Dr. Raphael Sadiwa, PT, DPT, CLCP™

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Summary

- Over 30 years of experience as a physical therapist treating individuals throughout the lifespan
- Trusted and retained by AmLaw 50 law firms for expert analysis and testimony
- Qualified as an expert witness in federal court
- Highly skilled in performing comprehensive physical examinations and functional testing to assess impairment and disability
- Worked with attorneys and disability advocates to assist with dispute resolution in special education
- Experience in preparing expert witness reports to outline injury biomechanics, functional limitations and estimate future care costs to form a defensible opinion
- Proven ability to translate complex medical and functional data into language understandable by non-expert audience
- Adept at coordinating job accommodations for young adults with disabilities transitioning into workplace environments
- Extensive background in working with individuals affected by catastrophic disabilities including orthopedic injuries, brain injury, birth injury, SCI, amputations, and burns
- Peer-reviewed work on pediatric and brain injury published and cited in scientific journals

Experience

Expert Witness/ Certified Life Care Planner/Functional Capacity Evaluator
Injury Consulting, LLC • San Antonio, TX
04/2025 – Present

- Serve as a retained expert witness for plaintiff and defense counsel in personal injury and product liability litigation.
- Author comprehensive evidence-based reports detailing injury biomechanics, functional capacity, future care needs, and associated costs to clarify complex medical evidence for legal proceedings.
- Testifying expert witness for an AmLaw 50 international law firm (plaintiff) for a federal civil rights case for an 8th amendment violation.
- Previously retained as an expert witness by an AmLaw 50 international law firm (defense) for a discrimination case. Wrote an affidavit in support of an opposition to a motion for preliminary injunction.
- Testified in a deposition for a federal case.
- Accepted and qualified to testify in federal court for a civil rights case.
- Utilize a proprietary software for accurate regional pricing of CPT, DRG and HCPCS coded procedures and equipment.
- Conduct functional capacity evaluations for medical legal purposes.

Physical Therapist (1099-part time)
Click Clinician • San Antonio, TX
11/2024 - 12/2025

- Provide home health evaluations, reevaluations, and treatments to Medicare Part A patients.
- Supervise physical therapy assistants for treatment planning and revision.

Physical Therapist (1099-part time)
Luna Therapy • San Antonio, TX
09/2024 - Present

- Provide outpatient therapy services in the home for adults with orthopedic and neurological conditions.
- Provide individualized home exercise programs to support patient recovery.

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Physical Therapist (1099-part time)
Visionze Therapeutic Solutions • Dallas, TX
06/2023 – 05/2025

- Provided physical therapy services to adults with developmental disabilities in a virtual format.
- Wrote evaluation and progress reports in compliance with the requirements of the Medicaid waiver program.

Physical Therapist
San Antonio Independent School District • San Antonio, TX
07/1999 - Present

- Assess students' current functional level and interpret results to describe impairment and disability.
- Provide physical therapy services, encompassing areas such as mobility, transfer skills, gross motor abilities, posture and movement, endurance, training in the use of adaptive equipment, and recommendations necessary to support eligible students.
- Conduct training with instructional staff with various manual handling/lifting techniques such as floor to waist, waist to shoulder and shoulder to floor when physically assisting students with disabilities to promote proper body mechanics and reduce incidence of back injury. Observe staff for signs of unsafe biomechanical practices.
- Work with adult students with disabilities and collaborate with vocational teachers, job coaches and Texas Workforce Commission vocational rehabilitation counselors on the physical and health aspects needed for successful job placement and entry into the workforce. Recommend necessary job accommodations for successful placement.
- Support inclusion practices for students with disabilities by analyzing barriers impacting their full participation with their non-disabled peers.

Physical Therapist (1099-summer part time)
dba Leo Hipolito • Laredo, TX
06/2009 - 07/2009

- Provided physical therapy evaluation and 30-day reevaluation to adults and geriatric patients with chronic diseases such as stroke, amputation, burns, traumatic brain injury, spinal cord injury, heart disease, and diabetes in the home health setting.
- Designed individualized exercise programs for those with chronic conditions including stroke, heart disease, and brain injury.

Part time Physical Therapist
Access Quality Therapy Services • San Antonio, TX
07/2005 - 08/2007

- Provided after work and weekend physical therapy evaluations and treatments for patients in the home setting.
- Recommended adaptive equipment to promote functional independence.

Part time Physical Therapist (summer temporary coverage for another PT)
Triangle Therapeutics • Nederland, TX
06/2004 - 07/2004

- Provided outpatient physical therapy evaluations and treatments to patients with orthopedic and neurological diagnoses.

Part time Physical Therapist
Restorative Home Health • San Antonio, TX
03/2004 - 01/2007

- Provided after work and weekend physical therapy evaluations and treatments to patients in the home setting.
- Recommended and measured patients for adaptive equipment.

Physical Therapist
Therapists Unlimited • Dallas, TX
07/1997 - 07/1999

- Provided physical therapy staffing coverage in various settings including outpatient orthopedics, skilled nursing, rehabilitation units, home health, and schools across the Dallas/Ft. Worth Metroplex and surrounding areas.
- Participated in rehabilitation team conferences regarding resident progress, challenges, or needs.

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- Evaluated patients upon initial encounter to assess their condition and estimate rehabilitation potential, performing and documenting initial exams, reviewing data to identify problems, and determining diagnoses prior to intervention.

Physical Therapist
Columbia Navarro Regional Hospital • Corsicana, TX
01/1996 - 07/1997

- Provided physical therapy services in acute, skilled nursing, rehabilitation, and outpatient units to adult and geriatric patients with varied musculoskeletal, cardiopulmonary, integumentary, and neurological diagnoses. Diagnoses treated include amputations, burns, traumatic brain injury, stroke, and spinal cord injury.
- Participated in rehabilitation team conferences regarding patient progress, problems, or needs.
- Measured patient strength, motor development and function, sensory perception, functional capacity, and respiratory and circulatory efficiency, and recorded data.

Skills

Medical legal consulting, life care planning, medical cost projection, functional capacity evaluation, report writing for litigation, communication skills, research, statistics, assistive technology, time management, documentation review, evidenced-based practice, data collection, organizational skills

Education

Doctor of Physical Therapy
Boston University, Boston, MA
09/2007
GPA: 4.0

BS in Physical Therapy
University of Santo Tomas, Manila
04/1995
Cum Laude

Licenses/Certificates

Texas Physical Therapist License #1104404	1996-Present
ICHCC Certified Life Care Planner #1822	2025-Present
Certified DOT-RFC/RTW Examiner-FCE #138479	2025-Present

Awards

United Nations Online Volunteering Award 2007, University of Santo Tomas CRS Outstanding Alumni Award 2014, Department Employee of the Month November 2020

Publications

Sadiwa R. Addressing development delays among African children in post-conflict areas: an e-Health approach (poster abstract). *Physiotherapy*. 2011;97, Supplement 1:eS159 (cited in a peer reviewed journal)

Sadiwa R. Effects Of Using An Energy Efficient Brace On Gait, Function And Vocational Program Of An Adult High School Student With Chronic TBI: A Case Report (poster abstract). *Brain Inj.* 2010. 24: 402. (cited in a peer reviewed journal)

Sadiwa R. Poster 54: Effects of dual task training on a child with cerebral palsy: a case report using ICF-based quantitative analysis of functional progress. *Arch Phys Med Rehabil.* 2009. 90(10):e27-e28.

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Sadiwa R. Use of a ToeOFF® brace in an adult high school student with chronic TBI: a case report (poster abstract). *Pediatr Phys Ther.* 2009;21:129.

Sadiwa R. Empowering Africa. Advance Magazine Web Edition. Nov. 2008.

Sadiwa R. Bracing for Gait Improvement. Physical Therapy Products Magazine. Oct. 2008.

Citations/Impact of Research

The following scientific journals have cited my work in their research:

Fisher-Pipher, S., Kenyon, L. K., & Westman, M. (2017). Improving balance, mobility, and dual-task performance in an adolescent with cerebral palsy: A case report. *Physiotherapy Theory and Practice*, 33(7), 586–595. https://doi.org/10.1080/09593985.2017.1323359

Utunen H, Balaciano G, Arabi E, Tokar A, Bhatiasevi A, Noyes J. Learning interventions and training methods in health emergencies: A scoping review. *PLoS One*. 2024;19(7):e0290208. Published 2024 Jul 16. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0290208

Grunst MM, Wiederien RC, Wilken JM. Carbon fiber ankle-foot orthoses in impaired populations: A systematic review. *Prosthet Orthot Int*. 2023;47(5):457-465. doi:10.1097/PXR.0000000000000217

Peer-reviewed Presentations

Sadiwa, Raphael (2011). Addressing Developmental Delays Among African Children in Post-Conflict Areas: An E-Health Approach. Poster presentation at the 16th International World Confederation of Physical Therapy Congress, Amsterdam, Holland.

Sadiwa, Raphael (2010). Effects Of Using An Energy Efficient Brace On Gait, Function And Vocational Program Of An Adult High School Student With Chronic TBI: A Case Report. Poster presentation at the 8th World Congress on Brain Injury, Washington, DC.

Sadiwa, Raphael (2009). Effects of Using an Energy Efficient Brace on Gait, Function and Vocational Outcomes of an Adult High School Student with Chronic TBI: A Case Report. Poster presentation at the 17th IVO (Internationaler Verband der Orthopadie-Schuhtechniker) conference, The Hague, Netherlands.

Sadiwa, Raphael (2009). Effects of Dual Task Training on a Child with Cerebral Palsy: A Case Report. Poster presentation at the 2009 ACRM-ASNR Joint Educational Conference, Denver, Colorado.

Sadiwa, Raphael (2009). Effects of Dual Task Training on a Child with Cerebral Palsy: A Case Report. Poster presentation at the 5th World Congress of the International Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Istanbul, Türkiye.

Sadiwa, Raphael (2009). Effects of Using an Energy Efficient Brace on Gait, Function and Vocational Outcomes of an Adult High School Student with Chronic TBI: A Case Report. Poster presentation at the 3rd International Conference on Vocational Outcomes of Traumatic Brain Injury, Vancouver, BC, Canada.

Sadiwa, Raphael (2009). Use of a ToeOFF® brace in an Adult High School Student with Chronic TBI: A Case Report. Poster presentation at the 2009 APTA Combined Sections Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Sadiwa, Raphael (2008). Addressing Development Delays Among African Children in Post-Conflict Areas: An eHealth Approach. Platform presentation at the 21st World Congress of Rehabilitation International, Quebec City, Quebec, Canada.

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Testimony
(as of 9/16/26)

Deposition: 1

Trial: 1

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