

## STANDARD COURSE OUTLINE

**PHTA 2403**                      **Clinical Internship I**

**PREREQUISITE:**            Admission into the Physical Therapist Assistant Program

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** Full time internship in a Physical Therapy setting.

**CREDIT HOURS:**            3 credit hours / non-transferable

**TARGET AUDIENCE**        Students admitted to the PTA Program

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

Following internship, the student will be meet the following criteria:

**Upon completion of Clinical Internship I, the student will:**

**Meet Entry Level PTA on VAS (visual analog scale) of CPI (Continuous Performance Instrument) for objectives 1-5; Attain marks in the 4<sup>th</sup> quartile for objectives 6-20.**

1. Performs in a safe manner that minimizes risk to patient, self, and others.
2. Conducts self in a responsible manner.
3. Interacts with others in a respectful manner.
4. Adheres to ethical standards.
5. Adheres to legal standards.
6. Communicates in ways that are congruent with situational needs.
7. Produces documentation to support the delivery of physical therapy services.
8. Delivers established patient care to reflect respect for and sensitivity to individual differences.
9. Participates in patient status judgments within the clinical environment based on the plan of care established by the physical therapist.
10. Obtains accurate information by performing selected data collection consistent with the plan of care established by the physical therapist.
11. Discusses the need for modifications to the plan of care established by the physical therapist.
12. Performs physical therapy interventions in a technically competent manner.
13. Educates others (patients, family, caregivers, staff, students, other health care providers) using relevant and effective teaching methods.
14. Participates in activities addressing quality of service delivery.
15. Participates in addressing patient needs for services other than physical therapy.
16. Manages resources (eg, time, space, and equipment) to achieve goals of the clinical setting.
17. Participates in fiscal management of the physical therapy clinical setting.
18. Uses physical therapy aides and other support personnel according to legal standards and ethical guidelines.
19. Implements a self-directed plan for career development and lifelong learning.
20. Assists the physical therapist in addressing primary and secondary prevention needs of individuals and groups.
21. Participate in an orientation of the department and hospital as determined by the facility.
22. Perform self assessments @ midterm and final of clinical experience using CPI.
23. Perform assessment of clinical site.
24. Assess appropriateness of self learning objectives and strategies utilizing data obtained during Clinical Internship I.