



News Release

For Immediate Release
November 2, 2021

Veronica Smith
Coordinator, Member Relations
(559) 298-3400, ext 304
vsmith@a4pt.org

Crenshaw Earns National Play Therapy Lifetime Achievement Award

(Clovis, CA) **David A. Crenshaw, PhD, ABPP, RPT-S**, clinical director at the Children's Home of Poughkeepsie in Poughkeepsie, NY, was presented the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Association for Play Therapy (APT) during its Oct. 12-17 conference in Little Rock, AR.

The award honored Crenshaw, a psychologist and registered play therapist-supervisor, for his lifetime achievements, contributions, and service to play therapy and the association.

"Crenshaw is a natural leader! He previously taught play therapy courses at John Hopkins University, and Columbia University, was a past President of the NY APT branch, and supervised over 100 doctoral and master's level interns over a 52-year career," says association CEO Kathy Lebby.

Play therapy is an approach favored by many licensed mental health professionals in the US and 25 other nations to therapeutically use play to help clients better describe and resolve their problems. It is particularly effective with children because, just as adults use words to communicate ideas and feelings, children use play.

APT is a national professional society that provides research, training, and credentialing programs to assist those professionals. Additional information is available at www.a4pt.org.

###

Photo attached.

For more information or a personal interview:

David A. Crenshaw – dcrenshaw@childrenshome.us