CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education:

Doctor of Philosophy in Pediatric Science

Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions, Provo, UT

Committee Chair: Jane K. Sweeney PT, PhD, FAPTA

Dissertation Title: Pain, Walking Activity, and Participation in Children with Sickle Cell

Disease. A Cross-sectional Descriptive Study.

Degree conferred- August 2019

Doctor of Physical Therapy

A.T. Still University of Health Sciences, Mesa, AZ Degree conferred- August 2005

Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy

Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, Georgia, Degree conferred- June 1996

Associate of Science in Physical Therapist Assistant

Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, Georgia, Degree conferred- September 1990

Licensure Information:

Georgia Physical Therapy License: #00517

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Health Care Provider Identifier

National Provider Number-1245441211

Tankersley, J. Revised 2/17/2020

Certifications:

American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties:

Board-Certified Specialist in Pediatric Physical Therapy, May 19, 2008 – June 30, 2018. Recertified July 1, 2018-June 30, 2028.

American Physical Therapy Association (APTA):

Credentialed Clinical Instructor: effective 6/13/2010. Does not expire.

American Heart Association Basic Life Support (CPR and AED) Program:

BLS Provider. Renewal 06/2021

Employment and Positions Held:

Academic Appointments:

July 2020 – present

Augusta University*

Associate Professor and Assistant Dean of Clinical Practice- College of Allied Health Sciences

Director of Clinical Education- Department of Physical Therapy

April 2020- present

Augusta University*

Assistant Professor and Assistant Dean of Clinical Practice- College of Allied Health Sciences

Director of Clinical Education- Department of Physical Therapy

May 2011 - present

Augusta University*

Assistant Professor and Director of Clinical Education- Department of Physical Therapy

May 2005 - May 2011

Georgia Health Sciences University*

Assistant Professor- Department of Physical Therapy

July 1999 – May 2005

Medical College of Georgia*

Instructor- Department of Physical Therapy

Clinical Appointments/Experience:

2011- present

AU Health Professions Associates:

Augusta University Medical Associates. Augusta, Ga: Physical Therapist-Faculty Practice PRN. Cover Executive wellness clinic providing fitness assessments.

AUHealth Augusta University Medical Center. Augusta, Ga: Physical Therapist-Faculty Practice PRN. Cover adult hemophilia clinic, conduct wheelchair seating evaluations, and patient care as needed.

AUHealth Children's Hospital of Georgia. Augusta, Ga: Physical Therapist-Faculty Practice PRN. Practice in outpatient and inpatient pediatric settings as needed.

2009-2010

Sensational Kids Pediatric Rehabilitation. Martinez, Ga.: Physical Therapist-Faculty Practice PRN. Practice in pediatric outpatient setting.

2006-2008

Richmond County Board of Education. Augusta, Ga.: Physical Therapist-Faculty Practice. Part-time. Practice in pediatric school system setting.

1999-2005

JBT Physical Therapy, Inc. Appling, Georgia. Owner, President/CEO, Physical Therapist. Practice in pediatric outpatient, school system and home health settings.

1998-1999

Independent Physical Therapist Contractor. Augusta, Georgia. Practice in pediatric outpatient and school system settings. Practice in skilled nursing and prison system settings.

1993-1998

Pediatric Therapy, Inc. North Augusta, South Carolina. Physical Therapist. Practice in pediatric outpatient, school system and home health settings. From September 1993 – June 1996, I worked as a Physical Therapist Assistant. Practice in pediatric outpatient, school system and home health settings.

1990-1993

University Hospital. Augusta, Georgia. Physical Therapist Assistant. Practice in adult acute care, adult outpatient, and pediatric outpatient settings.

Peer Reviewed Publications:

Tankersley, J., Sweeney, J., Bjornson, K., Gibson, R. Absenteeism, quality of life and participation in children with sickle cell disease. A systematic review. *American Journal of Hematology*. Submitted November 2019. Under review.

Tankersley J, Lunnen KY. Pediatric Diagnoses. In: Compendium of Common Adult and Pediatric Neuromuscular Diagnoses. In: Fell, DW, Lunnen, KY, Rauk, RP. *Lifespan Neurorehabilitation: A Patient-Centered Approach from Examination to Interventions and Outcomes*. Philadelphia, PA: F.A. Davis; 2018. https://davisplus.fadavis.com.

Peer Reviewed Scientific and Professional Presentations:

- **Tankersley, J.**, Sweeney, J., Bjornson, K., Gibson, R., Clay, L. Relationship of Pain Frequency, Walking Activity, and Participation Among Children with Sickle Cell Disease. Poster Presentation. 2020 Combined Sections Meeting of the American Physical Therapy Association. Denver, CO. February 15, 2020.
- **Tankersley, J.**, Truluck, K. Anti-Gravity Treadmill Use in an Adult with Severe Hemophilic Arthropathy: A Case Report. Poster Presentation. 2020 Combined Sections Meeting of the American Physical Therapy Association. Denver, CO. February 15, 2020.
- **Tankersley, J.**, Sweeney, J., Bjornson, K., Gibson, R., Clay, J. "Relationship of Pain Frequency, Walking Activity, and Participation among Children with Sickle Cell Disease. Platform presentation. 2019 Faculty and Student Scholarship Symposium. Provo, UT. August 9, 2019.
- Chatto, C. and **Tankersley, J**. "Global Health Has No Boundaries". Poster Presentation Combined Sections of the APTA National Conference 2018. Global Health Special Interest Group. New Orleans, La. Feb. 23, 2018.
- **Tankersley, J.** "Physical Therapy Management of the Patient with Hemophilia across the Lifespan". Hemophilia State Comprehensive Care Meeting, Hemophilia of Georgia, Stone Mountain, Ga. March 4, 2016.
- **Tankersley, J.** "Early Clinical Immersion". Best Practices in GRU Health Sciences Education. Invited presentation during Health Sciences Education Week. Office of Faculty Development. March 16, 2015.
- Chatto, C. and **Tankersley**, **J**. "The Development of a Physical Therapy Education Program in Haiti: Steps along an Unfinished Journey" Poster presentation, National Association of International Educators Conference, San Diego, CA, May 29, 2014.
- Minor, T. Miller, K. **Tankersley, J.** Cortez-Cooper, M. "Wii Exercise Program for a child with bilateral patellar release and developmental coordination disorder: A case study" Studentmentored poster presentation, Physical Therapy Association of Georgia Fall Meeting, Dahlonega, GA, 2011.
- **Tankersley, J.** "From Surgical/Medical Intervention to the School or Clinic: Next Steps in Spasticity Management". Bridging the Gap for Medically Fragile Children Conference, MCG Health Children's Medical Center, Augusta, Ga. Invited speaker, January 19, 2009.
- **Tankersley, J.** Wiedmeier, D. Laird, K. "OT and PT in the S/PID Classroom". Georgia Learning Resources System 2003 Educator's Conference, Augusta, Ga. Invited Speaker,
- **Tankersley, J.** "Myofascial Release and Joint Mobilization: Pediatric Applications". Georgia Association of School Occupational and Physical Therapist's Clinician Conference, Kennesaw, Ga. Invited Speaker. October 6, 2000.

Funded Grant Activity:

Tankersley, J. Equipment grant for the Physical Therapy Faculty/Student pro bono clinic at Christ Community Health Services. Awarded \$8000.00 from Walton Foundation for Independence. October 2019.

Tankersley, J. Equipment grant for MSKUS unit and tablet to support research and patient care for patients with hemophilia. Awarded \$16,500 from Hemophilia of Georgia. July 2018.

Tankersley, J. Travel grant to attend training in musculoskeletal ultrasound in hemophilia. Awarded \$2400 from Hemophilia of Georgia. March 30, 2018.

Tankersley, J. Training grant for musculoskeletal ultrasound in hemophilia. Awarded \$2250 from the Hemophilia and Thrombosis Treatment Center at UC San Diego Health. February 2018.

Tankersley, J. Pain, Activity and Participation in Children with Sickle Cell Disease. A Cross-sectional Descriptive Study. Awarded \$2,992.12 from Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions Foundation. 2016-2017.

In Review Grant Activity:

Chatto, C. and **Tankersley, J.** The Development of a Physical Therapist Degree Program: A Collaborative Initiative with Université Notre Dame d'Haïti and Augusta University. U. S. Department of State. \$23,000. Submitted July 2019.

Current/Active Research:

Primary Investigator. Pain, Activity and Participation in Children with Sickle Cell Disease. A Cross-sectional Descriptive Study. Publishing results. External grant funding.

Primary Investigator. Rehabilitation of Patients with Severe Hemophilic Arthropathy: A Case Series. In process.

Membership in Scientific/Professional Organizations:

American Physical Therapy Association. 1989 - present. Member.

Pediatrics Section Member: All SIG's

Education Section Member: Clinical Education SIG

Health Policy and Administration Section Member: Global Health SIG

Physical Therapy Association of Georgia

1989 - present. Member.

2011- 2013. Nominating Committee Member

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2010-2011. District Chairperson 2005-2011. Co-Director of District 5

Alpha Eta Honor Society. May 2013-present. Member

Neuro-Developmental Treatment Association. 2010-2015 and 2020- present. Member.

NAFSA: Association of International Educators. 2013 - 2016. Member.

Consultative and Advisory Positions Held:

Reviewer. Pediatric Physical Therapy. Journal of the Academy of Pediatric Physical Therapy of the American Physical Therapy Association. 2014-present.

Reviewer. Physiotherapy Theory and Practice. An International Journal of Physical Therapy. 2018-present.

Community Service:

Local:

Coordinator of the DPT faculty/student pro bono clinic at Christ Community Health Services. July 2012 – present.

AU Sickle Cell Teen Clinic. Present at SCD teen clinic when requested on "Physical Activity and Exercise for Teens with Sickle Cell Disease". 2017 to present.

American Association of Adaptive Sports Programs, Augusta, Ga, 2000 - present. Regional Classifier

Board member for the Camp Ivey special needs camp through the YMCA. August 2015-2018.

Member of the Healthcare Advisory Committee for Columbia County High Schools. September 2015-2016.

Regional:

Treasurer, Georgia Consortium of Clinical Educators. The GCCE is made up of all accredited PT and PTA programs in the state of GA. The purpose of the Georgia Consortium of Clinical Educators is to support physical therapists and physical therapist assistants, working in the academic or clinical arenas, in the provision of excellent clinical education for students of Georgia Physical Therapy and Physical Therapist Assistant programs. July 2014-present.

National Disability Sports Alliance (NDSA). 2000 – 2018. Regional Classifier

Member and Secretary, Graduate Student Council, Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions. Appointed to represent the PhD in Pediatric Science cohort to the Graduate Student Council. September 2012-December 2015.

National/International:

Member, Research Committee of the Neuro-Developmental Treatment Association (NDTA). April 2020 – present. The Research Committee is dedicated to facilitating the conduct of research and the dissemination of research findings relating to NDT.

Physical Therapist: Global Therapy Group. Physiotherapy Clinic. Freres, Haiti. April 10-April 18, 2015: Provided pro-bono physical therapy evaluation, treatment, and education in the outpatient clinic for primarily pediatric clients. Provided clinical mentoring for three DPT students. Held collaborative meetings with leaders and educators at Université Notre Dame d'Haïti to advance physical therapy education and the physical therapy profession in Haiti.

Physical Therapist: Global Therapy Group. Physiotherapy Clinic. Freres, Haiti. April 11-April 25, 2014: Provided pro-bono physical therapy evaluation, treatment, and education in the outpatient clinic for primarily pediatric clients. Provided clinical mentoring for two DPT students. Held collaborative meetings with leaders and educators at Université Notre Dame d'Haïti to advance physical therapy education and the physical therapy profession in Haiti.

Physical Therapist: Global Therapy Group. Physiotherapy Clinic. Pétion-ville, Haiti. October 5, 2012-October 19, 2012: Provided pro-bono physical therapy evaluation, treatment, and education in the outpatient clinic for pediatric and adult clients. Explored feasibility for graduate physical therapy education at University Quisqueya in Port Au Prince.

Physical Therapist: Global Therapy Group. L'Hôpital de la Communauté Haïtienne (Haitian Community Hospital). Frères, Haiti. May 21, 2011- June 4, 2011: Provided pro-bono physical therapy evaluation, treatment, and education in the acute care hospital, outpatient clinic and nursing home.

<u>Service to the University/College/School on Committees/Councils/Commissions:</u>

Augusta University

October 2019- present. Member. Faculty Workload Task Force- Clinical & Faculty Practice Workgroup. Appointed by the Provost after nomination by the Dean of the CAHS to represent the CAHS on this committee. Provost Gretchen Caughman convened a task force to examine faculty workload at Augusta University. The primary goal of this effort is to develop recommendations for an institutional framework for faculty workload

and to identify next steps in developing and implementing processes, procedures, and policies for assigning and managing workload.

January 2013- present. Member. AU Institutional Study Abroad Committee. Appointed by the Dean of the College of Allied Health Sciences to represent the College on this committee. Developed guidelines for individual student travel, oversee study abroad department, evaluate study abroad faculty proposals.

July 2013-June 2019. Member. Audit, Compliance and Enterprise Risk Management Committee of the Augusta University Health System Board. Appointed by AU University President to serve on this committee that oversees the audit, compliance and risk management duties of the entire enterprise (University, Medical Center and Physicians Practice Group).

December 2013 – April 2014. Member. AU Vision Committee. Appointed by the Provost to represent the CAHS on this committee formed to develop a "Vision 2030" for the University. This included developing a white paper, making speaker recommendations, and presenting to the AU Board of Visitors. Committee met weekly.

July 2012-June 2014. Member. Board of Directors. Augusta University Health System Board. Elected by Institution-wide faculty vote to represent the faculty on the AUHS board for a two-year term.

AU College of Allied Health Sciences

President, AU Health Professions Associates, Inc. Elected by the AUHPA Board to serve as President of the faculty practice plan. September, 2018- present.

Board Member AU Health Professions Associates, Inc. Appointed by Dean of CAHS. September, 2018- present. Three year term.

College of Allied Health Sciences representative to the AU Faculty Senate Governance & Communications Committee. Appointed by Dean of CAHS. April 2018 – present.

Member, Allied Health Sciences Practice Plan, Audit, Compliance and Enterprise Risk Management Committee, a subcommittee of the AU Health System ACERM committee. April 2016 – April 2018.

Chair, AU College of Allied Health Sciences Global Health Committee. Appointed by the Dean of the CAHS to be the founding chair of this new committee. Guide the strategic planning and development of the college's global health initiatives. July 2013 – 2017.

Member. AU College of Allied Health Sciences Strategic Planning Committee. Helped developed a 5-year strategic plan for the college. 2011-2013.

AU Department of Physical Therapy

Director, Developing Pediatric Residency in coordination with CHOG. 1/2020-present.

Chair, AU, Department of Physical Therapy, Faculty Search Committee. 2019-present.

Chair, AU, Department of Physical Therapy, Clinical Education Committee. 2011-present.

Member, AU, Department of Physical Therapy, Clinical Education Committee. 2006-Present.

Member AU, Department of Physical Therapy, Curriculum Committee. 2011 - 2019.

Member AU, Department of Physical Therapy, Advisory Committee. 2009 - 2018.

Chair, AU, Department of Physical Therapy, Curriculum Committee. 2016-2018.

Chair, AU, Department of Physical Therapy, Faculty Search Committee. 2016-2018.

Chair, AU, Department of Physical Therapy, Service Committee. 2011-2015.

Member, AU, Department of Physical Therapy, Service Committee. 2008-2017.

Member, GHSU, Department of Physical Therapy, Faculty Search Committee. 2007-2011.

Member, GHSU, Department of Physical Therapy, Student Affairs Committee. 2007-2009.

Member, GHSU, Department of Physical Therapy, Admissions Committee. 2005-2007.

Honors and Awards:

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, Augusta University chapter. Inducted in April, 2020. Phi Kappa Phi was founded in 1897, at the University of Maine, and is the nation's oldest and most selective multidisciplinary honor society. Membership for faculty and staff is based on nomination by peers who already are members.

CAHS Distinguished Service Award. The CAHS Distinguished Service Award is presented to a faculty member who has made a significant contribution toward meeting the goals of the college. July, 2018.

AU Scholarly Activity Award. This award program supports faculty professional development by providing awards to facilitate scholarly projects that lead to public, peer-reviewed products. Office of Faculty Development and Teaching Excellence. May 1, 2018.

Richard P. Nielsen Student Service Award. The Richard P. Nielsen Student Service Award is the highest honor a Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions student may receive for distinguished service to the University, community, and/or his/her profession. August, 2014.

Georgia Regents University*, College of Allied Health Sciences Distinguished Alumnus for Loyalty Alumni Award. April, 2013.

Alpha Eta Honor Society, Augusta University Chapter. Inducted in May, 2013. Alpha Eta is the National Honor Society of the Allied Health Professions whose members represent the top ten percent of graduates of Allied Health Schools and Colleges.

Continuing Education Attended: (Last 5 years)

- NAFSA: Association of International Educators Annual Conference and Colloquium on Internationalizing Medical Campuses, St. Louis, Mo., May 26 May 31, 2013.
- Combined Sections Meeting of the APTA, Las Vegas, NV. Feb. 3-6, 2014
- NAFSA: Association of International Educators Annual Conference and Colloquium on Internationalizing Education for the Health Professions, San Diego, CA., May 26 – May 30, 2014.
- Education Leadership Conference 2014, Kansas City, MO. Oct. 10-11, 2014.
- Education Leadership Conference 2015, Baltimore, MD. Oct. 2-4, 2015.
- NDT/Bobath Certificate Course in the Management and Treatment of Children with Cerebral Palsy and Other Neuromotor Disorders, Augusta, GA., March November 2015. Contact Hours: 263.
- Ethics & Jurisprudence Georgia Physical Therapy. Dec. 9, 2015. Contact Hours: 4.
- Combined Sections Meeting of the APTA, Anaheim, CA. Feb. 17-20, 2016
- The First Annual Symposium of the Georgia Consortium of Clinical Educators. Atlanta, GA. February 27, 2016.
- Education Leadership Conference 2016, Phoenix, Az. Oct. 7-9, 2016.
- Combined Sections Meeting of the APTA, San Antonio, TX. Feb. 15-18, 2017.
- The 2nd Annual Symposium of the Georgia Consortium of Clinical Educators. Macon, Ga. March 4, 2017.
- Southeast Regional Bleeding Disorders Conference. Lago Mar, FL. May 21-23, 2017.
- CAPTE Writing Workshop for Self-study Report. Columbus, OH. Oct. 11-12, 2017.
- Education Leadership Conference 2017, Columbus, OH. Oct. 13-15, 2017.
- Ethics & Jurisprudence Georgia Physical Therapy. Dec. 12, 2017. Contact Hours: 4.
- Combined Sections Meeting of the APTA, New Orleans, LA. Feb. 21-24, 2018.
- The 3rd Annual Symposium of the Georgia Consortium of Clinical Educators. Augusta, Ga. March 24, 2018.
- Southeast Regional Bleeding Disorders Conference. Fort Lauderdale, FL. April 15-17, 2018.
- Education Leadership Conference of the APTA, Jacksonville, FL. Oct. 11-14, 2018.
- Musculoskeletal Ultrasound in Hemophilia at the Hemophilia & Thrombosis
 Treatment Center at UC San Diego Health in San Diego, CA on December 05-07,
 2018. This activity was designated for 19.75 AMA PRA Category 1 CreditsTM.

- Combined Sections Meeting of the APTA, Washington, DC, Jan. 23-26, 2019.
- Physical Therapy Association of Georgia. Level 1 and 2 Leadership Academy. Atlanta, Ga. March 22-23, 2019. 8 contact hours.
- Preparing the 21st Century Student: Mentoring to Improve Emotional Health. Atlanta, Ga. April 27, 2019. 6.5 contact hours.
- Southeast Regional Bleeding Disorders Conf. Ft. Lauderdale, FL. April 28-30, 2019.
- Georgia Ethics & Jurisprudence 2019 Updates. Augusta, GA. Oct. 15, 2019. 4 contact hours.
- Education Leadership Conference of the APTA, Bellevue, WA. Oct. 17-20, 2019.

CURRENT TEACHING RESPONSIBLITIES: AU Entry-Level DPT Program

Fall	Credits		
PTHP 7222	.25	Foundations of Physical Therapy	Course Faculty
PTHP 7202	.25	Research 2	Research Advisor
PTHP 8204	.25	Research 4	Research Advisor
PTHP 9292	16	Clinical Experience II	Course Coordinator
	1	PPE2: Clinical Immersion*	DCE
<u>Spring</u>			
PTHP 7303	.25	Research 3	Research Advisor
PTHP 8305	.25	Research 5	Research Advisor
PTHP 9393	12	Clinical Experience III	Course Coordinator
	1	PPE3: Clinical Immersion*	DCE
Summer			
PTHP 8191	8	Clinical Experience I	Course Coordinator
PTHP 9152	4	Pediatrics	Course Coordinator
PTHP 9106	.25	Research 6	Research Advisor
	1	PPE1/PPE6: Clinical Immersion*	DCE

Total Credits: 44.5/year

AU Student Mentored Research Projects:

McClure, S., **Tankersley, J.** Influence of Pain on Walking Activity and School Participation in a child with Sickle Cell Disease. A Case Report. Augusta University Research Platform and Poster Presentation. July, 2019.

Tankersley, J., Truluck, K. Anti-Gravity Treadmill Use in an Adult with Severe Hemophilic Arthropathy: A Case Report. Augusta University Research Platform and Poster Presentation. July, 2019.

^{*}Coordinator of the AU DPT faculty/student pro bono clinic at Christ Community Health Services. July 2012 – present.

- Thompson, C. and **Tankersley, J.** Factors that Influence the Ability of a Teenager with Ataxic Cerebral Palsy to Drive: A Case Study. Augusta University Research Platform and Poster Presentation. July, 2016.
- Hale, M. Sadow, A. **Tankersley, J.** Indoor Wall Climbing as an Intervention for Motor Impairments in Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Georgia Regents University Research Platform and Poster Presentation. July, 2013.
- Baum, A, Rudder, K, **Tankersley, J.** The Effectiveness of Oral-Motor Stimulation for Successful Independent Eating in Premature Infants: A Case Report. Georgia Health Sciences University Research Platform and Poster Presentation. July, 2013.
- Rieger, A. Wehner, M. **Tankersley, J.** Collica, C. Effects of intensive therapy intervention on walking in a child with Cerebral Palsy. Georgia Regents University Research Platform and Poster Presentation. July, 2013.
- **Tankersley, J.** Buckner, J. Edwards, L. O'Neal, C. Vick, K. Collica, C. Effects of Sensory Integration, Balance and Gait Training on Pediatric Motor Development: A Case Report. Georgia Health Sciences University Research Platform and Poster Presentation. July, 2012.
- Boyd, S. Troiano, M. Akinwuntan, A. **Tankersley, J.** Case Study: Global Dyspraxia through the Years, a Retrospective Look. Georgia Health Sciences University Research Platform and Poster Presentation. July, 2012.
- Gilstrap, E. Golden, E. **Tankersley, J.** Vo-Booker, H. Pfeiffer Syndrome: A Case Report. Medical College of Georgia Research Platform Presentation. July, 2009.
- McKinney, K. Weidner, C. Young, J. **Tankersley, J.** Retrospective Case Study Evaluation of Conventional Versus Delayed Treatment of Congenital Talipes Equinovarus. Medical College of Georgia Research Platform Presentation. July, 2009.
- Ireland, C. Shields, C. **Tankersley, J.** Lause, C. Treatment Interventions for Developmental Delays in a Child Diagnosed With Beckwith Wiedemann Syndrome: A Case Report. Medical College of Georgia Research Platform Presentation. July, 2008.
- Eddy, K. **Tankersley, J.** Collica, C. Lause, C. The Effect of Body Supported Treadmill Training on Lower Extremity Motor Function in a 3 year old with Spastic Quadriplegia: A Case Report. Medical College of Georgia Research Platform Presentation. July, 2008.

^{*}Medical College of Georgia became Georgia Health Science University in 2011, was renamed Georgia Regents University in 2013 following the merger with

Augusta State University, and was renamed Augusta University in December, 2015.