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President's Message

—Jan Yingst, PT, PCS



Happy Spring! The snow is beginning to melt on some of our ski slopes and temperatures are rising a bit. I hope you are planning to attend the IPTA Spring Conference in Boise on April 19th and 20th. The continuing education offering is applicable to all PTs and PTAs in the state, and office staff dealing with coding – Coding and Reimbursement, presented by Helene Fearon and Steve Levine.

In addition to the CEUs you can accumulate in a weekend, you will have the opportunity to rub shoulders with your colleagues across the state

and participate in our IPTA Chapter Meeting, listen to Shirley Rencken present on her PT trip to Cambodia, peruse the offerings at the vendor show, and participate in special interest group discussions. This is your opportunity to collaborate with other Idaho therapists and to be involved in our Idaho professional organization.

There are many of you who currently volunteer in the IPTA organization in one way or another, and many of you who may be interested but are unsure how to get involved. This is the conference to get involved! The IPTA has a new organizational structure which will be presented at this conference. The structure includes many opportunities for involvement to make a difference in your professional life. Volunteering provides each of us an opportunity to develop and improve our skills, increases networking opportunities, provides leadership experience and the ability to influence, gives the volunteer opportunities for advocating for the profession and is certainly an alternative to complaining! If you have a desire to change something about your professional organization, volunteering for tasks, committees and programs will give you the opportunity to be involved in that change.

As a new IPTA volunteer, you will receive orientation to your job responsibilities and you will have a mentor to assist you in becoming successful for your new responsibilities. As a volunteer, you are recognized by your peers for your efforts and enjoy the camaraderie of a unique group of physical therapy professionals in the state.

Take a moment today to call one of the Board members listed on the back of this newsletter to discuss how you can become more involved in the Idaho Chapter. See you in Boise in April!!

IPTA Spring Meeting

Space is still available for the presentation by Helene Fearon, PT and Stephen Levine, PT,DPT,MSHA titled *Reimbursement Challenges in Outpatient PT: Tools for Success in 2008 and Beyond!*

Members who invite their office managers and billing personnel to this presentation will gain the most from this seminar. Office staff pay only \$100.00 to attend. To sign up take the link to 123signup from www.ptidaho.org. **Pay by check or credit card.**

Delegate to Vietnam and Cambodia to speak at Spring Meeting Luncheon

Shirley Rencken, PT., IPTA's secretary joined People to People Ambassadors and APTA on a physical therapy delegation to Vietnam and Cambodia last September. The purpose of the trip was to exchange ideas and information to open the door for continued relationships.

Shirley will share her experiences over lunch on Saturday, April 19, 2008 at Courtyard by Marriott Meridian Hotel, 1789 South Eagle Road, Meridian.

Lunch is included for those taking the continuing education presented by Helene Fearon, PT and Stephen Levine, PT,DPT,MSHA. Those not taking the course can order lunch by sending \$12.50 to IPTA, 4220 Bodenheimer Street, Boise, ID 83703. If you wish to hear Shirley's account, but do not want lunch, you can attend at no charge.

Spring Business Meeting

The Spring Business Meeting will be held at **5:30 pm, on Saturday April 19**, also at the Courtyard by Marriott. Come and rekindle friendships, check out the Trade Show and hear what IPTA volunteers have been accomplishing for the association.

Before you come, check out our website at www.ptidaho.org, click the "About Us" button and at the bottom right you can click for the new organizational chart and information about volunteer opportunities.

Trade Show

Vendors will bring the latest techniques and equipment to the Courtyard by Marriott Meridian Hotel on Saturday, April 19 from 2:30 - 7:30 p.m. Don't miss this opportunity to see what is new!

IPTA Fall Annual Meeting/Elections, Awards Banquet and Continuing Education

Boise, Idaho Oct. 18/19, 2008

Thanks to St.Lukes-Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Services, 600 N. Robbins Rd, Boise for providing the Conference Room at no cost.

Awards Banquet Oct. 18

IPTA's Annual Award Banquet will be held **Saturday, Oct. 18, 2008 at 7:30 pm.** in the Clearwater Ballroom of SpringHill Suites by Marriott Boise ParkCenter, 424 East ParkCenter Boulevard. Tickets are \$22.00 each. Send checks, payable to Idaho Physical Therapy Assn., to IPTA, 4220 Bodenheimer Street, Boise, ID 83703.

Reservations are essential, no seats will be available the night of the banquet.

Stay at SpringHill Suites for the special rate of \$69.00 plus 13% tax. To receive this rate, reservations must be made by Sept. 17, 2008. Call 208/342-1044 and ask for IPTA rate.

To nominate a member for the J. Perry Silver Award for Outstanding Service to Physical Therapy; PT of the Year Award; PTA of the Year Award, Friend of PT Award; Outstanding PT Student Award; or Outstanding PTA Student Award please download a nomination form from www.ptidaho.org. Select the "District" button across the top of the home page.

IPTA's Annual Business Meeting/Elections will follow the continuing education on Sat. Oct. 18, 2008 at 5:00 pm in the Sawtooth Room at St.Lukes-Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Services, 600 North Robbins Road, Boise.

To nominate a member for President, Secretary, or member of the Nominating Committee contact Nikki Walker, nikki@rehabauthority.com, chair this year of the Nominating Committee.

The **Continuing Education** is an APTA Advanced Clinical Practice Course (ACP) **Functional Biomechanics of the Lower Quarter**, and will be presented in Boise Oct. 18/19, 2008 by APTA. The course will have limited enrollment to maximize the participant's learning. Don't delay in registering when you receive a brochure from APTA.

Spring Into Action

**—Deanna Dye, PT
Vice President**

It is time for spring. I have really been hit with spring fever this year, but we just got hit with 14 more inches of snow this weekend. Yet, I still have faith that it will melt and spring will still come - someday. Sometimes this feeling of something never coming is felt within our careers. We work hard and help many people return to better quality lives but sometimes we just don't seem to get reimbursed for our effort and worth. Yet, I still have faith that our profession is a needed and desired service to society. As such, we will continue to grow and prosper but perhaps not at the rate we would like to see. We have a lot of obstacles to leap over and around but let's not forget we are physical therapists; we like movement and challenges. So, I challenge us all to be more proactive.

First, attend this spring's IPTA conference (April 19&20). The continuing education is covering billing and coding - *Reimbursement Challenges in Outpatient Physical Therapy: Tools for Success in 2008 & Beyond!* [It reads very well if you use the voice of Buzz Lightyear in

Toy Story.] Although it focuses on outpatient physical therapy, it will provide the information needed to get reimbursed for the great job that we do in any setting. The speakers are nationally renowned; Helene Fearon and Steven Levine. I attended a course given by Helene six years ago and I am registered again for this update. She is a fantastic speaker and can make the topic of reimbursement understandable and concrete and even keeps it entertaining.

Another way to be proactive is to be informed. Consider attending a national meeting. Both the annual conference and the next CSM are being held in the WEST! The annual conference is in San Antonio with its fun Riverwalk and CSM is in Las Vegas with it's well we know what Vegas has. Vegas is an easy flight for many of us here in Idaho. So try to take advantage of a national meeting when they are in the west.

Another way to take control of our professional destiny is to talk to our patients. Go beyond their immediate health care and talk about issues concerning health care in general. Encourage them to be pro-active if they are unhappy with their insurance coverage or with Medicare. Provide them with the tools and resources to reach out and contact the insurance companies, Medicare and their legislators.

A final thing we can do is get involved in the community. I know most of you are already community activists. The more we are out and about, the more we are recognized as leaders. Just some ideas to spring us into action.



—Samantha Smith, PT, DPT and Stephanie Rock, PT, DPT Special Olympics Idaho FunFitness coordinators

The 2008 Special Olympics Invitational provided PT's in Idaho the opportunity to provide fitness screenings to nearly 160 athletes in 13 hours spread over three days. With its highs and lows (approximately 100 of the athletes were screened in the first five hours) it gave therapists in the area the opportunity to get familiar with Special Olympics and the screening process.

These invitational games also gave coordinators of Special Olympics and Healthy Athletes insight to things that will have to be done better when the world comes to Idaho next February with an anticipated 3,000 athletes here to participate in the games.

We would like to extend a heart-felt thank you to those who volunteered this year and endured the chaos of helping us work out the kinks. If you are interested in becoming part of this screening team we invite you to join us at the chapter meeting in April to hear more about this awesome event and how you can get involved. The world is coming to Idaho next year, let's get ready!!!

Southwest District Report

—Taryn Williams, PT, District Chair

The Southwest District is currently in need of a Vice Chair and Secretary. If you are interested in either of these positions or in helping out with contacting our state representatives please contact Taryn Williams at TarynTWilliams@gmail.com.

Upcoming Events: Tentative date May 21, exact date TBA
Evening presentation on Radiology, CEUs provided.
Pediatric Seating and Mobility Clinic, CEUs provided
For more information please contact TarynTWilliams@gmail.com

Combined Sections Meeting

—Jennifer Ford, B.S, PTA

Caucus Representative

Music City did not disappoint; so many new sites and sounds, even a tornado. Combined Sections Meeting (CSM) was in Nashville this past February. A record setting 7,000 physical therapists and physical therapist assistants were in attendance to advance their education and network with colleagues.

CSM was the kick off to prepare for House of Delegates this June in San Antonio. I attended the PTA Town Hall meeting, which was also attended by John Barnes, the new CEO of the APTA and by APTA President Scott Ward. They discussed the changes to come in the next year including the new Strategic Planning and Thinking Initiative (STP). They encouraged each member to complete the STP survey. The results of the survey will help direct the decisions during the planning process for the direction of APTA and Vision 2020. The initial strategic plan will be available in May. The Advisory Panel has submitted a plan for Vision 2020 detailing what part the PTA will play to the board, results of that should be available in the near future.

I invite you to keep up-to-date on the current issues concerning PTAs around the country by logging on to the APTA website at www.apta.org and visiting the PTA message board. Licensure is still a hot topic around the nation, three Chapters obtained PTA licensure in 2007. There are four remaining unregulated states working towards licensure including: Michigan, Utah, Colorado, and Hawaii.

Also, please take advantage of the APTA program for Recognition of Advanced Proficiency for the PTA. This program is specifically designed for PTAs surpassing the experience, educational, and leadership requirements of the program as well as for working as part of a PT/PTA team in one of the following areas: Musculoskeletal, Neuromuscular, Integumentary, and/or Cardiovascular/Pulmonary. To date, 195 assistants have been recognized. The next deadline is August 1, 2008. Information and requirements are available online.

On November 1, 2008 in Eagle, ID. PT on Call will be sponsoring a Manual Therapy Course for PTA's with an emphasis on lower extremities. For more information regarding this class please use the contact information below.

I represent PTAs of Idaho and need to express your concerns. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns by email: jenford1206@yahoo.com or by phone (208)305-4636. Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at the Spring IPTA Meeting in Boise, April 19th.

Another way to volunteer...Members Mentoring Members

—Brenda Johnson, DPT, Newsletter Editor

Are you looking for a way to give back to the profession? If you don't want to volunteer for a local or state association position, but would like to contribute to the profession, consider MMM. MMM is the APTA's Members Mentoring Members Program.

The purpose of MMM is to connect experienced physical therapy professionals with fellow members who have similar areas of interest but who lack experience. This program allows mentors to share their experience and wisdom while allowing a protégé to meet their career goals, network and realize their full potential. Most importantly the scope of the relationship is defined by the mentor and protégé themselves and not by the program. It works like this:

- Mentors complete a personal statement and application form

which is submitted to Women's Initiatives, a department of the APTA. Information includes: years of experience, areas of experience, areas of interest and current work setting. This information is placed in a database through the APTA.

- Protégés search the database for mentors by entering key areas of interest (i.e. acute care, cerebellar involvement, research etc).

The MMM program does not match mentors with protégés. Protégés can contact mentors to initiate dialogue and determine if they make a good match. The MMM webpage has several articles that can be referenced to assist in establishing goals and expectations. This database is updated continually and can be found at apta.org under "tools & resources" labeled as the "mentoring program".

- There is also a version of this program designed for students. The SMART program is students mentoring students.

Lorna Brown and **Stephen Price** of Boise are perfect examples of how this program can be more than just an exchange of professional information. This is an account of their experience with the program.

Members Mentoring Members

When **Stephen Price** moved to Boise with his wife Sarah, he was new to the state and new to the profession of physical therapy. He had benefited from a mentoring program when he was in undergraduate school and decided to check out the APTA Members Mentoring Members program. When he logged on to the mentor directory, he discovered a whopping one mentor located in Boise signed up with the program! Her personal statement gave him enough information that he felt she was probably a safe bet, so he decided to take a chance.

When **Lorna Brown** received the e-mail from Stephen in the fall of 2007, she had actually forgotten she had volunteered for the program. "I had received one or two e-mails prior to that, but had never been contacted by a PT in Boise," said Lorna. He seemed full of that new graduate enthusiasm, something she thought she could use a little more of, so they made plans to meet at a local coffee shop.

"We hit it off right from the beginning. We discovered that we had many similar professional as well as personal interests. Stephen is a great guy and I've really enjoyed getting to know him and his wife Sarah," Lorna explained.

They've met up for coffee several times since that initial conversation, connecting on other occasions as well, both professionally and personally. Stephen has been gracious enough to allow some of Lorna's students to come and spend a few hours with him in the vestibular rehab clinic where he works. This has been a great opportunity for students to get exposure to a specialized aspect of physical therapy they might not otherwise have a chance to see.

It has also provided some of Lorna's out-of-town students, those with no friends or family in the area, the ability to have contact with someone who adds that young, hip, professional perspective. "It can be a lonely experience to be in an unfamiliar town during an internship and it's just not that cool to hang out with your 50's something CII," mentioned one of them, jokingly.

Lorna has been a great resource by introducing Stephen to a wide network of area PTs, through their joint attendance at several local physical therapy meetings. Lorna and her husband Larry have had Stephen and his wife over to their home for an afternoon of tasty barbeque, something Stephen cites—along with the thoughtful Christmas card the Prices received this year from the Browns—as a mark of the personal dynamic that exists in the mentor relationship.

Currently, Lorna and Stephen are exploring the possibility of doing some volunteering together at a local free medical clinic. They would

both highly recommend involvement in the mentoring program. You never know when you might make another personal/professional friend for life!

The cool thing about the APTA-sponsored mentoring program is that you can make it anything you want it to be. The APTA merely acts as facilitators, helping connect PT's of similar interests. We do the rest.

January Board Meeting

IPTA racked up another "first" in January when the Board of Directors' meeting was conducted electronically. Board members gathered in Idaho Falls (OR WAS IT POCATELLO??), Twin Falls, Boise or Moscow and faced each other on a large monitor.

Once we got used to pressing a button when we wished to speak so that we would be on camera, the meeting took off and went extremely well.

High School Physicals in Boise, June 10

Ada County Medical Society (ACMS) is calling for PT's and PTA's to help give High School Physicals to Meridian and Boise School District athletes on June 10. Last year nearly 1,000 student athletes received physicals during this one day event.

PTs are needed for posture and back screening. To help out e-mail director@adamedicalsociety.org or phone 208/336-2930.

A request for participation is being mailed to Boise area therapists by ACMS.

Medicare Issues

Legislation Would Delay Fee-Schedule Cuts

Physical therapists and other providers would not face scheduled cuts to the Medicare physician fee schedule until December 31, 2009, under legislation recently filed in the US House. HR 5445, introduced by Representatives Tom Price (R-GA) and David Scott (D-GA), would delay for 18 months cuts in the conversion factor planned for July 1, 2008. The delay is intended to give Congress more time to find a long-term solution to problems with the sustainable growth rate, which determines Medicare payments.

Legislation signed by the President on December 29 avoided a scheduled 10.1 percent cut in the conversion factor for Medicare providers, but only through June 30, 2008. More information on 2008 Medicare policies affecting PTs is available online.

New Advanced Beneficiary Notice for Part B Medicare

CMS (Medicare) has announced that effective March 3, 2008, the ABN (Advanced Beneficiary Notice) for Part B (outpatient PT) has been replaced by a new ABN form. There is a six month transition period from the old form, ending September 1, 2008. This new form also replaces the NEMB (Notice of Exclusion from Medicare Benefits) as well. There are some significant changes including an option that allows beneficiaries to opt out of having Medicare billed for services provided altogether.

The ABN must be completed by the provider, discussed with and signed by the beneficiary when services provided are not covered by Medicare or when their benefits have expired (for example, when therapy cap limits are met). This does not apply to Part A SNF or home health services. A new SNF ABN will be implemented at a later date. It does apply to Part B services no matter where they are implemented (private clinic, hospital outpatient department, SNF outpatient department, etc.)

For more information, take the link:

<http://www.cms.lhs.gov/BNI/02_ABNGABNL.asp The new Part B form, instructions and FAQ's can be accessed at this link. Also there are additional links for SNF and home health ABN form information.

Medicare "Trigger" Summary Online

Members now have access to an online summary explaining Medicare legislation recently introduced because of spending projections. Legislation to reduce Medicare spending has been introduced in Congress because trustees have reported that more than 44 percent of the program's spending will come from general tax revenue for consecutive years. The measures to cut spending are legally required under the Medicare Modernization Act (MMA) of 2003.

Medicare Enrollment Audio Conference Slated for May 1

Physical therapists with questions about Medicare enrollment can ask the experts May 1 during APTA's newest audio conference, *PTs and Medicare Enrollment: Getting It Right*. The program, scheduled from 2:00 to 3:30 pm ET on Thursday, May 1, will take participants through the enrollment process from start to finish.

After the presentation, participants may ask questions of the featured speakers. Members can register for the audio conference online, download a registration form to fax in, or call 800/999-2782, ext 3395.

New Physical Therapy Workforce Page

APTA has developed a new Web page that exclusively contains information about human resources issues in the profession. The site was developed in response to perceived shortages of physical therapists, as well as a House of Delegates motion requesting an emphasis on Workforce issues within the profession. The site contains a report on vacancy and turnover rates within acute care hospitals.

Members also can access a discussion forum to conduct interactive dialogues with colleagues, including asking questions and providing information about human resources issues. Additional reports will be posted as information is collected. Please visit the Workforce page and add your comments about the report in the discussion forum.

Local Coverage Determination Comments

APTA has provided comments to National Government Services, Inc (NGS) on the draft local coverage determination (LCD) for Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. The draft LCD will have a major impact on the provision of services delivered by physical therapists in a number of states across the country. To review these comments go to Coverage Issues on APTA's Federal Regulatory Affairs page.

Quality measure test sites needed ASAP!

APTA is seeking 10-15 offices who report services on a CMS 1500 form or electronic equivalent to participate in beta testing of newly developed quality measures. It is anticipated that beta testing will begin mid to late April. Ten to 15 offices are needed.

There is no on site visit, however it will require attending a webex training on the use of the data collection tools, using the measures and data collection tools in an office setting, providing feedback in an exit interview after the 2 - 3 weeks of testing is complete, and sending in randomly selected charts to review against the data collection tools for inter rater reliability testing.

The participating offices can be located in any part of the country. Please provide the names and contact information of interested

participants no later than April 9th to Rhea Cohn (<rheacohn@apta.org).

Be aware that this has nothing to do with an audit and providers are not at risk for participation.

A call for authors!

The Geriatric Home Study Course is currently seeking authors for the following 2010 monographs, Volume 6.

Incontinence: Implications for Physical Therapy
Aging and Applications to Using the Guide: Case Presentations
Updates on Physical and Chemical Restraints
Wellness and Prevention: What is the Evidence for Current Senior Fitness Programs

The first draft of the monograph will be due around April of 2009. Each monograph is approx. 62 pages in length and includes the following: table of contents, 10 review questions, 10 final exam questions, two case studies, and upward of 150-200 primary references.

Upon timely submission of the monograph, the author will receive \$1,000.00 honorarium. Each author will receive assistance in editing the monograph and answering questions!

This is a great opportunity to get involved! Contact Sue Wenker at wenker@surgery.wisc.edu or Jason Hardage at jhardage@txstate.edu for additional information or to let us know of your interest.

What to do if your 837P or CMS-1500 Claim Rejects

* Check your record in the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES)

- o Validate that the legacy identifier sent on the claim is reported in your NPPES record. If the legacy identifier is not there, it needs to be added.
- o Validate that the Legal Business Name (for a provider/supplier who is an organization) or the Legal Name (for a provider/supplier who is an individual or a sole proprietorship) is correct.
- o Validate that the correct Entity type was selected at the time of NPI application. Individuals obtain an NPI as Entity Type 1. Organizations obtain an NPI as Entity Type 2 NPI.

(Note: If you enumerated through the EFI alternative or submitted a paper NPI application, you should use the NPI Registry to check the content of your NPPES record. Make sure to have the Customer Service Representative at your Medicare contractor verify your Employer Identification Number (EIN) because the NPI Registry does not display EINs.)

* If the above validation is successful and your claims continue to reject, call the Customer Service Representative at your Medicare Contractor.

- o Have a copy of your NPPES record or your NPI Registry record in hand. A copy of your NPPES record can be printed from NPPES by going online at <<https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov> and using the User ID and password selected when you applied for your NPI. If you obtained your NPI through the EFI alternative or submitted a paper NPI application, you should print your record from the NPI Registry at <<https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/NPIRegistryHome.do>. EINs and

Social Security Numbers (SSNs) are not displayed in the NPI Registry.

- o Have the claim reject number and message
 - o Be prepared to give the following information:
 1. Legal Business Name of the organization or Legal Name of the individual
 2. Contractor Tracking Number (if known)
 3. Approximate date (month/year) when the CMS-855 enrollment application was submitted or last updated
 4. Provider/Supplier Tax Identification Number (EIN or SSN)
 5. National Provider Identifier (NPI)
 6. Medicare legacy Identifier
 7. Practice location on claim (i.e., where is the practice located (e.g., 100 Main St., New Orleans, LA)
 8. Contact Information where you can be reached if further discussion is needed
- <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProvIdentStand/>

Paris to Swim English Channel for PT Research

Stanley Paris, PT, PhD, FAPTA, announced his plans at CSM to swim across the English Channel to raise funds for Destination: Research Excellence. Paris will attempt to break the Guinness Book of World Records and become the oldest person to swim the Channel at age 71. The approximate 23-mile swim is planned for July. This will be Paris' third swim of the English Channel having officially completed the swim in 1986 after a 1983 attempt was denied on a technicality.

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Lakeland Physical Therapy & Sports Injuries is seeking a full-time Physical Therapist/ Director for growing private practice clinic in Rathdrum, Idaho. Competitive salary and benefits. Possible ownership opportunities. Contact: kathy@npt.us Phone (208) 765-4185 fax (208) 667-1847.

To place your ad in The Idaho Insight send the copy to office@ptidaho.org. Rate is \$5 for the first five words and 15 cents a word thereafter.

Continuing Education

April 5-6, 2008. Evidence-Based Exam & Selected Interventions for Patients with Lumbopelvic Spine and Hip Disorders. **CANCELLED.**

April 12, 2008. **Evaluating the Current Evidence Base for Selected Electrophysical Agents.** Sponsored by IPTA North Central District. Info: Keith Drury, krdrury@clarkston.com. 208/746-1418

April 19-20, 2008. **Reimbursement Challenges in Outpatient PT: Tools for Success in 2008 & Beyond.** Sponsored by IPTA as part of the Spring Meeting.. Info: office@ptidaho.org. 208/342-6647

May 6, 2008. **15th Annual Idaho Health Care Conference.** 8am-4:30pm, BSU, 1910 University Drive, Boise. Info*

May 14, 2008 **15th Annual Idaho Health Care Conference.** 8am-4:30pm, Quality Inn, Clarkston, WA. Info*

May 15, 2008. **15th Annual Idaho Health Care Conference.** 8am-4:30pm, Red Lion - Templin's Hotel, Post Falls . Info*

May 17-18, 2008. **Stability Integration: The Science and Art of Treating Instability of the Lumbo-Pelvic Region** by John Tomberlin MPhSt(Manip), PT, OCS, CSCS, FAAOMPT. Jackson, Wyoming. This 2 day course will provide the participant with the theory, research evidence, and clinical techniques to identify and treat instability of the lumbar spine and pelvis. The course contact and lab sessions will allow clinicians to integrate research evidence and hands-on-techniques into their daily clinical practice. Deadline to sign up is April 25, 2008. Info: Norene@fourpinespt.com 307-733-5577.

May 20, 2008 **15th Annual Idaho Health Care Conference.** 8am-4:30pm, Shilo Inn, Idaho Falls. Info*

May 21, 2008 **15th Annual Idaho Health Care Conference.** 8am-4:30pm, Holiday Inn, Pocatello Info*

May 22, 2008 **15th Annual Idaho Health Care Conference.** 8am-4:30pm, Best Western Inn and Convention Center, Burley Info*

Oct. 18-19, 2008. **Functional Biomechanics of the Lower Quarter.** An by APTA, sponsored ACP course. In conjunction with IPTA's Fall Annual Meeting.

*Info for **15th Annual Idaho Health Care Conference** is available from State Insurance Fund, administration@idahosif.org.. Idaho State Insurance Fund, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0044

GET YOUR NOMINATIONS IN NOW FOR J. PERRY SILVER AWARD, PT AND PTA OF THE YEAR AWARD AND OUTSTANDING PT AND PTA STUDENT AWARDS. Download nomination information from www.ptidaho.org.