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**CONFERENCE IN
CHARLOTTE, NC
JUNE 11-14, 2014**

SPRING 2014 NEWSLETTER



LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Heidi Roth, PT, DHS, NCS

Dear Section Readers,

It has been a true privilege to serve as the Chair of the BI SIG over the past three years. I want to extend my sincere gratitude to the Neurology Section and the BI SIG committee members for their support and commitment. This has made my term not only gratifying, but also such an amazing learning experience.

Through the committee's dedication the BI SIG has grown to 869 members! We are proud to provide up to date resources through the website and participate in the Neurology Section's abstract of the month online discussion. One of our goals for the upcoming year is to provide the professional members and general community with online informational handouts to foster patient education. This is just one of many exciting projects to serve the brain injury community, and we continue generate novel programming. We are always looking for ideas and areas of need, so please do not hesitate to contact the committee members with recommendations or feedback. We are only as strong as our membership and hope to build a passionate group of active individuals!

As I sign off the Chair position, I want to congratulate and welcome Mary Beth Osborne, PT, DPT as the incoming Chair, and Jodi Krause, PT, DPT as the incoming Nominating committee member. The SIG is excited and privileged to have these incoming professionals join the BI SIG committee and I look forward to participating in their exciting new endeavors.

Have a safe summer,

Heidi Roth

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**HAVE YOU HEARD WHAT IS NEXT!
Charlotte, NC
JUNE 11-14**

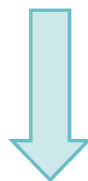
• **Say goodbye to "Annual Conference and Exposition." Say hello to NEXT!**

APTA's annual June conference will have a new name and a new attitude.

It's a name change, but it's more than that it's commitment to making APTA's June conference about looking into the future of physical therapy.

"NEXT" isn't an abbreviation, but it does stand for something:

It's a name thematic of where this conference and the profession are headed.



Come learn and relax at APTA's Annual Conference from June 11-14, 2014 in Charlotte, NC! Choose from 14 different tracks areas of evidence-based programming, 90 courses, and network with colleagues. Join us for opening keynote address by Captain Mark Kelly, with a special video message from former US Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords, plus the acclaimed McMillan and 19th Maley lectures and Oxford Debate!

For rates and reservations, go to the following link:

<https://show.jspargo.com/jemscfw/housing/default.aspx?ShowId=44&AppType=ATT>

**ANNUAL APTA CONFERENCE
CHARLOTTE, NC
JUNE 11-14, 2014**

CONFERENCE PROGRAMMING

Patient-Centered Management

Thursday, June 12, 2014:

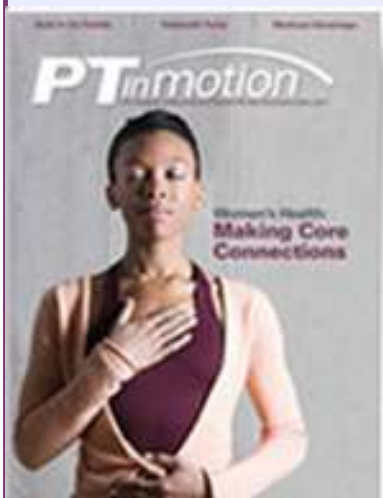
8:30– 9:30 a.m. State of the Art Military TBI Care: Latest Policies and Innovations in Return to Duty Assessment

3:00 – 4:30 p.m. Cerebral Concussion in Athletics: What the PT Needs to Know

3:00 – 4:30 p.m. Return to Play Decision Making: Evidence-Enhanced Clinical Reasoning for Assessing Return-to-Sport Participation

Saturday, June 14, 2014:

8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Use of Motivating Interviewing Techniques to Improve Self-Management in Physical Therapy Practice



Concussion Symptoms For Children May Change Over Time, Include Emotional Elements

In the May e-edition of the PT in Motion Magazine the hot topic of children's concussion comes to the forefront again. The article reviews a series of findings which appear to support findings that children with concussions have emotional changes long after physical symptoms of concussion have ceased. The article sites an e-publication in the May 12 issue of *[Pediatrics](#)* (abstract only available for free). The authors use the Rivermead instrument to look at cognitive, emotional and physical symptoms. These symptoms appear to show a variation in symptoms that do not decrease at the same pace.

See the full article at: <http://www.apta.org/PTinMotion/NewsNow/2014/5/13/ConcussionSymptomsKids/>

Want to become more involved in the BI SIG but you do not know where to start? *Please contact: Susy Halloran PT, DPT- Nominating Committee Chair E-Mail: susyhalloran@msn.com*

**Updates****PT NOW****WEBSITE RE-****SOURCES:**

- ⇒ Guidelines for Concussion/Mild Traumatic Brain Injury & Persistent Symptoms: Second Edition
- ⇒ Care of the Patient With Mild Traumatic Brain Injury: AAAN and ARN Clinical Practice Guideline Series
- ⇒ Fitness training for cardiorespiratory conditioning after traumatic brain injury
- ⇒ Best Evidence Statement (BEST): Coordination of Outpatient Rehabilitative Care for Patients With Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and Their Families

Now available on the Neurology Section Website!

THE TBIEDGE TASK FORCE FINDINGS:

<http://www.neuropt.org/professional-resources/neurology-section-outcome-measures-recommendations/traumatic-brain-injury>



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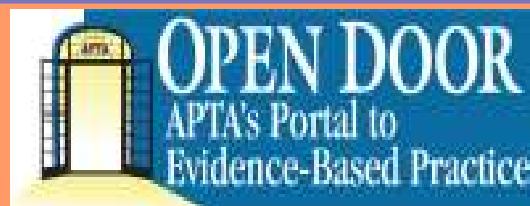
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