COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MARSHALL UNIVERSITY AND CONCORD UNIVERSITY FOR: DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

This Agreement is entered into this 15 day of September 2021, between Marshall University, a State of West Virginia institution of higher education (Marshall) and Concord University, a State of West Virginia institution of higher education (Concord), collectively (the Parties).

Whereas, Marshall University, through its College of Health Professions, School of Physical Therapy (MUSOPT), offers the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree; and

Whereas, It is the desire of the Parties for highly qualified students attending Concord University to enter the Marshall University DPT program.

Wherefore, the parties agree as follows:

- Concord University will provide an undergraduate education that meets the stated requirements for MUSOPT. Students at Concord University may pursue any undergraduate major; however, students must successfully complete the required prerequisite courses.
- 2. MUSOPT will accept up to two (2) students each year in its Doctor of Physical Therapy program provided the students have met the following criteria:
 - a. Complete an undergraduate degree, including the required prerequisite courses, from Concord University prior to matriculation into the Marshall University School of Physical Therapy;
 - b. Attained an overall cumulative undergraduate grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale or higher;
 - c. Attained a grade point average of 3.4 on a 4.0 scale or higher in the required prerequisite courses, which include but are not limited to: BIOL 101, BIOL 102, CHEM 101, CHEM 102, CHEM 111, CHEM 112, PHYS 101, PHYS 102, BIOL 335 and BIOL 336, MATH 105, and PSY 101 and PYS 205, or PSY 221 or PSY 422. Higher level courses may be substituted for lower-level courses in the same area.
 - d. Attained a minimum grade of B in each required prerequisite course;
 - e. Complete a verified application with the Physical Therapy Centralized Application Service (PTCAS) by the published deadline of the year prior to matriculation with all required elements completed (e.g., essay, letters of recommendation, undergraduate transcript, GRE scores, and clinical observation hours);
 - f. Receive a total GRE® score (Verbal + Quantitative) of 298 or higher with a 3.5 on a 5.0 scale for the Analytic Writing score. GRE® scores are to be submitted using the following school code [Marshall U Sch Phy Therapy PTCAS Code = 0323];
 - g. Complete the Altus Suite (CASper Test & Snapshot) by the published deadline of the year prior to matriculation:
 - h. Successfully complete the MUSOPT interview process;
 - i. Complete the Marshall University supplemental application; and
 - j. Pay the non-refundable seat deposit and Marshall University supplemental application fee.
- 3. All notices required under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given (i) if delivered by hand and receipted for by the party to whom said notice or other communication shall have been directed, or by (ii) mailed by certified or registered mail with postage prepaid, to the following addresses:

Marshall University 2847 5th Avenue Huntington, WV 25705 Concord University P.O. Box 1000 Vermillion Street Athens, WV 24712

4. This Agreement may be terminated upon six (6) months written notice to the other party. Provided that, any Student who has entered the program will be permitted to finish the program.

- 5. This Agreement may be immediately terminated if either party loses their accreditation status or ceases doing business.
- 6. This Agreement may not be assigned without the written consent of the other party.
- 7. This Agreement may be modified or amended upon mutual agreement of the parties.
- 8. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of West Virginia.
- 9. The Parties to this Agreement are not partners or joint venturers with each other and nothing herein shall be construed to make them partners or joint venturers or impose any liability as such on either of them.
- 10. The provisions of this Agreement are intended to bind the Parties as to each other and are not intended to and do not create rights in any other person or confer upon any other person any benefits, rights or remedies, and no person is or is intended to be a third-party beneficiary of any of the provisions of this Agreement.

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