

EVELYN J. MACKIN, P.T.



Evelyn J. Mackin, P.T. has devoted her life's work to the specialty of Hand Rehabilitation.

Mrs. Mackin, along with James M. Hunter, M.D. and Lawrence H. Schneider, M.D.

established The Philadelphia Hand Center in 1973, one of the first facilities in the country integrating the specialties of Hand Surgery and Hand Therapy. Because of their vision and dedication, the Hand Center quickly became a model for many other centers subsequently developed. Mrs. Mackin, in particular, devoted much of her career to promoting education and research in Hand Rehabilitation. The widely successful symposium, Surgery and Rehabilitation of the Hand, first developed by Dr. Schneider, Dr. Hunter, and Mrs. Mackin, is in its 38th year and is as popular as when first introduced, drawing a national and international audience. The text, Rehabilitation of the Hand, just published its 6th edition. This text is used as a basic reference for hand therapists and is considered The Bible of hand therapy. Mrs. Mackin was one of the founding members and past Presidents of the American Society of Hand Therapists and the first President of the International Federation of Societies for Hand Therapy and was also the first editor of the Journal of Hand Therapy, a peer-reviewed scientific journal.

The culmination of Mrs. Mackin's dedication to training and education in Hand Rehabilitation is this Fellowship named for her, the Evelyn J. Mackin Fellowship in Hand Therapy.

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*Evelyn J. Mackin
Fellowship in Hand Therapy*



THE FELLOWSHIP

The Evelyn J. Mackin Fellowship at The Philadelphia Hand Center was established in 1998, sponsored by the Hand Rehabilitation Foundation and North Coast Medical.

A training experience like no other, the six-month fellowship offers qualified candidates the opportunity to increase their knowledge and skills with the highly skilled Hand Therapists and the world renowned Hand Surgeons at The Philadelphia Hand Center.

Under their tutelage and mentoring, the Mackin Fellow will be able to develop competence and confidence in the rehabilitation management of a variety of hand and upper extremity disorders. Primarily a clinical training experience, the fellowship also has strong academic underpinnings supported in part by a close association with the Occupational and Physical Therapy faculty at Thomas Jefferson University.



FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

- Patient Care with a caseload of patients having a variety of acute and chronic upper extremity conditions.
- Weekly didactic sessions with Hand Center therapy staff, discussing patient caseload, assigned readings, and lab sessions to practice splinting and treatment techniques.
- A day in surgery each month with one of The Philadelphia Hand Center surgeons, with emphasis on anatomy, basic surgical techniques, and a unique perspective on postoperative rehabilitation.
- A day in the office each month with a Hand Center surgeon, gaining additional experience with physical examination, interpretation of radiographs, and diagnosis of upper extremity problems with the opportunity to develop surgeon-therapist communication skills.
- Bimonthly Journal Club with Thomas Jefferson University faculty and Hand Center staff.
- Weekly attendance at Hand Surgery Fellows conference covering case presentations, Journal Club, and various surgery topics.
- Teaching Assistant opportunities at Thomas Jefferson University Physical and Occupational Therapy classes.
- Opportunity to attend Hand Rehabilitation Foundation educational programs including the annual March Symposia, *Surgery and Rehabilitation of the Hand*, the *Dorothy B. Kaufmann Lectureship*, and *Jefferson Hand Club meetings*.
- Research Collaboration



TIME PERIOD Full-time, six-month fellowship from January through June or July through December each year. A monthly educational stipend is provided.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS Applicant must be a graduate of an accredited occupational or physical therapy program (Bachelor's or Master's Degree), licensed, have a minimum of one year's clinical experience, preferably in the area of upper extremity rehabilitation.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS Applicants will be required to submit academic transcripts, three letters of recommendation, curriculum vitae, and a letter stating prior hand therapy experience and goals. Deadline for applications and further information can be found on the Hand Rehabilitation Foundation's website at www.handfoundation.org. or by contacting Terri Skirven, OTR/L, CHT, Director of Therapy

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