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For Immediate Release:

**The American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine (AACPDM) Welcomes Theresa Sukal-Moulton, PT, DPT, PhD, as new First Vice President**

*The AACPDM Board of Directors is excited to announce Theresa Sukal-Moulton, PT, DPT, PhD, as the First Vice President of the Academy.*

**Milwaukee, WI., December 9, 2024** - The American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine (AACPDM) is pleased to announce, Theresa Sukal-Moulton, PT, DPT, PhD, as the 2024-2025 First Vice President.

AACPDM President (2023-24), M. Wade Shrader, MD, from Nemours Children's Hospital, Delaware, states, "Theresa is well-prepared to excel as the lead of the organizing committee for the 2025 AACPDM Annual Meeting. She has extensive experience and is highly respected in her field and among her colleagues. Her contributions to the Academy are greatly valued, and her efforts will have a significant positive impact on the Academy in the years ahead."

Dr. Theresa Moulton is an Assistant Professor at Northwestern University in the Department of Physical Therapy and Human Movement Sciences and the Department of Pediatrics. Dr. Moulton's current role at Northwestern includes the education of approximately 95 Doctor of Physical Therapy students per year in the areas of neuroscience, technology, pediatric physical therapy, and mentored research projects. In her own research, she investigates the underlying neural mechanisms of selective motor control in children and young adults with cerebral palsy, as well as infants who are at high potential of a cerebral palsy diagnosis.



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"I am honored to take on the role of First Vice President of AACPDm. I look forward to collaborating with my fellow Board of Directors members to serve our vibrant community and support evidence-based care for children and adults with cerebral palsy and other developmental disorders," stated Dr. Moulton.

As the First Vice President, Dr. Moulton will oversee the AACPDm Scientific Program Committee activities and planning of the 2025 Annual Meeting. The AACPDm Annual Meeting provides a unique opportunity to bring together specialists from around the world and leaders in the field of childhood onset disability. Meeting attendance often includes over 1,100 professionals from various disciplines, including professionals from more than 53 countries across North and South America, Europe, Asia, Africa, and Australia.

Dr. Moulton has been an active member of AACPDm since 2005. In addition to regularly presenting at Annual Meetings, she served on the research committee from 2014-2018 (Chair in 2017). In 2017, she also served on the Nominating Committee and began as a working group lead for the NINDS Common Data Elements for Cerebral Palsy. She continues to serve on the Oversight Committee for the AACPDm and NIH effort (2017-present). Dr. Moulton served on the Board of Directors (2018-2021), was on the Scientific Review Committee (2017), and is a Scientific Co-Chair for the 2023 Annual Meeting.

#### **ABOUT AACPDm:**

The American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine (AACPDm) is an organization made up of over 1,100 healthcare professionals dedicated to improving the health and quality of life for individuals with cerebral palsy and other childhood-onset disabilities.

What distinguishes AACPDm is the collaborative approach of its members, who work together to establish a global network aimed at achieving the best possible outcomes for patients. Our membership includes pediatricians, neurologists, surgeons, physiatrists, therapists, nurses, special educators, engineers, and scientists.

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The mission of the AACPDm is: Empowering and supporting a collaborative multidisciplinary community that:

- Provides accessible and robust scientific education for health professionals and researchers;
- Fosters innovative research as well as its dissemination and implementation; and
- Advocates for equitable access to evidence based and patient centered care.

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