

# **Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) Program Strategic Plan: 2015-2020**

## **Vision Statement:**

The Doctor of Physical Therapy program at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center will be nationally recognized for excellence in education, scholarship and service to the community and physical therapy profession.

## **Mission Statement:**

The mission of the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) is to educate students to be autonomous, evidence-based practitioners who improve the health of people through the application of their clinical skills, collaboration with other health care professionals, and are committed to life-long learning and community service.

## **Goals:**

### **Goal #1: Education**

The TTUHSC Doctor of Physical Therapy program will educate students to possess exceptional knowledge, competency and patient/client management skills.

#### **Objectives for Goal #1**

- Upon completion of the DPT program, students will:
  - ◆ demonstrate high-level professional behaviors that support life-long learning to maintain competency in a rapidly evolving knowledge environment.
  - ◆ demonstrate high-level clinical competencies, with skills and judgment, incorporating evidence-based practices to maximize patient efficacy.
- Each graduating class will achieve a first-time pass rate on the National Physical Therapy Exam of at least 90%, and will surpass state and national first-time pass rates.

### **Goal #2: Scholarship**

The TTUHSC DPT program faculty will have a strong commitment to scholarship.

#### **Objectives for Goal #2**

- Each DPT faculty member will produce an average of at least one scholarly work per two years as defined by CAPTE concepts of scholarship (e.g., peer reviewed publication, conference presentation, published abstract).
- Each DPT program faculty member will submit a detailed scholarship plan as part of their annual appraisal.

### **Goal #3: Service**

The TTUHSC DPT program faculty, students and graduates will provide leadership and service in healthcare and in the profession.

#### **Objectives for Goal #3**

- All DPT program faculty will provide service to the university, community and/or professional service organizations.
- The majority of DPT program faculty who possess a clinical license will provide clinical care within the scope of the School of Health Professions clinical practice income plan.
- The majority of DPT program students and all clinical faculty will be members of the American Physical Therapy Association.
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