

PT Section

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The past several months have been a very busy time for all of our PTs. Unlike the previous Gulf War, we have had a number of therapists deployed, and they are demonstrating the value we add in caring for our deployed forces. In their absence, our clinic therapists have been kept busy meeting existing patient care demands and also caring for those soldiers that have been injured and returned to their home duty station. OIF has required long hours and dedicated service and I am fortunate to work with such a phenomenal group of therapists.

As most know by now, I have put in my retirement paperwork after 28+ years of service. It was not an easy decision, because there is so much positive going on for Army PT, but felt it was the proper time to let someone else take the lead. LTC Theresa Schneider has held a variety of clinical and non clinical jobs to include Chief Physical Therapy, Second Infantry Division, USAMEDDAC Fort Polk and Fort Sill, Health Promotion Coordinator, United States Army Sergeants Major Academy, and Executive Officer, Task Force Med Eagle VI. She is presently serving as the Executive Officer to the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1, Forces Command. In addition to physical therapy, LTC Schneider has a background in education and health care administration, and is board certified as an orthopedic clinical specialist. I have had the opportunity to travel with LTC Schneider to San Antonio to continue work on the MARC and also to the Mary Lipscomb Hamrick research course to learn a little more about USARIEM and to meet with the therapists attending the course. It has been wonderful working with her and I am sure you will find that with her diverse background she will be a great leader for the Physical Therapy Section.