

# Spinal Cord Injury SIG

American Physical Therapy Association

## NEWSLETTER



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### 2018 SCI SIG Elections

## It's election time!



Two SCI SIG positions are opening in 2018! Click the links below for details related to each position.

[Nominating Committee Member](#)  
[Secretary](#)

Please reply to this email if you have any additional questions about either of these positions.

If you are interested in running for an office with the SCI SIG, please submit the [nomination form](#) by **March 15, 2018**.

### 48th Mary McMillan Lecture

Have you read or watched Dr. Richard Shield's 48th Mary McMillan lecture entitled "[Turning Over the Hourglass](#)"?

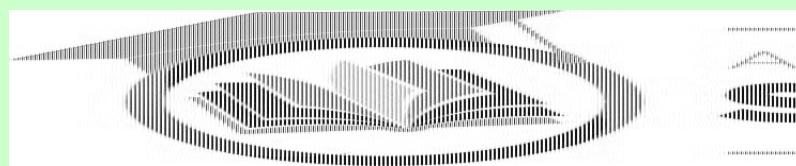
This thought-provoking lecture presented at the 2017 NEXT conference in Boston reviews the changing landscape of healthcare and physical therapy, and asks the question, "*[What must we do] if we wish to truly 'transform society by optimizing movement?'*".

Watch the video of his lecture [here](#)!

## News

➤ **SCI Experienced Clinician Roster** - If you would like your name to be added to a list of clinicians with SCI experience, please contact Casey Kandilakis by responding to this email or emailing at [casey\\_kandilakis@shepherd.org](mailto:casey_kandilakis@shepherd.org). This list will be maintained on the ["SCI Experienced Clinician List"](#) page of the SCI SIG Website.

➤ Have you visited ANPT's **Synapse Education Center** yet? It offers online courses for all levels of learners, from students to new career professionals to advanced practitioners. More courses are being added all the time, so be sure to check it out!



## Upcoming Conferences

**2018**



### APTA Combined Sections Meeting (CSM)

February 21 - 24, 2018 - New Orleans, LA ([Ernest N Morial Convention Center](#))

- CSM Registration is now open! [Register here](#) soon for the best rates!
- [Book your hotel reservation](#) by January 29, 2018 to take advantage of special CSM rates!
- **SCI-related content at CSM:**
  - Thursday 2/22/17
    - 11:00 - 1:00 pm: Clinical Practice Guidelines for Strategies That Maximize Locomotor Function (Hornby, Reisman, Ward; Hilton Riverside Grand Ballroom C)
    - 1:00 - 3:00 pm: SCI Poster Presentations
      - See all SCI posters being presented [here!](#)
    - 3:00 - 5:00 pm: Imaging of Spinal Trauma: Can Protons Inform Prognosis and Improve Outcomes (Elliot, O'Dell, Smith, Tappan, Weber; Hilton Riverside Grand Ballroom B)
  - Friday 2/23/17
    - 8:00 - 10:00 am: ANPT Platform Presentations #2: SCI / MS Measurement and Implementation (Ernest N Morial Convention Center Platform Area 2)
    - 6:30 - 9:30 pm: Myelin Melter (Hilton Riverside Grand Ballroom C/D) - come visit us at the SCI SIG table!
  - Saturday 2/24/17
    - 6:45 - 7:45 am: ANPT SIG Meetings (Hilton Riverside Grand Salon B)
- Explore all CSM Programming, Events, and Activities [here!](#)
- Keep up to date with all the latest CSM information [online](#) and on [Twitter](#).



### ASIA Scientific Meeting

May 1 - 4, 2018 - Rochester, MN ([Mayo Civic Center](#))

- Online registration coming soon.
- Check out the [ASIA Website](#) for more information!



### APTA NEXT Annual Conference and Expo

June 27 - 30, 2018 - Orlando, FL ([Orange County Convention Center](#))

- Online registration coming soon.
- Check out APTA NEXT [online](#) or on [Twitter](#) for more information, or review the [highlights from NEXT](#)

## ASCIP Conference

September 2 - 5, 2018 - New Orleans, LA

- Online registration coming soon.
- Check out the [ASCIP Conference Website](#) for more information!

## Past Conferences

### ACRM Progress in Rehabilitation Research

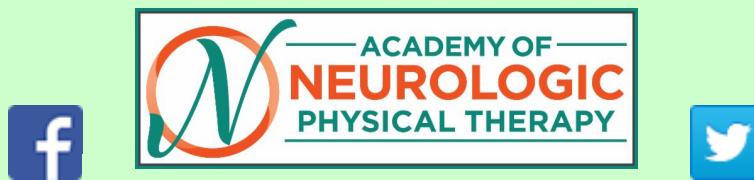
October 23 - 28, 2017 - Atlanta, GA

This year's ACRM conference was packed with 6 days of exciting content related to rehabilitation research! Four major plenary sessions were presented beginning on Wednesday, and included topics related to:

- Where the field of rehabilitation is in relation to current healthcare trends, and where rehabilitation and research needs to go;
- Developing evidence based medicine that focuses more on the whole patient and less on technology;
- Defining and treating patients with stroke based on clusters of behavioral deficits; and
- Empowering rehabilitation professionals to provide patients with the health and wellness recommendations they need to live a full and healthy life beyond rehabilitation.

Visit [ACRM online](#) to learn more about the presentations at this year's conference, or to prepare for next year's [2018 ACRM Annual Conference](#) in Dallas, TX September 30 - October 3, 2018!

## Visit ANPT online!



Thank you!

### ANPT SCI SIG Officers

Rachel Tappan, PT, DPT, NCS, Chair

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