Alice Salzman, PT, EdD

I earned a Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy from University of Illinois at Chicago, a Master of Arts in Religion from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, and an EdD in Adult and Continuing Education from Northern Illinois University. My interests in physical therapists’ professional development and effective teaching practices began as a clinician/clinical instructor and grew through my studies in Adult Continuing Education. These interests drive my service activities in the Academy of Physical Therapy Education (APTE) and my teaching focus. I have served on the faculties of Northwestern University and Northern Illinois University. I served as an ACCE/DCE for 20 years and teach content/courses covering the psychosocial aspects of human behavior, professional ethics, teaching and learning, and topics related to professional practice. I have taught in the New Faculty Development Workshop sponsored by APTE for four years and am honored to work with the experienced and talented workshop faculty. From 2006 through 2016, I served on the APTE CSM Program Committee, leading for 6 years as Chair. Serving as Chair included reviewing and selecting CSM proposals, scheduling sessions, recruiting session moderators, providing feedback to speakers, and mentoring my successor. In addition to responsibilities in the APTE, I have organized and taught continuing education courses and was a Credentialed Trainer for the Credentialed Clinical Instructor Program. Finally, I have been a member of Health Volunteers Overseas since 1993, serving as Program Director for Peru and as a member and current Chair of the Physical Therapy Steering Committee.

Candidate Statement:
I would be honored to serve another term as Representative-at-Large for Professional Development. I have sought to foster the professional development of physical therapists and physical therapist assistants for several years through my research and service activities. I enjoy working with experienced course faculty as part of the New Faculty Development Workshop (FDW) and have recruited and mentored new workshop faculty. In 2018, I added a 3-hour workshop for Directors/Academic Coordinators of Clinical Education to the FDW and recruited 3 DCEs to be instructors. The DCE/ACCE workshop was very well-received and will continue to be a part of the FDW. Currently, I am working with the Academic Faculty SIG (AFSIG) to create a Mid-Career Faculty Workshop for summer, 2019, to address learning needs identified by the AFSIG members. I believe that it is important to continue collaborating with APTE SIG Chairs and the CSM and ELC Program Chairs to develop educational opportunities to address the learning needs of clinical and academic members of the APTE in various ways, such as workshops, sessions at CSM and the Education Leadership Conference, and webinars.