**Great Lakes Recreational Therapy Student Conference 2016**

**CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS**

This year Indiana University and Grand Valley State University will be hosting **the 1st Annual Great Lakes Recreational Therapy Student Conference**. The conference will be held in Martinsville, IN at Bradford Woods on April 1-2, 2016! We are expecting around 150 students from 8-10 universities.

The Great Lakes RT Board is reaching out to recreational therapists and RT educators to speak on behalf of their experiences in the recreational therapy field. Students can gain a plethora of knowledge from experienced professionals. You can help make this conference a success!

Specifically, we are interested in presentations that center on the following topics, but are open to all possible presentations:

* **Lecture Topics**
	+ How to create new interventions
	+ Evidence-based Practice
	+ Legal Issues relating to RT
	+ Conducting assessments
	+ Building therapeutic Relationships – Professional Boundaries
	+ Evaluations & documentation
	+ Working with other Allied health Partners – Inter-professional conduct
	+ Information on various settings and populations
	+ Internships – How to be best prepared
	+ What was most useful from your time in college?
	+ How to find a job
* **Intervention Topics**
	+ Tai chi
	+ Reality Orientation
	+ Horticulture
	+ Social Skill Programs
	+ Aquatics
	+ Animal-assisted Therapy

We will also be hosting a **panel discussion with current RT’s** and what they wished they would have learned in school. If you would like to serve on the panel please let us know.

On Saturday, the conference will be hosting an **Internship and Job fair** during the lunch hour. Presenting at the conference allows you to set up a free booth at that internship/job fair.

If you are interested in presenting at this year’s conference and or participating at the Internship/Job fair please respond using the attached form to Jared Allsop at jallsop@indiana.edu. Please submit your proposal and required information as a Microsoft Word attachment via email no later than March 4th, 2016 to receive full consideration

We look forward to seeing you at the conference.

Thank you,

Great Lakes RT Board

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### April 1st & 2nd, 2016

Bradford Woods

Martinsville, IN

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Speakers are not required to register for the conference, but certainly welcome to do so. Speakers that wish to participate in the conference longer than their own presentation will need to be registered. Housing and meals is included in the conference registration. Speakers will be responsible for their own transportation, registration and handouts. It is requested that speakers provide 40 copies of their session handouts.

Please send the following information to the Great Lakes Recreational Therapy Student Conference Speakers & Presenters Committee c/o of Jared Allsop at jallsop@indiana.edu:

**TITLE OF SESSION** (25 words or less)

**SPEAKER QUALIFICATIONS** (Short bio and qualifications, may include: certifications, licenses, degrees, experience, employment titles, research interests, etc. 75 words or less per presenter)

**SESSION DESCRIPTION** (Description of proposed session, 150 words or less)

**LEARNING OUTCOMES** (3-5 Learning Outcomes)

**SESSION OUTLINE** (75 words or less)

**MODE OF PRESENTATION** (i.e. outdoor, indoor, lecture, interactive, practical/hands on, etc.)

**SESSION LENGTH** (90 minutes or 60 minutes)

**AUDIOVISUAL EQUIPMENT:** (We are able to provide a limited number of projectors. It is recommended that presenters bring their own computer and necessary cables. Any additional equipment requests will be reviewed.)

**INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THE INTERNSHIP/JOB FAIR (SATURDAY, APRIL 2ND FROM 12:30-2PM** – (Yes / No)

Contact information for individuals attending the Internship/Job Fair

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**Thank you!**