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Abstract:

Physical outcome in Hippotherapy have been identified in many studies. Nonetheless, researchers have highlighted the lack of clinical assessment tools used in clients with neuromotor disorders to determine effectiveness of Hippotherapy before and after sessions.

An App has been created at Saskatchewan Polytechnic, a Canadian Academic Institution, in partnership with four departments, Arts and Sciences, Computer System Technology, Software Developer and Media Developer. This App was based on my thesis research which developed an outcome measure, in the context of Hippotherapy, to evaluate postural control and gross motor functions in clients with

neuromotor disorders which had a reliability score of inter-rater and test-retest above 0.90 (ICC values).

The purpose of this presentation is to introduce this outcome measure App, developed for the Hippotherapy community, to foment academic collaboration and future research studies.