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Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions' Doctor of Physical Therapy program granted candidacy status.

The Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) program at Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions (RMUoHP), located in Provo, Utah, has been granted candidacy status by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE). The announcement was made on January 28, 2010 by Mary Jane Harris, the Director of the Department of Accreditation for CAPTE.

The Doctor of Physical Therapy Program Director, Robert Sellin, PT, DSc, ECS, said the following regarding the announcement, "we are very fortunate to have a highly skilled team of educators who have worked diligently over the past year and half to make Candidacy possible. While Candidacy is not a guarantee of accreditation it is a very important step in the process which enables us to admit students to the program. The University is in a unique position to offer a needed educational service to Utah County and the western states area. We look forward to becoming a positive force on the delivery of health care both locally and nationally as our program matures."

RMUoHP is pleased to announce the following faculty for the DPT program: Robert A. Sellin, PT, DSc, ECS; Jeffery D. Lau, PT, DPT, OCS, CMPT; J. Wesley McWhorter, PT, MPT, PhD; Kevin Helgeson, PT, DHSc; Tim Flynn, PT, PhD; Mark Walker, PT, PhD; Robert S. Pozos, PhD; Ronald Scott, PT, EdD, LLM; Mitchell J. Rauh, PT, PhD, MPH, FACSM; Stephen C. Allison, PT, PhD; Lori Thein Brody, PT, PhD, SCS, ATC; Sandra L. Pennington, PhD, RN.

Aegis Therapies, one of the largest contract aging rehabilitation companies in the country, has provided funds for an endowed chair and three scholarships in the DPT Program.

Candidate for Accreditation is a pre-accreditation status of affiliation with CAPTE that indicates the DPT program is progressing toward accreditation. Candidacy is the final stage before full-accreditation, which is granted during the first DPT class's last semester. For RMUoHP's DPT program, this will take place in December 2012.

The first DPT class will begin on May 10, 2010. Applications are being accepted online at www.rmuohp.edu.

About Rocky Mountain University of Health Professions:

RMUoHP offers doctoral degrees for current and future healthcare providers and educators, including athletic trainers, nurses, occupational therapists, physical therapists, exercise physiologists, and chiropractors. RMUoHP's non-traditional model enables students to complete advanced degrees without relocating. Curricula emphasize specialized education in advanced clinical, research, and academic areas. RMUoHP's residential Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree program begins in May 2010.

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