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OPAF First Swim now offers Training with Credits

May 8, 2018 – Charlotte, NC – OPAF & The First Clinics announces that First Swim is now approved for continuing education credits for therapists through ProCert, the continuing competence activity accreditation program of the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT). First Swim will offer both clinical classroom education as well as a hands on Clinic with participants to give therapists, swim instructors and all members of the rehab team the tools to continue working with the physically challenged population both in and around the pool. Clinicians will receive 5.5 credits for continuing education for attending First Swim. Clinical education will be led by one of three First Swim Clinical educators and the pool portion of the day will be led by a First Swim instructor.

This expansion of First Swim to include clinical education for all members of the rehab team is made possible through support from the American Board of Certification in Orthotics, Prosthetics and Pedorthics. OPAF plans to expand First Fit in the same manner, hopefully by the end of 2018.

With First Swim, OPAF now offers three expanded First Clinics with training and education with the First Clinic experience of introductory level adaptive recreation to those with physical or mobility challenges.

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About OPAF: Serving as the philanthropic arm of the US orthotic and prosthetic community, the Orthotic & Prosthetic Activities Foundation (OPAF), develops, implements, partners and hosts adaptive recreational clinics for those with physical challenges. The First Clinics are recognized as leaders in adaptive recreation. Whether this is the first time a participant is trying an activity after illness, injury or episode or the first time they are ever trying, First Clinics offer top notch adaptive instruction specifically for them. Founded in 1995 to support the Paralympic Games in Atlanta, OPAF & The First Clinics have moved forward to offer introductory level adaptive recreation opportunities to everyone, not just the elite athlete. For more information on OPAF and The First Clinics, visit www.opafonline.org.