

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Title: Doris E. Porter Collection

Dates: 1974-1979

Extent: ½ legal-size document case box (0.2 linear feet)

Creators: UT Southwestern; Physical Therapy students; Faculty Wives' Club

Acquisition info: The records in this collection were donated by Doris E. Porter in July 2017.

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Related Archival Materials:

Doris Porter oral history. American Physical Therapy Association.

<http://www.apta.org/History/OralHistories/>

Jim Murray Film: Doris Porter interview transcript, c. 1976, Box 13. UT Southwestern Collection, Series 1. UT Southwestern Archives.

http://library.utsouthwestern.edu/speccol/archives/FindingAid_UTSW_Coll.pdf

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

In 1970, Doris E. Porter founded the Department of Physical Therapy in what was then UT Southwestern's Allied Health Sciences School (known today as the School of Health Professions). Ms. Porter served as Chair of the Department of Physical Therapy from 1970-1978, retiring in 1980. Ms. Porter advocated for the licensure of physical therapists in Texas, and the Physical Therapy Practice Act was enacted by the 62nd Texas Legislature in 1971. The Act, which made licensure a requirement for physical therapists practicing in Texas, established a

nine-member Board of Physical Therapy Examiners to facilitate enforcement of the new state law, and Ms. Porter was a member of the first Board of Examiners. In 2000, Ms. Porter helped to establish the Doris E. Porter Professorship in Physical Therapy, which is the first endowed professorship in the School of Health Professions and provides support for research and instructional activities at the School.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The collection consists of class lists of the Department of Physical Therapy and cookbooks compiled by physical therapy students and the Faculty Wives' Club.

ARRANGEMENT OF ARCHIVAL MATERIALS

Folder Title

Box

Class Lists, 1977, 1979

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Cookbook, Faculty Wives Club, 1974

Cookbook, Physical Therapy Class of 1977

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