



ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION

Accessibility Policy

The American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) is committed to making Combined Sections Meeting (CSM) accessible to all persons. Anyone requiring accommodations due to a disability in order to participate in APTA's Combined Sections Meeting is asked to check the appropriate ADA box when registering for the conference and/or reserving housing. Please note the details of your requirements. Specific requests also can be made directly by e-mailing: conferences@apta.org or by phone at 703/706-8510.

Event Locations

CSM programming will occur at three locations: McCormick Place's Lakeside Center, the 5th floor of the South Building of the McCormick Place (2301 S. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL), and at the Hilton Chicago (720 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL).

All APTA sponsored evening activities will take place at the Hilton Chicago and The Palmer House (17 East Monroe Street, Chicago, IL).

Schedules

Sessions will begin and end at the same time each day Thursday through Saturday, with 30 minutes between sessions to provide ample time for attendees to get to their next session.

Preconference courses are scheduled:

Tuesday, February 7, and Wednesday, February 8

- 8:00 am–5:30 pm

Educational sessions are scheduled:

Thursday, February 9 through Saturday, February 11

- 8:00 am–10:00 am
- 10:30 am–12:30 pm
- 3:30 pm–5:30 pm

Exhibit Hall Hours are scheduled:

Thursday, February 9 through Friday, February 10

- 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
- Saturday, February 11
- 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Hotel Information



The headquarter hotels for APTA's Combined Sections Meeting are the Chicago Hilton and The Palmer House. The overflow properties are the Renaissance Black Stone, Best Western Grand Park, and Hampton Majestic. All of the hotels have informed APTA that they are ADA compliant. Complimentary shuttle service and evening activities sponsored in conjunction with CSM 2012 are scheduled at the Hilton Chicago and The Palmer House hotels only. See *Tentative Bus Schedule* for details.



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Reservations for Accessible Rooms

APTA has reserved a number of accessible rooms at each property. To request an accessible room, or to make any other special requests for your stay, please contact a J. Spargo representative as soon as possible:

- **Online:** Visit: <http://www.apta.org/CSM/HousingTravel/> with your Reservation ID to modify your reservation and to make ADA requests 24 hours a day.
- **Phone:** APTA’s Housing Center at 877/585-6003. If outside the USA/Canada: 703/449-6418. The APTA Housing Center is open Monday thru Friday, 8:30 am–5:00 pm ET.

Transportation & Parking in Chicago

APTA will provide shuttles for attendees traveling between the Hilton Chicago, The Palmer House, and McCormick Place Lakeside Center each day of the conference. Attendees are encouraged to book at the Hilton Chicago and The Palmer House to better assist the association in determining the most appropriate and efficient transportation schedules.

On-Call Accessible Transportation



Accessible vehicles are available during the scheduled shuttle hours from the Chicago Hilton and The Palmer House and to and from McCormick Place Lakeside Center. To arrange for accessible transportation during scheduled shuttle hours, please call 800/621-4153. Please request service at **least 30 minutes in advance** of desired pickup time. Accessible pick-up/drop-off locations at McCormick Place Lakeside Center Gate 37 and South Building Gate 4.

Shuttle Bus Hours of Operation and Pick-Up/Drop-Off Locations

| Shuttle Bus Schedule | Hotel | Location |
|---|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Tuesday, February 7–Saturday, February 11 7:00 am–11:00 am & 3:00 pm–7:00 pm | Chicago Hilton | 8th Street Entrance |
| | The Palmer House | Wabash Street Entrance |
| | Renaissance Black Stone & | Chicago Hilton |
| | Best Western Grand | 8th Street Entrance |
| | Hampton Majestic | The Palmer House |
| | | Wabash Street Entrance |

Taxicabs



The Americans with Disabilities Act requires all ground transportation companies provide accessible vehicles. It is recommended that individuals needing this service make arrangements in advanced with their chosen service provider. To order an accessible taxi, call the centralized dispatch service toll-free at 800/281-4466. Please note that arrangements and payments for such transportation are the responsibility of the attendee.

Disability Parking



Full details on disability parking in Illinois including a “Persons with Disabilities Certification Placard” application form, which are available online at www.dmv.org/il-illinois/disabled-drivers.php or call 217/782-2709.



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Mobility Constraints



Due to the size of McCormick Place Lakeside Center and the Chicago Hilton, the distance between sessions can be considerable. If you are a regular wheelchair user, you should bring your chair with you. For those attendees that do not bring their own wheelchair or have mobility needs that may require mobility assistance onsite, electric scooters can be rented. Scootaround is the mobility equipment provider at McCormick Place. Scootaround will have a representative available onsite to confirm your arrangements. If you would like to make a reservation with Scootaround, please contact 888/441-7575, reserve online <http://www.scootaround.com/rentals/m/mccormickplace/>, or visit them onsite adjacent to registration on Level 2 of McCormick Place's Lakeside Center.

McCormick Place Lakeside Center

Elevators

Elevators are located near the main entrances in all McCormick Place buildings, and near the main exhibit halls on all levels.

Entrances and Exits



McCormick Place has 4 ADA-accessible entrances and exits, 2 of which are close to Lakeside Center, the home of CSM 2012. The designated drop-off points for taxis and cars that provide ramped curbs and automatic entry doors are:

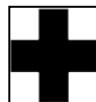
- Lakeside Center (East Building): Drop-off at Gate 37 (car drop-off at Gate 31); Pick-up at Gate 31 and 32
- South Building: Drop-off or pick-up at Gate 4.

Parking Lots



Accessible parking is available in Lot A (located on Martin Luther King Drive) and Lot C (located underground in McCormick Place Lakeside Center). Parking fees for Lots A and C are \$19/day.

First Aid Stations



First Aid areas are located in each building of McCormick Place:

- Lakeside Center: Level 1 near, the Arie Crown Theater Dressing Room Entrance
- South and North Buildings: Level 2.5 of the Grand Concourse, near the FedEx Kinko
- West Building: Level 1, near the Transportation Center