



## 2016 Award Presentations

February 19, Hilton Anaheim: California Ballroom A  
Following the HPA Business Meeting (6:30 pm – 8:00 pm)

### Janice Kuperstein, PT, PhD, MEd

#### Outstanding Service Award



Janice Kuperstein, PT, PhD, MEd is the Associate Dean for Clinical Engagement in the University of Kentucky College of Health Sciences and the Chair of the Rehabilitation Sciences Department. She has a joint appointment in the College of Medicine and spent seven years co-directing the third year clerkship in Family and Community Medicine. In both Colleges, the majority of her teaching involves current and future models of healthcare delivery and an interprofessional focus. She is a founding member of the UK Center for Interprofessional Health Education and was recently named in their inaugural class of Center Fellows. She is also a founding member of the Kentucky Appalachian Rural Rehabilitation Network – a network established to investigate and develop strategies to reduce disability and improve quality of life for individuals with neurological impairments living in underserved and impoverished rural

Appalachian counties.

In her more than 35 years of practice, she has served as a PT in pediatric, school system, hospice, and acute care environments. Prior to joining the UK faculty in 1996, she served as the Chief Operating Officer of a mid-sized acute care hospital in Lexington. She believes that her diverse experiences prepared her well for her current roles.

Dr. Kuperstein served on the Kentucky Board of Physical Therapy (KBPT), including a term as Chair, and currently serves as a monitor for the Board. She has held many roles in KPTA including Chair of the Quality Improvement Committee and Chair of the Ethics Committee, and currently serves as the KPTA Liaison to the KBPT. She recently accepted appointment to the Center for Personalized Education for Physicians, where she is faculty for the Problem Based Professional Ethics Course (ProBE).

Janice Kuperstein has been an active member of the Section on Administration and the Section on Health Policy & Administration. She joined the publications committee in 2003 and became chair of this committee in 2009 which continues today. She is the Editor of our Section publication: HPA The Catalyst.

The publication's value in our Section has evolved considerably through her leadership, specifically the growth in quality and quantity of manuscript submissions, the peer review process, and eventual publication.

The role of editor is complex and demanding. Besides editing, there is the delicate prodding of Board members for their reports, often followed by editing under harried deadlines. There is the assistance provided to the publisher of aspects including layout, copy editing, and advertising solicitation. There is also the associated development of and accountability for the budget each year.

The role of Publications chair includes a position on the Board of Directors. Dr. Kuperstein provides wisdom, constructive inquiry, and an innate ability to provide clarity and leadership whether formally during a BOD meeting or in numerous committee meetings.

Dr. Kuperstein was one of the original LAMP attendees in its forming years, and has represented the Section through many presentations and at the National Student Conclave.

She has been a mentor to so many in our Section, including me. She provided multiple opportunities for personal growth of committee members and their service to the Section. Her organizational talents and strengths have attracted new members for the Section, its committees, and A.P.T.A.