NEXT 2019 ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION

Accessibility Policy

The American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) is committed to making the 2019 NEXT Conference and Exposition accessible to all persons. Anyone requiring accommodations due to a disability in order to participate in APTA's NEXT is asked to check the appropriate ADA box when registering for the conference and/or reserving housing and note the details of your requirements. Specific requests also can be made directly by email (preferred method of contact) or by phone at 703/706-3223.

Event Location

NEXT programming and activities will occur at the Hilton Chicago located at 720 South Michigan Ave, Chicago, IL 60605.

Hotel Reservations for Accessible Rooms

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

- **Online:** Visit: [http://www.apta.org/NEXT/HousingTravel/](http://www.apta.org/NEXT/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.

Hilton Chicago Accessibility Information

Hilton Chicago has wheelchair ramps, automatic doors, passenger elevators, accessible rooms, and accessible restrooms. Please note that the registration desk is not accessible.

**Entrances and Exits**

The public entrance is accessible with routes to the accessible guest rooms, registration area, meeting/ballroom area, the business center, exercise facilities, spa, swimming pool, at least one restaurant.

**Parking Lots**

Accessible self-parking is available in the Hilton Chicago parking garage. This is available on a first come, first-served basis. Spaces are marked accordingly, as well as spaces designated for van access only. Parking is $62 per day.

**Disability Parking in Chicago**

DISABLED PERSONS PLACARD OR LICENSE PLATES OF ANY STATE ARE RECOGNIZED IN CHICAGO. INTERNATIONAL VISITORS WILL REQUIRE A TEMPORARY PLACARD. IF YOU NEED A DISABILITY PARKING PLACARD, PLEASE APPLY IN ADVANCE THROUGH THE ILLINOIS DMV USING THIS FORM. FULL DETAILS OF DISABILITY PARKING IN CHICAGO ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE.
Access to Health Care
APTA will have a first aid station next to the security office in the lobby area. The University of Illinois Hospital located at 1740 West Taylor Street is approximately 3 miles from the hotel, and is a full service medical facility providing 24 hour emergency care. The hospital main phone number is 866-600-2273.

Mobility Constraints
The NEXT conference takes place in the same hotel on multiple floors. If you are a regular wheelchair user, you should bring your chair. For those attendees that do not bring their own wheelchair or have mobility needs that may require assistance, APTA encourages you to make arrangements prior to arriving onsite. Local rental company options include:

**Howard Medical**
Phone: 773-278-1440  
Website: [www.howardmedical.com](http://www.howardmedical.com)

**Scootaround**
Phone: 1-888-441-7575  
Website: [https://locations.scootaround.com/chicago](https://locations.scootaround.com/chicago)

Make your reservation early to ensure availability. All arrangements are the attendees’ responsibility.

Taxicabs
The Americans with Disabilities Act requires all ground transportation companies provide accessible vehicles. It is recommended that individuals requiring this service make arrangements in advance with their chosen service provider. Please note that arrangements and payments for such transportation are the responsibility of the attendee.

Contact
Please email [conferences@apta.org](mailto:conferences@apta.org) if you have questions.