Research Intensive Programs in Physical Therapy (RIPP) - Candidate Bio and Statement – 2022

The information below was provided by each candidate in response to a request to provide a brief bio and statement of interest and qualifications for the position.

Name: Neva Kirk-Sanchez PT, PhD

Title: Department Chair and Associate Professor

Position: Consortium - Nominating Committee Member

Brief Bio	Candidate Statement
Dr. Kirk-Sanchez is an Associate Professor and Department Chair at the University of Miami. She teaches several topics in the DPT and residency curricula including Communications, Models of Practice, and issues related to aging and cognitive impairment. She also teaches courses in Models of Practice and Academic Roles in Physical Therapy in the PhD curriculum. Her research interests are in the area of movement and cognition, and physical therapy education.	As a faculty member at the University of Miami since 2005 and the Department Chair since 2015, I have facilitated a significant growth of our academic, research, and clinical divisions. I have been involved in RIPP for several years, and I appreciate the support and collegiality offered by representatives involved in this group. I have been fortunate to be involved in the Webinar Task Force since 2021, and I am looking forward to continuing involvement in this consortium. I believe that RIPP can play a critical role in several elements of the strategic plan including academic innovation through uniting a community of researchers to inform best practices and to offer support for education stakeholders including grant writing, mentorship, and sharing of innovative ideas. RIPP can also play a critical role in building and analyzing data gained from our academic programs to build a culture of continuous improvement in our institutions and our profession.

Name: Write-in

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