



PTA Program Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

April 28, 2020

7:00 PM

Attendees: Justin Berry, Shelley Koerber, Gary Schindler, Jamie Bowman, Alicia Backer, Dawn Eickman, Ben Holter, Tony Kuchan, Tyler Haugen, Joely Christianson, Andrea Moses

Topic	Discussion/Outcome
1. Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM.
2. Review of prior meeting minutes	Minutes reviewed from fall meeting, nor changes recommended. Welcome to new first year class representative Joely Christianson.
3. Introductions & discussion on current COVID clinical environment	<p>1. The college has moved all courses online following spring break in March with no students on campus. Faculty have been using a mix of synchronous and asynchronous lectures and labs via Zoom.</p> <p>2. CAPTE has been providing guidance for programs on how to ensure accreditation standards due to these changes. CAPTE is allowing programs to complete competency assessments for some skills via distance education methods when appropriate. Some skills (physical agents specifically), will need to be completed when students are allowed back on campus in small groups. Students have already been completing some skills, such as goniometry and manual muscle testing on family members, roommates, or classmates via Zoom successfully (the program sent each student 2 goniometers in the mail). The program has communicated short term changes to instruction and assessment to CAPTE.</p> <p>3. Practical exams have been cancelled for now, with students demonstrating competency via skill checks, which include critical safety elements.</p>

	<p>4. We are waiting to hear when students can return to clinical education experiences. CAPTE has allowed programs to decrease the number of required hours for 2nd year students for graduation.</p> <p>5. Written exams have been proctored using ProctorU, which the college is paying for.</p>
4. Report from Program Director	<p>1. Justin and Shelley both attended APTA's Combined Sections Meeting in Denver in February; where 3 2nd year students presented a research poster; Justin presented a research platform, co-presented a presentation; and received the Academy of Physical Therapy Education's President's Award.</p> <p>2. Incoming student applications are down compared to previous years, but there are still many potential students requesting information.</p>
5. Change regarding no more observation hours as a program admission requirement	<p>1. As emailed to the advisory committee earlier, due to a state Office of Civil Rights audit at the college earlier this academic year, no programs can continue to allow observation hours as part of program admission requirements. Now with COVID, it is good that this is no longer a requirement.</p>
7. Program Outcomes and Demographics	<p>1. 100% NPTE ultimate pass rate over the past 2 years.</p> <p>2. Program is currently meeting all program matrices except for retention and graduation, which are lower than what the program would like.</p>
8. Report from Program ACCE; Review of clinical experience length, placement, and duration	<p>1. With the CAPTE reduction in required hours, all 2nd year students will meet the minimum number of required hours and will meet program requirements for a mix of settings.</p> <p>2. 1st year students will complete clinical introduction (part time clinical) once the college and sites both re-allow students in the clinic.</p> <p>3. The 5 week full-time clinical education experience scheduled for 1st year students this summer has been moved to later in the summer.</p> <p>4. The program currently has 68 active contracts, with 207 total clinical sites. The program has up to 426 clinical experience positions available a year (outpatient: 293; inpatient 187). There is adequate number and variety of sites for the program currently</p>
9. Nominations of new members	<p>Morgan Podell at Altruand, Lon Kratochvil from Unity Hospital in Grafton, ND; and Steve Halcrow from UND-DPT have been nominated. Justin will contact each of them.</p>
10. Adjournment	<p>Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM</p>

Next Meeting: Fall 2020