

Message from the Board:

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Section Showcase! And an extra thank you to our guests from around the country for representing their section! We hope that everyone was able to learn something new about APTA Sections and SIGs, as well as make the move to join their area of interest.

How to add a Section to your APTA profile:

Log In >> Click "My Profile" >> Scroll down to the Manage Your Membership section >> Click "Add sections/chapters" >> Follow the instructions on screen

Join us for our next meeting on
April 8 at 7 PM
with special guest:

**DR. SAVANNAH
OLSON**
PT, DPT, CLT
**Board-Certified
Clinical Specialist
in Oncologic PT**



Savannah received her DPT from UMary in 2010, and went on to obtain her certification in lymphedema therapy in 2014. She is also an APTA Board-Certified Clinical Specialist in Oncologic PT. She has worked in OP PT clinics in WA and ND, starting her work with the oncology population during her last clinical rotation. Initially, her practice focused on lymphedema risk reduction and has grown to include treatment during and after cancer treatments including chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy, cancer-related fatigue, weakness & deconditioning, and post-reconstructive surgery for all cancer survivors. She has developed the oncology rehabilitation program at Sanford Health, serve as the primary PT for the Survivorship Clinic, and screens patients at the Bismarck Cancer Center who may benefit from rehab services. She works closely with the cancer care team including oncologists, surgeons, radiation oncologists, nurse navigators, dietitians, and advanced practice providers to advocate for therapy services for all patients throughout their cancer journey.

Meeting link found here:
https://linktr.ee/apta_nd_ssig

MARCH MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

We had the pleasure to host nine of the student representatives from various sections throughout the APTA! There are various ways to participate including journal clubs, webinars, mentorship programs, residencies, and opportunities to receive academic scholarships and grants for research. Of course, being part of a section allows you to build your network, access CPGs, print fact sheets, and stay up-to-date on what's going on throughout the field of physical therapy.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APTA North Dakota

Spring Business Meeting:

April 18th at 12:00 noon via Teams.

Continuing Education

Managing Cervicothoracic Conditions in Clinical Practice:

Excelling at the Basics of Manual Physical Therapy

Dates: Friday, April 19th - Saturday, April 20th
Location: University of Jamestown PT Program

4190 26th Ave S, Fargo, ND

Cost: Life/Student Member = \$188

<https://aptand.com/event-5516107>

If you know of an event that you believe other students would benefit from, please send us the information so we can share with the rest of SSIG!

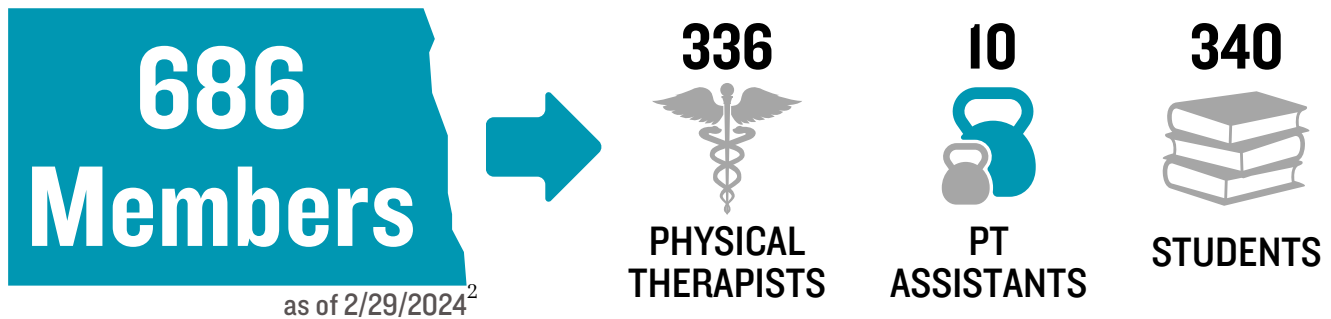
CHAPTERS, SECTIONS, AND SIG'S

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

CHAPTERS

“By joining APTA, you also join one of 51 chapters representing U.S. states and the District of Columbia. You can add additional chapter membership at any time. Chapters lead our advocacy in statehouses, and many offer regional districts that allow for involvement even closer to home. That’s in addition to events, professional development activities, and other networking opportunities that put you in touch with peers who understand regional issues.”¹

“Each chapter is governed by an elected board of directors, all of whom are available to discuss issues affecting the association and the physical therapy profession. The chapter president is responsible for governing and directing all chapter activities. The chief delegate participates in the House of Delegates, which is the highest decision-making body of the association, and makes decisions on issues that frequently have far-reaching implications for the association and the profession.”²



SECTIONS/ACADEMIES

“APTA sections, also referred to as academies in some instances, focus on a wide range of special interest topics, from patient populations, to practice areas, to policy areas. Some produce specialty publications, including scientific journals, and offer courses and conferences. No matter your interest, there’s probably a section for you.

You can add membership in a section or academy at any time.¹

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

“Both chapters and sections offer special interest groups. SIGs connect you with fellow members who share your interests or career path. SIGs can help you grow professionally, network with thought leaders, and stay on top of the latest developments. See the full list of available SIGs and then visit your chapter or section website to find out how to join.”¹

References:

1. Chapters and Sections. American Physical Therapy Association. Accessed March 21, 2024. <https://aptaapps.apta.org/componentconnection/chaptersandsections.aspx?UniqueKey=>
2. Component Profile: APTA North Dakota. American Physical Therapy Association. Updated February 29, 2024. Accessed March 21, 2024. <https://aptaapps.apta.org/componentconnection/profile.aspx>

SECTIONS & SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

ACUTE CARE

Residency & Fellowship SIG
Total Joint Replacement

AQUATICS

CARDIOVASCULAR & PULMONARY

CLINICAL ELECTRO/WOUND MGMT

Biophysical Agents (BPASIG)
Electrodiagnostics (EDXSIG)
Neuromusculoskeletal Ultrasonography
Student SIG
Wound Management (WMSIG)

EDUCATION

Academic faculty
Anatomy Educators
Clinical Education
PTA Educators
Residency/Fellowship Education
Scholarship of Education

FEDERAL

Amputation Care
Pelvic Health rehab SIG
Primary Care SIG

GERIATRICS

Balance & Falls
Bone Health
Cognitive and Mental Health
Global Health for Aging Adults
Health Promotion & Wellness
Residency & Fellowship

HAND & UPPER EXTREMITY

HOME HEALTH

LEADERSHIP & INNOVATION

Global Health
PT Proud
Technology

NEUROLOGY

Assistive Tech/Seating & Wheeled Mobility
Balance & Falls
Brain Injury
Degenerative Diseases
Residency & Fellowship
Spinal Cord Injury

ONCOLOGY

Balance & Falls
Hospice & Palliative Care
Immune System Disorders
Lymphatic Diseases
Pediatric
Residency
Student & New Professional

ORTHOPEDICS

Animal PT
Foot and Ankle
Imaging
Occupational Health PT
Pain Management
Performing Arts
Residency & Fellowship

PEDIATRICS

Academic & Clinical Educators
Adolescents & Adults w/ Diverse Abilities
Cardiovascular & Pulmonary
Early Intervention
Hospital-Based
Neonatology
Pediatric Sports-Fitness
Residency & Fellowship
School
Student & New Professional

PELVIC HEALTH

Early Professional (EPSIG)
Male Health (MSIG)
Pregnancy & Postpartum (PPSIG)
Student SIG

PRIVATE PRACTICE

Administrators Network

RESEARCH

Biomechanics Research
Early Career Research
Evidence Based Practice
Qualitative Research

SPORTS

Adaptive Sports
Emergency Response
Female Athlete
Golf & Golf Performance
Hip
Knee
Physically Challenged Athlete
Professional/Collegiate Therapist
Residency & Fellowship
Running
Shoulder
Sports Concussion
Sports Performance Enhancement
Tactical Athlete
Youth Athlete

