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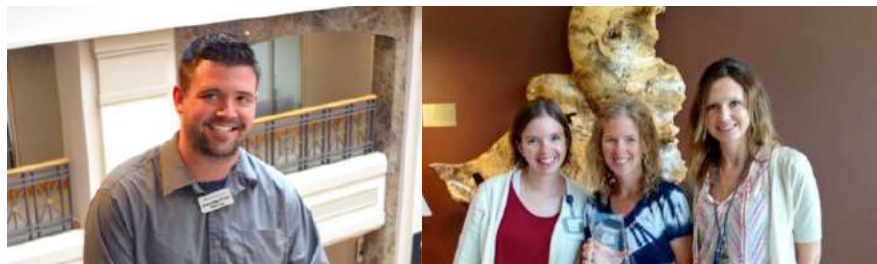
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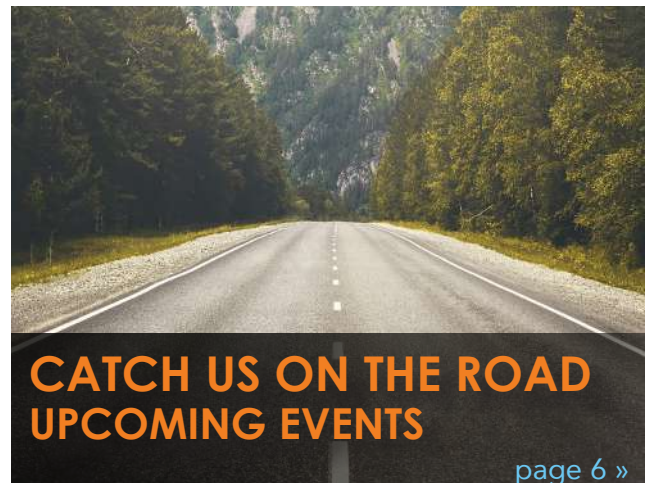
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“KJ should be proud of the contribution he made not just to rehab but to the entire hospital, for the improvement of patient care”

Catherine Byrne, Program Director
for Kindred Hospital Denver and KH Aurora.



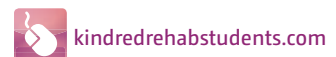
Clinical Internship Student, KJ Heddings with his eye catching display

Students Make Contributions that Impact Our Patients

KJ Heddings, a PT student from Regis University, recently completed his first clinical internship at **Kindred Hospital Aurora**. While onsite, KJ took the opportunity to work on the hospital's early mobility program, creating a visual display accessible by the hospital staff as well as visiting family and friends. The display included information on the importance of early mobility for an LTACH patient and pamphlets offering more information.

Catherine Byrne, the Program Director, had nothing but great things to say about KJ and his time at Kindred Hospital Aurora. Thank you, Catherine, for sharing this story with us and hats off to KJ on having a successful clinical internship experience!

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Patient Socialization Can Lead to Faster Healing



Pictured L to R- Clinical Internship Student Amy Potter, Program Director Frank Montegue, Clinical Internship Student Markesta McAlister

The patients at **Kindred Rehabilitation Hospital Northeast Houston** will be engaging more with fellow patients in the hope of recovering faster, thanks to a special project completed by two OTA students, Amy Potter and Markesta McAlister, from Lone Star College in Kingwood.

For the student's final fieldwork rotation, Program Director **Zeni Cathey** challenged Potter and McAlister to think of a way to get patients involved and out of their rooms during the day. Potter and McAlister wanted to take it a step further and come up with an activity that anyone [Tech, CNA, family member] could do with patients, not just a therapist.

Learning about this project idea during our mid-affiliation check-in, Student Programs Intern **Kailin Leisure** wanted to reach out to Potter and McAlister to learn more about what these students were up to. Potter and McAlister created nine "activity bags" including bingo, dominos, painting, cards, jewelry making and more. The activity bags include instructions and all materials needed to participate in the activity. Potter commented, "The activity bags are a way for patients to

engage with each other, spend time outside of their rooms and promote quicker healing since they are off socializing and getting important human interaction, aside from therapy." McAlister added, "the activity bags are not only a way to get social interaction, but a way to have fun and interact with those who are in a similar situation." Kailin wanted to know what inspired this project. Potter responded by saying, "My favorite part has been interacting with the patients, getting to know them, getting to know their life stories." McAlister added, "The family environment at Kindred -- the therapists all work together."

We also wanted to check in with the student's fieldwork supervisor, **Frank Montegue**, who did nothing short of rave about both Potter and McAlister as well as their college's program saying, "I wish I could take the credit for it, but besides their own perseverance, it is the outstanding Lone Star College program which is to blame for all the great students who do their internships here at Kindred." Amy and Markesta also shared some words of praise for Frank, saying "Frank is THE BEST and gave us the freedom to learn, try things, succeed or not succeed."

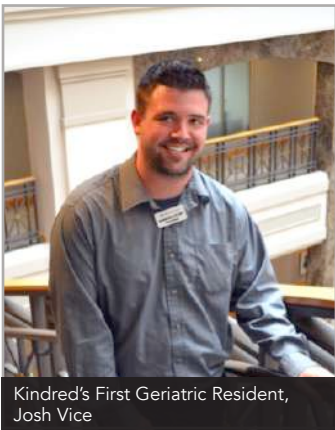
Congratulations Amy and Markesta on completing your final fieldwork rotation, as well as graduating from Lone Star College OTA program in August! A big thank you to Zeni, Frank, and all those at Kindred for creating a great learning environment for our student therapists. Your dedication to student education is so appreciated!
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An example of an activity bag created by Potter and McAlister

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Kindred's First Geriatric Resident,
Josh Vice

Developing Advanced Practitioners: Kindred's First Geriatric Resident

In June 2016, one of Kindred's exceptional clinicians, **Josh Vice**, DPT, began his participation in Kindred's first PT Geriatric Residency Program in partnership with Bellarmine University. This post-professional program will occur after the graduate therapist has obtained a

license to practice. In Josh's case, he has served as a physical therapist for nearly eight years. With much experience under his belt, Josh entered this program excited and confident. Since the start of the program, Josh has been named adjunct faculty at Bellarmine, passed his final exam and received a certificate of completion from the program. After a year of hard work and dedication, Josh is preparing to sit for his Geriatric Specialty Certification (GSC) in March 2018.

Kindred's Geriatric Residency Program, in affiliation with Bellarmine University, is a program developed to establish a reputation for clinical quality. Our goal is to advance clinical knowledge and practice, enhance teaching skills and create a pool of better prepared clinicians to meet the demands of the future. The residency program must be completed with a minimum of 1,500 hours, and 150 of these hours must be mentored observation.

We would like to thank Josh for his devotion to the field of physical therapy and wish him the best of luck in preparing to obtain his Geriatric Specialty Certification (GSC). Your future certainly looks bright! **#TheFutureLooksBright**



Jessica Formea, Janel Olson and Brooke Mueller. Not pictured: Beth Findlay

Rehabilitation Hospital of Wisconsin: A Dedicated Community Partner

"It's quite common to see two speech pathology students in the building every semester!" says **Katie Levenhagen** MS/CCC SLP, Director of Rehabilitation Services at the **Rehabilitation Hospital of Wisconsin**, when we connected with her

about her team's recent award. This past July, the speech pathology team at the hospital was awarded the Community Partnership Award from the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee! This award is given once a year to a community recipient who provided a beneficial and strong partnership with the University. This award was given in recognition of the hospital's connection with the university's speech pathology student clinicians. The Rehabilitation Hospital of Wisconsin has been dedicated in assisting, teaching and developing strong, independent student clinicians from the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee over the years.

A big THANK YOU and CONGRATULATIONS to the speech pathology team at the Rehabilitation Hospital of Wisconsin! We are so excited that your dedication and support of student programs is being recognized. You are very much appreciated!

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I have learned skills and treatments not taught in school and have gained confidence as a therapist.

- Erika, SPTA at Clarkson College - Omaha, NE

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I am in my third week of a ten-week clinical rotation and can't say enough good things about this experience. I'm learning so much about rehab settings, great documentation, time management, excellent patient care and working with other disciplines! I can only hope my other clinical rotations are this great!”

- Cheri
SPT, Wichita State University
- RehabCare, Derby, KS

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Prior to this clinical, I hadn't any experience at a SNF before. Over 8 weeks, I learned so much about how they operate and how to treat patients in a SNF. Every therapist at Nansemond Pointe went above and beyond to teach me.

- Erin
- SPT, University of North Florida
- Kindred Transitional Care and Rehab –
Nansemond Pointe

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The entire therapy department at WHC is wonderful! I loved working with the patients and I feel ready to become an Occupational Therapist. I could not have asked for a better placement

- Mary, OTS, Chatham University
- RehabCare, Wexford, PA

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- 9/8/17 : Kentucky Physical Therapy Association • Student Conclave • PT/PTA • Bowling Green, KY
- 9/8/17 : University of Tennessee Health Sciences • Career Fair • OT/PT • Memphis, TN
- 9/11/17 : Saint Louis University • Career Fair • PT/OT • Saint Louis, MO
- 9/14/17 : Eastern Carolina University • Career Fair • PT/OT/SLP • Greenville, NC
- 9/20/17 : Shawnee State University • Guest Lecture • OTA • Portsmouth, OH
- 9/25/17 : Thomas Jefferson University • Career Fair • PT/OT • Philadelphia, PA
- 10/3/17 : University of Missouri • Career Fair • PT/OT/SLP • Columbia, MO
- 10/4/17 : Maryville University • Career Fair • PT/OT/SLP/Nursing • Saint Louis, MO
- 10/6/17 : University of Nebraska • Career Fair • PT • Omaha, NE
- 10/7/17 : Virginia Physical Therapy Association • Student Conclave • PT/PTA • Newport News, VA
- 10/9/17 : Missouri State University • Career Fair • PT/OT/SLP • Springfield, MO
- 10/12/17 : University of Louisiana • Career Fair • PT/OT/SLP • Monroe, LA
- 10/16/17 : University of South Carolina • Career Fair • PT/OT/SLP • Columbia, SC
- 10/17/17 : University of Evansville • Career Fair • PT/PTA • Evansville, IN
- 10/17/17 : Texas Tech University • Career Fair • PT/OT/SLP • Lubbock, TX
- 10/18/17 : Association of Schools of Allied Health Professions • Fall Conference • San Antonio, TX
- 10/19/17 : Carroll Community College • Career Fair • PTA • Westminster, MD
- 10/19/17 : APTA National Student Conclave • National Conference • PT/PTA • Portland, OR
- 10/25/17 : University of Miami • Career Fair • PT/OT • Miami, FL
- 10/25/17 : University of Central Arkansas • Career Fair • PT/OT/SLP • Conway, AR
- 10/26/17 : Belmont University • Career Fair • PT/OT • Nashville, TN
- 10/26/17 : University of North Florida • Career Fair • PT • Jacksonville, FL
- 10/27/17 : Loma Linda University • Career Fair • PT/OT/PTA/SLP • Loma Linda, CA
- 11/3/17 : AOTA National Student Conclave • National Conference • OT/OTA • Birmingham, AL
- 11/8/17 : Association of Rehab Nurses Conference • National Conference • Nursing • Seattle, WA
- 11/9/17 : ASHA Annual Conference • National Conference • SLP • Los Angeles, CA
- 12/7/2017 : Partnership with Marquette University Event • CEU Opportunity • All disciplines • Wauwatosa, WI

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