quality of clinical performance, responsibility, dependability, leadership ability, initiative, ability to relate to others, and the potential for future contributions to the profession.

All portions of the Nomination Form are to be completed and returned to me by **August 15, 2008** by email, fax, or regular mail. This will allow the committee time to review the nominees from each program. We strongly encourage recipients (and their school representatives) to attend the October 11, 2008 MPTA Annual Fall Conference, at the Bavarian Inn in Frankenmuth, Michigan, to receive their award.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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4. Did this student display appropriate initiative in the clinic? Please explain:

5. Did the student interact well with patients? With staff? Please explain:

6. What was the student's level of participation in department activities? (e.g. staff meetings, in services, other projects, etc.)

7. Was there anything in this student's performance that indicates potential for future contributions to the field of physical therapy? If so, what and why?

Signature of Nominator: _____

Please return by August 15 to:

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