

# Neonatal Physical Therapy Fellowship

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The Neonatal Physical Therapy Fellowship at Nationwide Children's Hospital is the first pediatric-based fellowship of its kind in Ohio, and one of only four neonatal physical therapy accredited programs. The goal of the Neonatal Physical Therapy Fellowship Program at Nationwide Children's Hospital is to educate and train physical therapists for advanced clinical competency in neonatal physical therapy. We seek fellowship candidates who can contribute expertise to the comprehensive care of premature or medically fragile infants as a member of a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) team, participate in evidence-based practice and research, and provide education to a diverse array of constituents, including parents and other members of the health care team.

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Nationwide Children's is collaborating with West Virginia University (WVU) to provide curriculum for the fellowship program. Twelve months of clinical training includes online coursework through WVU, which allows fellows to remain on-site at Nationwide Children's to participate in clinical translation and mentorship. The program focuses on didactic experiences, clinical application and research. As full-time employees, fellows can expect a competitive salary, as well as a benefits package.

## Program Outcomes

- **Number of graduates since accreditation in 2017:** 5
- **Program completion rate:** 5 out of 6
- 100% of graduates are Board Certified Clinical Specialists in Pediatric Physical Therapy.

## Qualifications for Applicants

According to the American Board of Physical Therapy Residency and Fellowship Education, applicants would be required to possess at least one of the following qualifications:

- American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties Specialist Certification in Pediatrics (PCS)
- Completion of an accredited Pediatric Physical Therapy Residency Program

## Application Process

Application materials can be accessed through the Physical Therapist Centralized Application Service (PT-CAS) system. A link can be found on the program website.

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