



NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR OF GRANTS MIA ERICKSON, PT, PhD, CHT, ATC



2017 Awarded Grants:

Applications to the AHTF grants were received for the Burkhalter New Investigator Grant for Clinical Research in Hand and Upper Limb Rehabilitation, and the Tri-Alliance Founder's Grant for Research in Hand Therapy, but unfortunately not for the Judy Bell Krotoski Grab the Evidence Grant for Fundamental Research and Evidence-Based Studies, or the Evelyn Mackin Grant for Education by a Traveling Hand Therapist.

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Burkhalter New Investigator Grant for Clinical Research in Hand and Upper Limb Rehabilitation: 2017 Awardees

First place recipient:

Title: The Impact of Shoulder Pathology in Individuals with a Distal Radius Fracture.

The Principal Investigator is Sarah Wilson, MS, OTR/L, CHT, CLT, Co-Investigators: Richard Barth MD, David Moss MD, Madeline Fetzko OTR/L. The project is clinical project, a collaboration between the Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL and Washington Orthopedics and Sports Medicine, Washington DC. Funding was provided for the Qualitative research portion of the grant application. *Sarah says: "Receiving this grant is an acknowledgement that my peers feel that my research is relevant and innovative to the hand therapy community. I am honored to receive this award and excited to share my findings at the ASHT conference in 2018."*



Second place recipient:

Title: Determinants of positive functional outcomes at 16 weeks after flexor tendon repair at a tertiary hospital in South Africa. A descriptive, analytical study.

Principal Investigator: Amy Menegaldo, BSc, OT, Livingstone Tertiary Hospital, Port Elizabeth, South Africa, and supervisor Helen Buchanan, PhD, OT, University of Cape Town, South Africa. Funding was provided for the translation of the Disabilities of the Arm, Shoulder and Hand portion of the project. *Amy says that she is honored to have received the award. It is the first native African language that has been added to the list of DASH translations. The translation will help further research and improve treatment of isiXhosa speaking persons in South Africa. (Amy is portrayed in the middle picture, Helen below it!)*

