

News in brief

Haiti earthquake

Physical therapists are in the thick of helping survivors of the Haiti earthquake. You can read about the experiences of some volunteer physical therapists working at the Hôpital Albert Schweitzer at <http://drgulas.com>. Handicap International is calling for volunteer physical therapists to help at the disaster zone. If you are interested and available for a quick start, contact them at emergency@handicap.be. Keep your eye on the WCPT website www.wcpt.org for further news and updates in the coming weeks.

Comments please

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Visas – prepare early

With the WCPT Congress in Amsterdam now just 18 months away, WCPT is urging those who wish to attend to check their visa requirements, and to start their applications for visas as soon as possible. In 2007, around 50 delegates due to attend the WCPT Congress in Vancouver were unable to make it because their visa requests were turned down. Representatives from Nigeria, Afghanistan, Iran and other countries were affected.

Pubmed success

The journal of the Canadian Physiotherapy Association, Physiotherapy Canada, has been accepted into the PubMed Central (PMC) index. PMC is managed by the prestigious National Institutes of Health as a free digital archive of the best available biomedical and life sciences journals. To be accepted into PMC, Physiotherapy Canada had to meet strict scientific quality standards and demonstrate its relevance as an essential evidence-based journal in physical therapy.