ACAPT DATA COLLECTION (VIA SURVEY) REQUESTS

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ACAPT Leadership Groups

As part of your responsibilities to support ACAPT’s mission, vision and strategic initiatives, leadership groups of ACAPT may need to collect data specific to their ACAPT work for the benefit of all DPT member institutions.

When considering data needs and objectives, please concentrate survey questions on key data (or metrics) that will help Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) programs on their path toward excellence, including:

- ACAPT’s Excellence Framework
- ACAPT’s strategic plan
- Other priorities identified by the ACAPT Board of Directors based on collective member feedback and/or critical issues and trends in academic physical therapy, such as:
  - Transforming clinical education
  - Addressing the shortage of qualified faculty
  - Building diversity
  - Controlling student debt
  - Increasing the value of education for a career in PT

How to submit data needs

If an ACAPT leadership group identifies a specific need for data, they must email acapt@acapt.org with the following:

1) Full description of exact type of data needed
2) How the data address ACAPT priorities
3) Any timeline considerations
4) The roles/job titles of individuals within or affiliated with ACAPT member institutions that can best provide the desired data

ACAPT and the Data Advisory Committee will evaluate the request and determine:

- If the desired data already exist – e.g., from partners, past Institutional Profile Surveys, etc.
• If the desired data are needed for ACAPT operations, strategic plan and/or address pursuit of excellence in academic physical therapy.

• If the Data Advisory Committee requires consultation with the ACAPT board liaison (and executive committee) to inform their recommendations.

• If the data should be collected in a future Institutional Profile Survey or other Center for Excellence survey, and the frequency of data collection – e.g., one-time, annually, every 3 years.

ACAPT has two survey platforms available for data collection:

• A Center for Excellence survey platform
• Qualtrics for non-Center for Excellence surveys

Benefits of this process include:

• **Reducing redundancy** by centralizing data collection and storage of all ACAPT survey data.

• **Scheduling of all surveys** for maximum response and efficiency.

• **Providing de-identified, aggregated, past survey data** to ACAPT groups as needed.