Workshop Objectives

- Update accreditation activity 2018
- Recognize retired CMLA Board members
- Overview of accreditation process
- Discussion of clinician’s role
Accreditation Activity 2018

- Cincinnati Children’s Hospital (1st)
- Children’s Hospital Los Angeles (3rd)
- Shriners Hospitals for Children - Houston (1st)
- Shriners Hospital for Children, Salt Lake (3rd)
- Texas Children’s Hospital – The Woodlands (1st)
CMLA Mission Statement

The Commission for Motion Laboratory Accreditation, Inc. (CMLA) is a nonprofit organization established and operated to enhance the clinical care of persons with disorders of human motion by evaluating and accrediting clinical motion laboratories by a set of standard criteria.

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Commission for Motion Laboratory Accreditation, Inc.
a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization

Member Societies

**AAOS**
- Tom Novacheck, MD
- Robert Kay, MD

**AAPMR**
- Wendy Pierce, MD
- Aloysia Schwabe, MD

**APTA**
- Juan Garbalosa, PT, PhD (Treasurer)
- Audrey Zucker-Levin, PT, PhD (Secretary)

**GCMAS**
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- Gordon Alderink, PT, PhD (President)
- Jean Stout, PT, MS (Review Panel Coordinator)
- Sylvia Ounpuu, MSc
Recognition CMLA Board Members

• Freeman Miller, MD
  – CMLA Board of Directors 1996-2018
  – CMLA President 1996-1999
  – CMLA Treasurer 2010-2015

• Dennis Matthews, MD
  – CMLA Board of Directors 2003-2018
Purpose of Accreditation

• Provide a “seal of approval” from an independent accrediting body
• Promote effective delivery of service with high quality standards
• Assure public confidence in clinical movement analysis
  – *Public*: media (US News & World Report), consumer and 3rd party payer
• Officially recognize laboratories delivering high quality service
• Encourage continuous quality improvement
US News & World Report’s Best Hospital Survey

- Question I19.1: Is the gait laboratory accredited by the Commission for Motion Laboratory Accreditation (CMLA)?
  - Yes
  - No

- If “yes”, to receive credit you must upload proof of accreditation.
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CMLA Accreditation Application Format

I. Administration & Personnel
II. Equipment and Data Collection
III. Data Processing/Data Management/Reporting
Evaluation Criteria

• 87 Accreditation Criteria
• Developed over several years by the CMLA Board of Directors to include the most important policies, procedures, and practices required in all clinical motion laboratories
• Reviewed regularly for updates/changes as part of continuous quality improvement
How is Accreditation Determined?

• Each application is reviewed by a panel:
  – Medical
  – Engineering/Technical
  – Clinical

• Panel makes recommendation to CMLA Board of Directors

• Board votes on the application

• Accreditation level achieved is determined by the number of major/minor deficiencies related to the established criteria
Tips on the Accreditation Process

- Designate a primary writer → “team effort”
- Download/use applicant manual
- Address all requests/questions
- Create designated time to work on documents, stick to a schedule, & plan ahead
- Create accreditation electronic/paper filing system
- Accreditation usually not achieved on first submission
- See accreditation as process of improving quality patient care
Clinical Gait Analysis: “Best Practices”

- 2017 GCMAS Annual Meeting tutorials
- Provided operational definitions to clarify quality assurance procedures
- Provided examples from accredited labs regarding:
  - Data Interpretation and Clinical Recommendations
  - Clinical Assessment
  - Force and Motion Systems
  - Dynamic EMG
Draft Policy: Clinician’s Role

• Aware of community’s use of 2017 presentation information and identified need to add clarification
• 2018 created draft policy on clinician’s role
• 2018 opened draft policy for public comment (from June-November)
• 2018 reviewed public comments and withdrew draft policy
• Added clarifying information to applicant manual and “best practices” resources (soon to be released)
THANK YOU

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