

From - the - Dean

Bethany Forseth, Ph.D., faculty member in the Department of Physical Therapy, Rehabilitation Science, and Athletic Training, was selected to receive grant funding by the Center for Children's Healthy Lifestyles & Nutrition. The project is titled "Enhancing Wellbeing in Caregivers of Young Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities," and is a collaboration with School of Medicine faculty member Amy Bodde, Ph.D. Congratulations.

KU was well represented at the American Occupational Therapy Association's annual conference and expo held here in Kansas City, April 20-23, 2023. Current faculty and students, as well as graduates of our program, presented more than 20 posters along with participating in discussion panels and delivering both a workshop and a short course. Gina Baker, OTD, OTR/L, Lauren Foster, OTD, OTR/L, Becky Nicholson, OTD, OTR/L, Denise Sangoi, OTD, OTR/L, and Natalie Scott, OTD, OTR/L, participated in the organization's Academic Leadership Council meetings. Nice work. See photos.

I am honored to be elected to serve as a member of the board of directors of the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences. My four-year term begins in September.

Our respiratory care program is holding a fundraiser with a goal of \$1,200 and ending July 31. This is an effort to equip students with a high quality stethoscope as they begin clinical rotations. They will use this essential tool throught the program and keep it as they start their careers following graduation. You can help them meet their goal with a gift of any amount on their LaunchKU page.

Please remember: the "Making Health Care Heroes" golf tournament will be held on August 18, 2023. See details <u>on our website</u>. Funds raised during this event will specifically be used to expand new scholarship awards and international educational experiences for students in our school.

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