**History**

APCP had its early roots in Birmingham. Forward thinking paediatric physiotherapists led by Ann Mark and Mary Hazelwood put forward a proposal to form an association, with objectives from the very beginning to provide a forum for physiotherapists working with children to share ideas, provide appropriate training, and to gain recognition as a specific interest group within the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy.

An inaugural meeting was held at the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street on 22nd February 1973 and the response was overwhelming with over 100 attendees, and clearly demonstrated the need for such a fourm and for things to start immediately.

A committee was elected with representation from all regions of the UK and Moyna Gilbertson was elected as the first chairperson.