Harvey Abrams

In a career spanning more than 45 years, Dr Abrams has served in a number of academic, clinical, research, administrative, and consulting capacities with the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Defence, academia and industry. His positions have included Chief of the Audiology and Speech Pathology Service and Associate Chief of Staff for Research and Development at the Bay Pines, VA Healthcare System; Director of Research at the Army Audiology and Speech Center at Walter Reed Army Medical Center; and Director of Audiology Research at Starkey Hearing Technologies. He currently serves as the Head of Research Audiology at Lively Hearing Corporation. He received his PhD in Audiology and Hearing Science at the University of Florida and instructs students of audiology at several universities in the USA. He lectures on the topics of outcome measures, health-related quality of life, professional issues, and evidence-based audiologic practice. His research has focused on treatment efficacy and improved quality of life associated with audiologic intervention to include, most recently, computer-based auditory training.

Nihad A. Almasri

Dr Nihad A. Almasri is currently a Professor of Pediatric Physiotherapy at the University of Jordan. Professor Almasri holds a MSc degree in Rehabilitation Sciences from Pittsburgh University, USA, and a PhD in Pediatric Rehabilitation, with a focus on children with disabilities, from Drexel University, Philadelphia, USA. She is the former Dean of the School of Rehabilitation Sciences at the University of Jordan and currently works as a consultant for World Physiotherapy and Handicap International (Humanity and Inclusion), in addition to centres that serve children with disabilities. Professor Almasri’s broad clinical and research interests include public health; pediatric rehabilitation; evaluation of medical and rehabilitation services for children with cerebral palsy (CP); development, and implementation of surveillance and follow-up registries for children with CP and autism spectrum disorder at a national level; and development of outcome measures to be used in middle-eastern countries. Professor Almasri has many publications in peer-reviewed journals; she is the principal investigator for many grants with national and international funds in Jordan.
John Bourke

Dr Johnny Bourke is a Plex Researcher at the Burwood Academy of Independent Living (BAIL) in New Zealand. Dr Bourke has an undergraduate degree in Psychology; a Master’s degree focused on how people with spinal injuries experience rehabilitation; and a PhD investigating community inclusion of wheelchair users in disaster recovery contexts. His experience of having a spinal cord injury in 2005, combined with his academic study, give him a unique perspective on service development and delivery. A particular highlight of his work to date has been developing a variety of creative and different ways to ensure people with the lived experience of disability can be actively engaged in the research process. A further motivation is being able to work on a wide variety of research projects and topics which are all connected by the common thread of working to create more equitable opportunities for people living with disability.

Maria Gabriella Ceravolo

Dr Maria Gabriella Ceravolo is a neurologist and physician of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (PRM), and Chair of the Neurorehabilitation Clinic at the University Hospital of Ancona, Italy. She is Professor of PRM at the Faculty of Medicine of the Università Politecnica delle Marche, Ancona, Italy; President of the PRM Board within the European Union of Medical Specialists; and a member of the Educational Committee of the International Society of PRM, where she acts as Team Leader of the Core Curriculum subcommittee. Her research focuses on the epidemiology of disability due to neurological disorders, the effectiveness of rehabilitation approaches using action observation, virtual reality, non-invasive brain stimulation, robot-assisted movement training, and the several applications of artificial intelligence to the assessment and treatment of people with body function impairments.

Michele Cournan

Michele Cournan has been a rehabilitation nurse for more than 20 years, with experience in acute rehabilitation and academia. She is currently the Director of Clinical Services at Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital, an acute free-standing rehabilitation facility in Schenectady, New York. She is also adjunct faculty member at Excelsior College, a part-time faculty at Walden University, and has a private business as a legal nurse consultant. She has published several articles and delivered many presentations in the United States during the past 15 years. Most recently Michele has presented a series of webinars nationally on the Impact Act and the resulting changes in the regulations for functional assessment. Michele is currently the Past-President of the Association of Rehabilitation Nurses.
Alison Douglas
Dr Alison Douglas is an Occupational Therapist with a PhD in Rehabilitation Sciences from McMaster University, Canada. As the Director of Standards at the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists, she is responsible for managing the national entry-to-practice exam and the accreditation of academic programmes. She is also involved with accreditation of occupational therapy assistant and physiotherapy assistant programmes. She has a particular interest in the use of competency frameworks for education and examinations.

Rochelle Dy
Dr Rochelle Dy, MD is an Associate Professor of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (PM&R) at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas, USA, and serves as the Director of the PM&R residency and the Pediatric Rehabilitation Medicine fellowship programmes. She is a full time Pediatric Physiatrist and Clinic Chief for PM&R at the Texas Children’s Hospital. Her clinical and research interests are in cerebral palsy and spasticity management. Dr Dy received her medical degree from the University of Santo Tomas, Philippines, then completed a combined Peds/PM&R residency programme at Einstein Medical Center and Temple University Hospital in Philadelphia, and a Pediatric Rehabilitation fellowship at A.I. du Pont Hospital for Children in Delaware. She is triple board certified in Pediatrics, PM&R and Pediatric Rehabilitation. As well as being an active member of several organizations, Dr Dy serves as Chair of the Education Committee of the International Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (ISPRM).

Pamela Enderby
Dr Pam Enderby is Emeritus Professor of Community Rehabilitation and a qualified Speech and Language Therapist who has specialized in rehabilitation-related research. Dr Enderby established the Speech and Language Therapy Research Unit in Bristol, United Kingdom; she has served as Chair of the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists, and is currently President of the International Association of Communication Sciences and Disorders (IALP). Awards received include the Jacques Parisot Medal (WHO), Life Membership from the British Society for Rehabilitation Medicine; an honorary Doctorate of Science from the University of the West of England; the Tavistock Award for Aphasia; Distinguished Scholar Award from the Society for Research in Rehabilitation; and the Princess Margaret Award from the Stroke Association. She was awarded an MBE in 1984 and an OBE in 2018 for her services to speech and language therapy.
Edward Lemaire
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Theresa Lorenzo
Theresa Lorenzo is an Occupational Therapist and Professor in Disability Studies and Occupational Therapy in the Department of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences at the University of Cape Town, South Africa where she initiated the Disability Studies Postgraduate Programmes. She has trained community rehabilitation workers in rural and urban communities in South Africa, including evaluations of community-based rehabilitation programmes in South Africa, Swaziland and Lesotho. Theresa has worked with many nongovernmental organizations in building the capacity of undergraduate and postgraduate students to work with civil society organizations in addressing the needs of people with disability and their families, with a specific focus on livelihoods development of youth and women.

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Rachael Lowe is President of the Physiopedia charity, CEO of Physioplus, and Co-Founder of both. She is a physiotherapist from the United Kingdom and has worked for over 10 years providing e-learning and technology support to the international rehabilitation community. Rachael is a physiotherapist from the United Kingdom and has worked for over 10 years providing e-learning and technology support to the international rehabilitation community. She is passionate about utilising technology to share rehabilitation knowledge, empower the profession and elevate standards of practice. Rachael currently oversees the curriculum development at Physioplus, an online education platform, and facilitates online education of rehabilitation professionals globally.
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Rhoda Olkin

Dr Rhoda Olkin is a Distinguished Professor at the California School of Professional Psychology at Alliant International University, San Francisco Bay Area campus. She is the author of three books combining disability studies and clinical psychology. She conducts private practice, gives numerous workshops on clients with chronic conditions or disabilities, and serves as an expert witness on disability discrimination cases. Her academic interests are in disability in the context of other marginalized identities, microaggressions, and competency development in graduate students. She is a polio survivor, and the author of a collection of short stories, many of which include characters with disabilities.

Claire O’Reilly

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