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World Physical Therapy physiothérapie mondiale 2007

Dear colleagues and friends,

Welcome to this special edition of news you can use on World Physical Therapy 2007. In these pages, you will discover what you can learn and why our 2007 congress destination – the city of Vancouver, British Columbia – is celebrated within Canada and around the world as a business and vacation destination.

Read on to learn about the scientific programme. See how the congress experience has been strengthened by the International Scientific Committee. Explore the congress destination and engage in the idea of expanded horizons for physical therapy, the world over.

Attend the World Confederation for Physical Therapy's 15th International Congress, hosted by the Canadian Physiotherapy Association. You are welcome here!



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Business As Pleasure

According to *The Economist* magazine's 2006 world business travel survey, the city of Vancouver is the world's best destination for business, offering the right mix of culture, environment and amenities, without being too expensive.

World Class Convention Centre

The hub for activity at Congress 2007 will be the Vancouver Convention & Exhibition Centre. This facility will welcome you from the moment you see its soaring sails to your departure from its ocean-view lobby. The main building was erected in 1987 for an Expo event and, to give you fair warning of its size, the centre covers some 150,000 square feet on two levels. We're forecasting healthy pedometer counts for this congress – walking through the conference site once will result in a count of 60,000 steps.

All recommended accommodations for congress are within a 20-minute walk of the convention centre. The only exception being the lovely University of British Columbia site, which can be accessed by a direct transit bus route.

Anytime walking is not convenient, enjoy a ride on Vancouver's public transit system, guaranteed to get you to events quickly and safely.

Jump Start For Networking

Above and beyond providing the best scientific programme anywhere in the world of physical therapy, World Physical Therapy 2007 is the meeting ground for physical therapists who want to share information, organise exchanges on professional matters, and network with international colleagues. Better yet, why not start now?

Enter the WCPT web based discussion forum at www.wcpt.org/smfforums/index, or join communication threads about any of the Congress Tracks:

1. Global Health
2. Professional Issues
3. Professional Practice
4. Education
5. Research & Development

If you have been to congress in the past, take time today to say hello and reconnect.

Clinic Doors Open For Visits

Space is limited, so register today if you want to visit a physical therapy clinic in Vancouver, Canada:

- Amputation
- Arthritis/Rheumatology
- Burns
- Cardiac
- Chronic Pain
- Clinical Research Lab
- General Orthopaedics
- Geriatric Rehabilitation
- Paediatrics
- Private Clinics
- Respiratory
- Spinal Cord Injury
- Stroke/Brain Injury
- Women's Health

See www.wcpt.org/congress/programme/clinicalvisits for information and web links to the 25 clinical visit destinations.

Abstract News

If your abstract is among the 2200+ received from 59 countries submitting abstracts for consideration for presentation at WCPT's 15th International Congress, your wait for word on acceptance will be over by **31 January 2007**. Good luck and thank you for your commitment to advancing physical therapy.



CONFERENCE HOTELS

- A Vancouver Conference & Exhibition Centre
- B Pan Pacific Vancouver
- C Fairmont Waterfront Hotel Vancouver
- D Four Seasons Hotel Vancouver
- E Fairmont Hotel Vancouver
- F The Westin Bayshore Vancouver
- G Delta Vancouver Suites
- H Hyatt Regency Vancouver
- I Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre
- J Renaissance Vancouver Hotel
- K Empire Landmark Hotel
- L Days Inn
- M Hampton Inn & Suites
- N Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Vancouver Downtown
- O Best Western Chateau Granville Vancouver
- P YWCA
- Q University of British Columbia (west, off map)



Keynotes That Inspire

Four experts will share their views on future directions in health, inspire and challenge the profession to look at itself from different perspectives:



Explore models of infrastructure to enhance research capacity in physical therapy with **Anthony Delitto** PhD, PT, FAPTA, Professor and Chairman of the Department of Physical Therapy at the University of Pittsburgh, USA, School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences, and Vice President for Education and Research at the Centers for Rehab Services.



Explore the complexities of craniofacial pain and cervical headaches with **Mariano Rocabado**, Dean of the Rehabilitation Science Faculty at the University of Andres Bello, Santiago de Chile, Head of Physical Therapy and Physical Medical Rehabilitation at Integramedica, Santiago, Chile, and Professor of Head Neck Biomechanics on the Post Graduate Orthodontic Programme, School of Dentistry, University of Chile.



Learn from The AIDS Support Organisation (TASO Uganda) community response to AIDS in Africa with **Noerine Kaleeba**, retired partnerships adviser to the United Nations agency UNAIDS. A physical therapist who specialised in orthopaedics and community rehabilitation at Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda, and the Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic Hospital, Oswestry, England.



Be inspired with internationally recognised leader in the disability community **Judith Heumann**, lifelong civil rights advocate for disadvantaged people. She was the World Bank's first Adviser on Disability and Development and US President Clinton's Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

Speaker bios are available at, www.wcpt.org/congress/programme/key and more topic information will be available soon!

Focused Symposia

These symposia will broaden your perspective. The symposium convener will lead delegates through a series of linked presentations, providing up-to-the-minute information and insights on future directions in physical therapy:

1. Breast Cancer, Convenor **Susan R. Harris**, Canada
2. Electrophysical Agents, Convenor **Ah-Cheng Goh**, Japan
3. Functional Electrical Stimulation, Convenor **Edelle Field-Fote**, USA
4. Gait Analysis and Training, Convenor **Janice Eng**, Canada
5. Global Health, Convenor **Elizabeth Dean**, Canada
6. Musculoskeletal RCTs, Convenor **Nadine Foster**, UK
7. Neuro: Upper Extremity Recovery, Convenor, **Mindy Levin**, Canada
8. Patellofemoral Pain Syndrome, Convenor **Erik Witvrouw**, Belgium
9. Physiotherapy Management, Convenor **Robert Jones**, UK
10. Pulmonary Rehabilitation, Convenor **Dina Brooks**, Canada

Go to www.wcpt.org/congress/programme/symposia for more information.

Debates & Discussion Panels

Don't miss the chance to join a lively debate on the **Scope of Practice** with speakers on opposing sides of arguments. As part of the audience, you will be given the chance to raise points and challenge speakers. At the end of debate and discussion periods, the audience will be asked to weigh the evidence for each side of the argument and vote on the issue, potentially producing a winner to the contest.

Up to six panellists from various parts of the world will be invited to contribute to discussion panel sessions, discussing key issues related to areas of international interest, including **Qualifying Education, the ICF, Standards and Specialisation**, and **Politics and Professional Autonomy**. Constructive controversy and discussion are welcome.

Look to www.wcpt.org/congress/programme/other for more details.

POP QUIZ

1. What city port serves more than 90 trading economies?
2. What city is known as Hollywood North?
3. What city ranks as the best destination for business?

Answer for all: Congress 2007 host city Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.



Workshops

Workshops will actively engage delegates with a range of learning formats that explore issues in depth. Discuss practice areas, problem-solve, learn new techniques, explore innovative ways of learning and further research and development:

1. Bone Health, Organiser **Marco Pang**, Hong Kong
2. Cardiac Rehabilitation, Organiser **Morag Thow**, UK
3. Cardiorespiratory Education, Organiser **Lawrence Cahalin**, USA
4. Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, Organiser **Jo Nijs**, Belgium
5. Clinical Databases, Organiser **Philip Van der Wees**, the Netherlands
6. Clinical Guidelines, Organiser **Philip Van der Wees**, the Netherlands
7. Conservative Management Of Neck Disorders, Organiser **Anita Gross**, Canada
8. Cross Cultural E-Learning, Organiser **Darlene Redenbach**, Canada
9. Differential Diagnosis, Organiser **Chad Cook**, USA
10. Moral Action, Organiser **Ruth Purtilo**, USA
11. Neuroscience, Organiser **Marilyn MacKay-Lyons**, Canada
12. Pelvic Floor, Organiser **Diane Lee**, Canada
13. Weaning ICU Patients, Organiser **Christiane Perme**, USA
14. Writing for Publication, Organisers, **Rob Herbert**, Australia; **Ann Moore**, UK

More than 50 practice leaders have been selected to present workshops that advance physical therapy. See details at www.wcpt.org/congress/programme/workshops.



IT'LL MOVE YOU!

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Walk The Seawall

Be sure to walk, run, ride or drive the Seawall boardwalk around Stanley Park at least once during your stay. It's part of any visitor's Vancouver experience and, as you'll see, a pleasurable daily activity for residents. It is possible to walk the complete Seawall boardwalk route at Stanley Park in two hours (at brisk pace). The Canadian Physiotherapy Association will host a daily running clinic during congress to give delegates the opportunity to join others along the Seawall.

Daily Exercise Programme

Visitors will notice that Vancouverites wear more sportswear than other Canadians. Why? Partly for coastal rain showers but, moreso, because the people of this city take every opportunity to walk, run, bike, sail, ski and move their bodies!

Maintain your healthy, active lifestyle in between lectures. To ensure that exercise is part of your congress experience, the Canadian Physiotherapy Association is organising a daily wellness programme. Participation is voluntary for a \$5 fee. All profits from the exercise programme will be donated to the Physiotherapy Foundation of Canada for physiotherapy research. Watch for location details in the onsite congress programme and choose between the running clinic, yoga and Tai Chi options. All levels welcome! All activities begin at 7:00 am daily.



SAVE YOUR MONEY!

Early Bird Registration

Save \$145 when you register for World Physical Therapy 2007 by February 28, 2007. If you are waiting for access to 2007 funds, make a note in your calendar to register quickly upon your return to work in the New Year.

Discount Flights

Remember that often there are significant advantages to booking flights early. Check for travel discounts now.



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Programme At A Glance – World Physical Therapy 2007 Preliminary Schedule (subject to change)

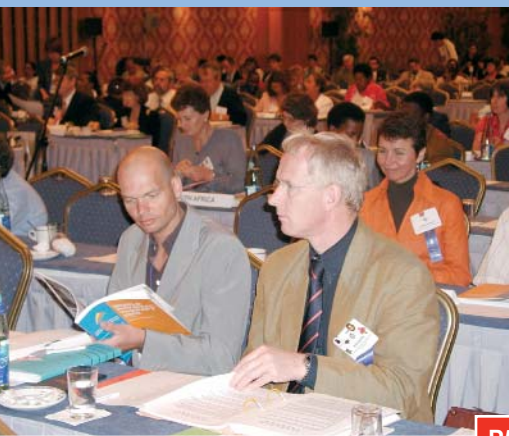
	SAT. JUNE 2	SUN. JUNE 3	MON. JUNE 4	TUES. JUNE 5	WED. JUNE 6
8:00 am	Congress Registration Opens Convention Centre 8:00 am - 4:30 pm		Exhibition Hall Opens Convention Centre	Exhibition Hall Opens Convention Centre	Exhibition Hall Opens Convention Centre
9:00 am		Congress Keynote Speaker 9:00 - 10:00 am	Congress Keynote Speaker 9:00 - 10:00 am	Congress Keynote Speaker 9:00 - 10:00 am	Congress Keynote Speaker 9:00 - 10:00 am
10:00 am		Scientific Programme 8:30 am - 6:30 pm	Scientific Programme 8:30 am - 6:30 pm	Scientific Programme 8:30 am - 6:30 pm	Scientific Programme 8:30 am - 3:45 pm
3:30 pm					Exhibition Hall Closes
4:00 pm					Closing Ceremonies Convention Centre 4:00 - 5:00 pm (free to all delegates)
5:00 pm			Happy Hour Reception Ticketed Event 5:00 - 6:30 pm (open to all delegates)		
6:30 pm					
7:00 pm	Opening Ceremonies BC Place Stadium 7:00 - 11:30 pm (free to all delegates)			Gala Dinner Dance Ticketed Event 7:00 pm - 12:00 midnight (open to all delegates)	

Notes: Pre- and post-congress courses take place on June 1-2, and June 7-8, 2007. Bookings for tours can also be made for dates pre- and post-congress. During congress, an excellent selection of optional daily tours and social events is offered. Please refer to the WCPT website for further details on these additional events at, www.wcpt.org/congress/social.

Pre-/Post-Programme Registration

Why not take a couple of extra days, either before or after congress, to take advantage of the wealth of expertise offered by international experts running courses? How about exploring the diagnosis and treatment of movement impairment syndromes with **Shirley Sahrman** from the USA? Perhaps an electrotherapy course on using stimulation, ultrasound and LASER with **Pamela Houghton, Ethne Nussbaum, Susan Michlovitz, Alison Hoens** and congress keynote speaker **Tony Delitto** will tempt you. How about attending the Focused Symposium on Functional Electrical Stimulation and following it with a course on its rehabilitation application with **Geraldine Mann, Jennifer Ann Robertson, Christine Singleton and Maura Whittaker**? There are 12 to choose from so take a look at www.wcpt.org/congress/courses.

Register online at www.meetingassistant.com/WCPT2007 and remember that your participation is contingent upon your registration for at least one day of the WCPT 15th International Congress programme.



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What To Wear?

June outdoor weather conditions in Vancouver are generally sunny and warm with mild-to-moderate winds and limited, intermittent coastal rainfall. The minimum daily temperature will be approximately 11 degrees Celsius and maximum, 19 degrees Celsius. Conference and hotel accommodations will be air-conditioned. Sunscreen is recommended for extended time outdoors.

June Weather Conditions

+	Maximum	19°C / 66°F
-	Minimum	11°C / 52°F
☔	Precipitation	46 mm / 1.8 in
☀	Sunshine	242 hrs



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VISITOR INFORMATION

Family Budget

If you are bringing family to Vancouver, they will want to get out and explore the city while you attend congress. Prepare to be amazed at what they experience, from the safety of a city transit bus, to just how far a single fare of \$2.25 can get you on Sky Train, the world's longest automated light rapid transit system. Learn more about the Vancouver transit system at, <http://www.translink.bc.ca>.

Vancouver is not considered a particularly expensive city to visit, however, you may be curious about exchange values. A number of cash converter tools are accessible online at no cost, e.g. <http://finance.yahoo.com/currency>.

Note that retail merchants will tend to charge higher rates than banks for exchange on international currency. Using Canadian dollars or Canadian currency traveller's cheques may be better value.

Day Trips And Vacations

WCPT recommends only proven tourism programmes through its Canadian meeting partners, Sea To Sky Meeting Management. Select the "social programme & tours" tab at www.wcpt.org/congress for detailed descriptions of pre- and post-congress vacation plans, day trip options, and access to coveted congress social events.

Day trips are offered each day of congress, taking delegates to the streets of Vancouver to experience its cultural diversity. One such example is the opportunity to enjoy the sights, sounds and smells of a cultural tour through Vancouver. Highlights include Chinatown and the Punjabi Market.

Time and budget permitting, why not treat yourself to an unforgettable excursion trip. Stay an extra day or two before or after congress for a train trip through the Rocky Mountains. This two-day Vancouver-to-Calgary rail ride has earned a prestigious global travel award, the "World's Leading Travel Experience By Train."

HAVE YOU HEARD?

No Tax. No Kidding!

International and host-country delegates attending congress will not be required to pay Canadian taxes on WCPT registration fees. For the uninitiated, that's a savings of 13% (7% provincial sales tax, plus 6% national goods and services tax).

Job Book

Physiotherapists and physiotherapy support workers seeking to practice in North America and elsewhere will want to seek out the Job Book at the Canadian Physiotherapy Association (CPA) booth in the Exhibit Hall during congress. As a service to delegates, the CPA is accepting job postings for this book. Contact advertising@physiotherapy.ca if you would like to purchase a place in the binder.

Embracing Diversity

The World Confederation for Physical Therapy comprises 92 Member Organisations. It's no wonder why WCPT congresses have a reputation for being inclusive, embracing the diversity of physical therapy practice worldwide and providing an environment where experiences can be shared, lessons learnt, life-long friendships made and a new outlook on the profession developed.

No matter where in the world you practice, you are welcome in Vancouver, 2-6 June 2007!