



Practicum (Internship) 2 Requirements

This internship experience occurs in the summer between the 5th and 6th year in the program. Students will have just one semester of didactic work remaining before their terminal internship experiences. The remaining coursework for that final semester consists of neurological treatment, pediatrics, cardiopulmonary, and an advanced elective in their specialty area of choice. All orthopedic, measurement and electrotherapy coursework has been completed.

Determination of Dates

- Any 10 weeks starting the Monday after graduation (Mid-May) and ending the Friday before classes are scheduled to begin for the Fall semester (Last week of August).
- If the internship site does not specify specific dates on the commitment form, dates are determined between the student and the internship site.

APTA Weekly Planning Forms

We do expect the student to show weekly progress and be able to self-assess their performance and identify goals for the following week. To achieve this outcome, the student will use the **APTA Weekly Planning Forms** at the end of each of the first seven weeks of the internship. Weekly goals must be written in a 'SMART' format (specific, measurable, achievable, results oriented, time bounded).

PT CPI 2006: PT CPI Web (Midterm and Final Evaluations)

We expect that the clinical instructor and student each complete the clinical performance instrument on the web for midterm and final time frames. Please provide supportive documentation/comments considering the performance dimensions on all performance criteria. The expectation is that the midterm will be completed at the end of week 5.

Minimal Performance Criteria (as assessed by the clinical instructor)

At the final evaluation of the 10 week internship, the student is expected to be at or above Advanced Intermediate Performance defined as:

- A student who requires clinical supervision less than 25% of the time managing new patients or patients with complex conditions and is independent managing patients with simple conditions. At this level, the student is consistent and proficient in simple tasks and requires only occasional cueing for skilled examinations, interventions, and clinical reasoning. The student is **capable of** maintaining 75% of a full-time physical therapist's caseload.

Use these expectations as a guideline for gauging student progress throughout the 10 weeks and to establish learning objectives with the student(s) as needed, and/or to **call Laurie or Danille if you feel the student will not be able to meet these expectations.**

Generic Abilities

The student will also be required to complete generic ability self-assessment at midterm and final. The CI does not have to complete the form, but will be asked to review the student's self-assessment and provide feedback to the student as needed.



Internship Assessment Checklist – Practicum 2

- ❑ **Day 1 – Student is to call, email or fax Laurie or Danille with name of CI and phone number where the two of you can be reached during the day.(First day fax form)**

- ❑ **End of Week 1-4**
 - **Weekly Planning Form** – student summarizes his/her performance for the week and writes goals for the following week. CI reviews and adds comments, may revise goals as appropriate. Weekly goals must be written in a ‘SMART’ format (specific, measurable, achievable, results oriented, time bounded).

- ❑ **End of Week 5 (Midterm Evaluation)**
 - **Weekly Planning Form** – Comments are not needed on the weekly planning form, as they are made in the CPI. The student does write goals for the following week. CI may revise as appropriate.
 - **CPI Midterm:** Student and CI complete the midterm portion of each CPI Skill (1-18) and the SUMMARATIVE COMMENTS on the PT CPI Web prior to formal discussion.
 - **Generic Abilities:** midterm assessment completed by student only, CI reviews and provides comments as needed

- ❑ **End of Week 6-9**
 - **Weekly Planning Form** - student summarizes his/her performance for the week and writes goals for the following week. CI reviews and adds comments, may revise goals as appropriate.

- ❑ **End of Week 10 (Final Evaluation)**
 - **CPI Final:** Student and CI complete the midterm portion of each CPI Skill (1-18) along with the SUMMARATIVE COMMENTS prior to formal discussion.
 - **Generic Abilities** – final assessment completed by student only, CI reviews and provides comments as needed
 - **Student Evaluation of Internship Experience (APTA Form)**– completed by the students to provide the CI, clinical site and our program with feedback regarding the experience.
 - **Facility specific requirements** – the student is expected to complete any additional requirements that the facility may have.

SAMPLE

Weekly Planning Form^a

Dates: _____ Experience Week Number: _____

STUDENTS REVIEW OF THE WEEK

When completing this form consider the five (5) performance dimensions: quality of care, supervision/guidance required, consistency of performance, complexity of tasks/environment, and efficiency of performance.

CI'S REVIEW OF THE WEEK

When completing this form consider the five (5) performance dimensions: quality of care, supervision/guidance required, consistency of performance, complexity of tasks/environment, and efficiency of performance.

GOALS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK OF _____

Student's Signature _____

CI Signature _____

^aAPTA Clinical Instructor Education and Credentialing Program, American Physical Therapy Association, Alexandria, Va, September 2005: Section IV-7.