Acute Care Section
Combined Sections Meeting - Abstract Reviewer Form

ID #__________ Format: POSTER_____ PLATFORM_____

1-Exceptional (exceptionally strong, no weaknesses)
2-Outstanding (extremely strong, minor weakness)
3-Excellent (very strong with some minor weaknesses)
4-Very good (strong, numerous minor weaknesses)
5-Good (strong, at least one moderate weakness)
6-Satisfactory (some strengths, moderate weakness)
7-Fair (some strength, moderate weaknesses)
8-Marginal (few strengths, major weakness)
9-Poor (few strengths, numerous major weaknesses)
10-reject (any strengths cannot be overcome by serious weaknesses)

Overall Abstract Score: _____
(Does not have to equal the average of the significance, approach, writing.)

1. **Significance:** Does the work address a problem or a critical barrier to progress in acute care physical therapy? How will the work improve scientific knowledge, technical capability, and/or clinical practice? Will the work generate interest for Section members?

**Score:**
**Comments:**

1 = Landmark work of interest to nearly all members.
3 = Important work of great interest to some members and of some interest to most members.
5 = Results are of average importance.
7 = Not very important work for field but does have some indirect relevance to acute care practice.
9 = Has no real impact for acute care rehabilitation.

2. **Approach:** Research abstract design must include Purpose, Method, Results, and Conclusion. Clinical/Special Interest abstracts must include: Purpose, Case or Clinical Application Description, Outcomes/Discussion, Conclusion/Significance/ Clinical Merit. Add one point for any lacking element. Are the overall strategy, methodology, and analyses well-reasoned and appropriate for the objective? Does the project address protection of confidentiality and/or for protection of human subjects?

**Score:**
**Comments:**

1 = Outstanding concept with clinical implications well-articulated.
3 = Well planned, logical sequence, completed without flaws.
5 = Fundamentally sound work with some minor deficits in case description, outcomes, or clinical applications.
7 = Significant deficits in purpose or case description, results or conclusion absent.
9 = Contains fundamental flaws in presentation; unable to identify any discrete acute care clinical implications.

3. **Quality of Writing:** Is the abstract logical and well-organized? Is the objective well-defined and answered in the results/conclusion section?

**Score:**
**Comments:**

1 = Logical, organized, clearly written.
3 = Generally well-written, major points clear, style acceptable but not outstanding (people first language).
5 = Some flaws that may hinder understanding of minor points.
7 = Reader must exert effort to understand major and minor points.
9 = Difficult to understand and poorly organized.

Recommendation: _____ accept as platform _____ accept as poster _____ reject