

## From the Dean

Department of Occupational Therapy Education faculty member **Tobia Zannotto, Ph.D.**, is first author [on an article](#) published in the Physical Therapy & Rehabilitation Journal titled "Association Between Frailty and Free-Living Walking Performance in People With Multiple Sclerosis." Co-authors from our campus include **Hannes Devos, Ph.D.**, and **Jacob Sosnoff, Ph.D.**, from the Department of Physical Therapy, Rehabilitation Science, and Athletic Training, plus **Lingjun Chen**, doctoral student in rehabilitation science, and **Sharon G. Lynch, M.D.**, of the School of Medicine. Congratulations.

More than 50 KU **physical therapy students** visited the state capitol in Topeka this spring to advocate for the importance of physical therapy in our health care system and on issues impacting the profession. They spoke with many Kansas legislators and also learned about lobbying and the legislative process. Well done. [See photo.](#)

**Brandon Hidaka, M.D., Ph.D.**, was quoted [in an article](#) in The Breeze from James Madison University about [his research](#) published in the National Library of Medicine concerning diseases of modernity and the growing burden of chronic diseases. A graduate of our doctoral program in medical nutrition science, he now [works in family medicine and prenatal care](#) for the Mayo Clinic Health System.

[An article](#) by KU Medical Center News details how the **Student Teaching And Rehabilitation Training (JaySTART) Clinic** is expanding to provide more learning opportunities for students and to better serve community members and provide more hands-on learning opportunities for students in our school. Nice work.

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

Please be safe and thank you for all that you do.

