

AGREEMENT OF COOPERATIVE SERVICES FOR A  
PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT (PTA) PROGRAM

BETWEEN

MID MICHIGAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

AND

NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE

This agreement, made this 1<sup>th</sup> day of March 2017, between  
Mid Michigan Community College, Harrison, Michigan (hereafter referred to as  
MMCC), and Northwestern Michigan College OF Traverse City, Michigan  
(hereafter referred to as NMC).

Whereas, both colleges desire to make available a PTA Program to their  
students and;

Whereas, both colleges desire to provide educational service to their  
students in the most economical way, and;

Whereas, both colleges recognize the community and professional need  
for PTA personnel, and;

Whereas, MMCC does provide a PTA Program;

Now, therefore, for and in consideration of the premises and the mutual  
covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. NMC:
  - a. Provide academic courses for these students at NMC as agreed in Addendum A.
  - b. Provide academic advising for students who have identified interest in PTA.
  - c. Refer qualified candidates who have met the prerequisite requirements or the NMC equivalent to MMCC for program entry (See Addendum A).

2. MID MICHIGAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE:

- a. Maintain a PTA Program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE).
- b. Provide overall supervision by the program director.
- c. Accept the college application of the NMC students involved in this agreement, without application fees.
- d. Accept all satisfactorily earned credits taken both at NMC and MMCC.
- e. Provide specific PTA Curriculum (including clinical education courses and Orientation to Physical Therapy) for NMC students for a total of 41 credit hours as specified in Program Guide.
- f. Clinical education placements for NMC students will take into consideration their home address. The availability of clinical education placements is limited by site volunteering.
- g. NMC students will take PTA and other required curriculum courses at MMCC and unless in-district residency is substantiated, NMC students will pay out-of-district rates.
- h. Grant the Associate in Applied Science Degree to all NMC students who complete the requirements for the degree.

3. NMC AND MID MICHIGAN COMMUNITY COLLEGES:

The Financial Aid Departments will mutually explore and formulate methods to provide those qualified students full financial aid in the event a split course schedule becomes necessary.

4. STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

Students need to take at least 15 credit hours at NMC in order to qualify for this articulation agreement.

5. TERMINATION

- a. This agreement may be terminated at any time by either party by notice given to the other party in writing at least one year prior to the effective date of such termination; provided, however, that NMC students enrolled at MMCC at the time of the notice be allowed to finish the entire program at MMCC even if the students have more than one year (but not to exceed two years) left in the program.
- b. This agreement will be reviewed and revised as necessary but shall remain in effect until termination as specified by the Termination clause of this agreement.
- c. This agreement is binding on all successors and assigns of MMCC and NMC.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, MMCC AND NMC have executed this agreement as of 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.

MID MICHIGAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

By: Christine M. Hammond

President Christine M. Hammond

NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE

By: Timothy J. Nelson

President Timothy J. Nelson

NMC  
And  
Mid Michigan Community College  
Shared PTA Curriculum

Addendum A

Prerequisite classes offered at NMC to be completed prior to admission into the PTA Program are as follows:

<u>Course #:</u>	<u>Credits:</u>	<u>Course Name:</u>
HAH 101	3	Medical Terminology
BIO 227	4	Human Anatomy & Physiology I
BIO 228	4	Human Anatomy & Physiology II
ENG 111	4	English Composition
COM 111	4	Public Speaking

Note: BIO 115 Cell, Plant & Ecosystem Biology is also recommended.

BIO 227 and BIO 228 both need to be taken at NMC to transfer to MMCC as BIO 141 and BIO 142.

PTA 101, which is a prerequisite (Orientation to Physical Therapy, 1 credit) is to be taken at MMCC or equivalent earned.

The following General Education courses included in the shared PTA curriculum are offered at NMC. It is recommended that they be completed prior to beginning the program.

CIT 100	3	Computers in Business – An Intro
MTH 23	4	Beginning Algebra
PSY 101	3	Introduction to Psychology
PHY 105	4	Physics of the World Around Us

Additionally, SSC 200 is to be taken at MMCC or equivalent earned. This requirement may also be met by taking 9 hrs in 2 Social Science disciplines, 3 out of 9 credits must be at a 200 level.

Additionally, HUM 200 or HUM 253 is to be taken at MMCC or equivalent earned. This requirement may also be met by taking 9 hrs of Humanities with at least 3 credits at the 200 level, or 6 hrs of Humanities & 3 hrs of Fine Arts, one of which is at the 200 level.

For all prerequisite courses, a grade of a "B-" or higher must be earned unless an institution uses a non-standard scale. Then, a grade of a BC (2.5) must be earned.

Anatomy & Physiology courses must have been completed within five years of the date the student formally begins the program.

Students who have earned a bachelor's degree will be exempt from both the 100 and 200 level general education requirements with the exception of math.