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2013 PT Legislative Day

American Physical Therapy Association
South Carolina Chapter

Wednesday, March 20th

- ✦ Please contact your legislators the week before PT Day and try to set up an appointment to see them when you are at the capitol on Wednesday, March 28th. The best way to find out who your legislators are is to click on this link and follow the steps on this web page: <http://www.scstatehouse.gov/legislatorssearch.php>. You can call their office numbers in Columbia and speak to their administrative assistants in order to set up appointments. These phone numbers can be found by navigating to the Home page of this website and looking up the individual members. Note that the phone numbers you will want to call for Senators typically begin with "(803) 212- ____" and for House Members begin with "(803) 734- ____".
- ✦ When you arrive you will be given a green "PT" sticker. Remember to wear it at all times while you are at the capitol...strength in numbers!!!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **9:15 a.m.- Blatt Building Room T.B.D.-**Meet here to go over the agenda, review talking points, and explain how to send notes to members in the House and Senate while in session.
- **10:00 a. m.-** Walk over to the Statehouse to be introduced from the balcony of the South Carolina House of Representatives while they are in session. Take Blatt Building elevator down to G-1 Level in the Garage and follow the signs to the Statehouse. The Lobby and entrances to the House and Senate Chambers are located on the 2nd floor of the Statehouse. The stairs in the Lobby lead to the 3rd floor where the entrances to the balconies in each Chamber are located. Head up to the balcony in the House of Representatives and try to sit as a group while waiting to be recognized from the floor of the Chamber below.
- **After being Recognized...** Feel free to go to your appointments with any Senators or Representatives that you may have scheduled in advance. The Senate will likely be in committee meetings in the Gressette Building (where their individual offices are located), so if you do not have a scheduled appointment it may still be possible to catch them for a few minutes by simply "walking-in" their office. It is also a good time to catch House members that you were unable to schedule appointments with beforehand. You can catch them by sending in notes from the lobby and requesting they step outside the chamber for a few moments. It is a good idea to grab lunch around the capitol in time to be back at the State House by 2:00.
- **2:00 p.m.-** Meet back in the Statehouse Lobby, and take the stairs up to the 3rd Floor to the balcony in the Senate and try to sit as a group while waiting to be recognized.
- **After being Recognized...** Feel free to go to your appointments with any Senators or Representatives that you may have scheduled in advance. This is a good time to head to the Blatt Building and try to catch any Representatives between meetings that you were unable to arrange appointments with in advance. You may also try to send in notes to Senators from the lobby.

