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**12-Year-Old Pittsburgh Native to Compete Sunday in
the ‘Tri My Best’ youth triathlon despite disability**

Trent Clayton Competes Despite Foot Drop Paralysis to Inspire Others

Pittsburgh, PA – November 4, 2015 – From a young age, Trent Clayton has always loved to run anywhere, and sometimes places he shouldn’t, according to his mother. Even foot drop paralysis, a condition brought on by hemiplegic cerebral palsy, couldn’t hold him back from his passion. Because of Trent’s perseverance, he held the national record in the ‘under 11’ age group in long jump and discus throw, designated by Wheelchair & Ambulatory Sports USA. In September he came in first place at the Diamond Man Challenge Youth division for boys and to top that all off he was appointed to be apart of the first and only national team of people with foot drop paralysis, Allard USA’s TeamUP.

Trent will challenge himself again by competing in ‘Tri My Best’ youth triathlon sponsored by **SOPAC (Section on Pediatrics Annual Conference)** this Sunday, November 8, 2015 in Pittsburgh, PA. Trent is able to compete as a TeamUP member using a technologically advanced, carbon fiber orthotic device made by Allard USA, known as the ToeOFF® brace.

Trent’s mother Darla Clayton says, “Trent’s first love is running. I’d have to tell him to slow down and that the grocery store was a ‘no running zone.’ Otherwise, he’d take off down the aisle. That’s why being a member of TeamUP is so important to him. What a great opportunity for Trent to encourage other kids to simply show up or maybe try something new.”

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