



Dear Residency Program Applicant,

Congratulations on your decision to pursue advanced post-professional training in physical therapy! Through your interest in this specialized program, you probably already realize the importance of post-professional residency and fellowship programs in advancing the profession and the vision of the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA).

The **Pediatric Residency Program at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia** is a post-professional clinical and didactic education program designed to significantly advance the physical therapist resident's preparation as a practitioner of choice in the field of pediatric physical therapy. It combines opportunities for ongoing clinical mentoring with a scientific basis for advanced practice. At the end of the experience, the resident will be academically and clinically prepared to sit for the pediatric clinical specialist certification exam by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties (ABPTS).

As the number one pediatric hospital in the nation, we believe our residency program will develop some of the best practitioners of pediatric physical therapy in the country. Our diverse scope of practice and large staff of expert clinicians will develop residents with advanced skills in critical and innovative thinking as well as patient-centered, evidence-based, and autonomous practice. Graduates of our program will exemplify professional core values and contribute to the profession and to health care through their leadership, clinical excellence, teaching, consultative activities, and active pursuit of research and lifelong learning.

Providing excellent care to the children and families we serve is our passion. We invite you to learn more about our department, staff, and organization at: <http://www.chop.edu> and search "Physical Therapy". All pediatric residency program and application materials can be found on our department website.

We look forward to reviewing your application and speaking with you soon.

Sincerely,



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