Physical Rehabilitation
Rotation Goals

• Create an awareness of:

  o a collaborative approach between veterinary and physical therapy professions in small animal rehabilitation

  o the rehabilitation evaluation and how an individualized plan of care is established

  o appropriate indications for referral

  o therapeutic interventions & indications
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• Recommended: All students

• One week rotation

• Clinic schedule: Monday, Wednesday-Friday ~8am-6pm; Saturday am; occasional Tuesdays (daily schedule based on patient load)

• Please contact Dr. Amoldy via email to schedule:
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- Study/prep recommendations:
  - Review anatomy: attachments and insertions; muscle actions; nerve innervation
  - Review tissue healing time frames
  - Review gait analysis
  - Read articles assigned by Rehab Practitioner (please email Dr. Courtney Amoldy, DPT, Friday prior to rotation week for arrival times and to receive articles)
What you are expected to do:

• Collaborate with physical rehabilitative practitioner
• Chart reviews each morning
• Gait analysis and movement assessment
• Critical thinking
• Research diagnoses & scientific evidence for specific therapeutic interventions
• Participate in rehab sessions as indicated
• Have fun and enjoy participating in improving a patient’s function and quality of life!!
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