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Foundation for Physical Therapy Announces Partnership With CAL-PT-FUND to Support Physical Therapy Research

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ALEXANDRIA, VA, (September 14, 2012) – The Foundation for Physical Therapy is pleased to announce a partnership with CAL-PT-FUND. Through this partnership, the CAL-PT-FUND will help offset the costs of grants and scholarships awarded by the Foundation for Physical Therapy to residents of California.

“We are pleased to partner with the CAL PT-FUND and appreciate their support of Foundation funding recipients,” said Foundation Board of Trustees President William G. Boissonault, PT, DPT, DHSc, FAPTA, FAAOMPT. “Our peer review process involves top physical therapist scientists from different areas of practice who meet strict criteria to serve on our Scientific Review Committee. They carry out an in-depth review of the applications and identify the best-qualified researchers and scholars. This new collaboration gives the CAL PT-FUND the option to support PODS scholarships, fellowships, and grant recipients from the state of California that the Foundation Board of Trustees has determined merit funding.”

The first beneficiary of this partnership is Sarah Gilliland, PT, DPT, from the University of California, Irvine, who recently received a Promotion for Doctoral Studies (PODS) I Scholarship from the Foundation for Physical Therapy.

“This partnership is a win-win for physical therapy research” says Christopher Powers, PT, PhD, FAPTA, president of the CAL-PT-FUND. “Through this agreement, we can provide a more meaningful contribution to the advancement of evidence-based physical therapist practice.”

The Foundation for Physical Therapy was established in 1979 as a national, independent, nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the quality and delivery of physical therapy care by providing support for scientifically based and clinically relevant physical therapy research, and doctoral scholarships and fellowships.

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