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### **EDUCATION**

**Doctor of Physical Therapy** 

University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND

May 2015 (Anticipated)

Current GPA: 3.85/4.0

**Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science** 

Cornerstone University, Grand Rapids, MI Magna Cum Laud **December 2010** GPA: 3.76/4.0

### **CLINICAL EXPERIENCES**

Altru Hospital June 20-21, 2014

Inpatient acute care, Grand Forks, ND

A forty hour clinical experience focusing on performing physical therapy evaluations and providing physical therapy intervention for geriatric patients in the acute care setting.

## **Eventide at Sheyenne Crossings**

October - December 2013

Sub-Acute Rehabilitation, West Fargo, ND

- Provided physical therapy treatment for patients in a transitional care setting with mostly orthopedic and cardiovascular conditions.
- > Designed physical therapy intervention programs for patients with general debility in the nursing home.
- > Gained experience working with patients who had an array of cognitive disabilities due to Alzheimer's and chemical dependency

## **Unity Medical Center- Physical Therapy**

August -October 2013

Rural Outpatient Orthopedic, Grafton, ND

- Treated a caseload of 8-10 patients per day with mostly orthopedic diagnoses by the third week of the clinical experience.
- Assessed, monitored and designed treatment protocols for patients participating in cardiac rehabilitation.
- Provided physical therapy treatment for patients with acute conditions affecting multiple systems of the body in the inpatient setting.

Altru Rehabilitation March 28-30 2013

Neuro Rehab, Grand Forks, ND

- A twenty four hour observation/hands-on experience in preparation for clinical experiences in the fall.
- Completed general physical therapy evaluation techniques such as MMT, goniometry, circumferential measurements, and vital signs.
- > Provided physical therapy interventions such as therapeutic activity, therapeutic exercise, gait training and neuromuscular re-education.

### WORK EXPERIENCE

# Physical Therapy Aide

March -July 2012

Anderson & Balser Physical Therapy, Nevada City, CA

- Performed physical therapy modalities such as ultrasound, electrical stimulation, hot/cold packs & exercise programs.
- Aided office staff with secretarial duties including billing, physical therapy documentation & patient scheduling.
- ➤ Instructed patients in exercise programs designed by the physical therapist.

### **Activities Assistant**

September 2011- March 2012

Rosewood Post-Acute Rehab, Carmicheal, CA

- Designed and facilitated group exercise program.
- Prepared and facilitated group activities for patients and residents.
- ➤ Participated in 1:1 resident activity sessions.