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STROKE ISIG TASK FORCES

The work of the SROKE ISIG is carried out by task forces which promote cutting-edge research, establish standards of care in stroke rehabilitation, and offer an interdisciplinary forum for development of state-of-the-art stroke rehabilitation practice.

APHASIA TASK FORCE
CO-CHAIR: Christina M. del Toro, PhD, CCC-SLP
CO-CHAIR: Michelle Armour, MS, CCC-SLP
The task force goals are to increase aphasia education in the medical professionals that treat these individuals and support interdisciplinary research on the care of individuals with aphasia. Specifically, we aim to improve the communication between rehabilitation professionals and their patient’s with aphasia in order to improve the care and quality of life.

HEALTH & WELLNESS TASK FORCE
CO-CHAIR: Jacklyn Schwartz, PhD, OTR/L
CO-CHAIR: Suzanne Perea Burns, PhD, OTR/L
The goal of this group is to engage in activities promoting the health and wellbeing of persons after stroke. Topics of interest include, nutrition, physical activity, adherence, medication management, and mental health.

MOVEMENT INTERVENTIONS TASK FORCE
CO-CHAIR: Susan Lin, OTR/L FAOTA
CO-CHAIR: Veronica Rowe, PhD, OTR/L
This is a product-oriented group focusing on developing new knowledge about movement after stroke through development of presentations, papers, and other educational materials for patients, care partners, and professionals.

NURSING TASK FORCE
CO-CHAIR: Kristen Mauk, PhD, DNP, RN, CRRN,
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CO-CHAIR: Michelle Camicia, MSN, CRRN, CCM,
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The purpose of this group of nursing scholars and clinicians is to perform activities that support ACRM’s mission of enhancing the lives of individuals with disabilities through interdisciplinary rehabilitation research.

PHARMACY TASK FORCE
CO-CHAIR: Alex Jawharjian, PharmD, MPH, MBA
CO-CHAIR: Jason Strow, PharmD, BCGP, CTTS
This task force will help define the role of the pharmacist within the rehabilitation medicine industry. Because of the variability in what pharmacists are doing within this arena, there is value in learning from one another the different ways we contribute. Once consolidated, the task force will create a recommended list of functional duties for pharmacists.

VISION TASK FORCE
CO-CHAIR: John Ross Rizzo, MD
CO-CHAIR: Kimberly Hreha, EdD, MS, OTR/L
This task force aims to understand how vision, visual motor, and visual perceptual training can be generalized to limb training to improve coordination and functional performance and develop the field of functional vision rehabilitation. Further, our task force will investigate the role of eye movements in eye-hand coordination and in the recovery of motor control in patients with stroke.

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“Internationally, the Stroke ISIG offers a venue unlike any other in the world. It brings together leaders in stroke rehabilitation and research in a collegial, collaborative, and interdisciplinary manner where exchanging ideas brings tremendous value to all who attend. This is an opportunity not to miss!”

— Chris MacDonell, FACRM, CARF International

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— Marjorie Nicholas, PhD, CCC-SLP, MGH, ACRM Annual Conference Presenter, Institute of Health Professionals.

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