Brigham and Women's Department of Rehabilitation Services Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Physical Therapy Clinical Residency Program

The mission of the BWH Department of Rehabilitation Services Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Physical Therapy Residency Program is to offer the practicing physical therapist an opportunity to achieve a number of objectives. They include acquire advanced evidence-based clinical knowledge and integrate the evidence into clinical decision-making, contribute to current research; and become leaders in the treatment of patients with cardiovascular and pulmonary health conditions.

Program goals:

- o Promote high quality, patient centered care utilizing current evidence based research in the area of cardiovascular and pulmonary physical therapy.
- o Promote the role of physical therapy in the management of acute and chronic cardiovascular and pulmonary conditions in the acute care patient population.
- o Prepare the resident for successful achievement of ABPTS board-certified clinical specialization in cardiovascular and pulmonary physical therapy.
- Promote the development of advanced clinical practitioners in the specialized area of physical therapy management of patients with cardiovascular and pulmonary disease.

Program objectives:

- O The program will provide a comprehensive curriculum, that includes didactic coursework and clinical practice skills that are consistent with the Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Physical Therapy Description of Specialty Practice.
- o The program will provide mentored clinical experiences in evidence-based practice for adult patients with cardiac, pulmonary and vascular conditions in the acute care setting. The program will lead to competence in clinical decision-making and management of these populations commonly seen in the acute care setting. The program will also provide exposure to the physical therapy management of cardiovascular and pulmonary patients in the outpatient cardiac rehabilitation clinic and the outpatient pulmonary clinic.
- The program's structure will provide opportunities to participate in multidisciplinary interactions on the cardiology, cardiac surgery, vascular, pulmonary and thoracic surgery services e.g. direct patient care management, patient care rounds, and educational in-services.
- O The program will require the resident to contribute to the advanced practice of cardiovascular and pulmonary physical therapy through participation in and dissemination of knowledge gained through case study reports; in-servicing of other physical therapists, physical therapy students or interns, and/or other healthcare professionals; clinical research; and other administrative/consultation opportunities. The program's faculty will support the resident's activities by providing mentoring in the areas of professionalism, leadership, teaching and research.

Candidates for the Resident Physical Therapist position must be able to meet the requirements outlined in the Resident Physical Therapist, Cardiovascular and Pulmonary, Job Description. See copy of job description.

The Resident PT position is a 12-15 month full time paid position in the Department of Rehabilitation Services at Brigham and Women's Hospital. The resident's work schedule is 8:00 am - 4: 30 pm, Monday – Friday, with occasional weekends.

Hospital employees are eligible for the following benefits:

Paid Time-Off Program Health, Dental and Vision Insurance

Long-term disability Tax Sheltered Annuities

Flexible Spending Accounts

Life insurance

Retiree Medical Savings Account Long-term Care Insurance Plan

Tuition Reimbursement Wellness Plan

Child Care Employee Assistance Program

Professional Liability Coverage

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