

The Benefits of Section Membership

The physical therapy profession is broad-based and diverse, representing a variety of specialized practice areas. Reflecting this diversity of practice, the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) offers individual memberships in its 19 nationwide special-interest organizations – one or more of which may be right for you!

These “sections” as they’re known, provide a forum in which physical therapists and physical therapist assistants can exchange ideas and techniques unique to their areas of practice, research and education. Sections provide you with:

Educational Opportunitites

Education programs – from lectures to home study courses are geared to all levels and interests.

The Sports Physical Therapy Section addresses the needs of members interested in athletic injury management, including acute care, treatment and rehabilitation, prevention and education. Monthly publication – *Journal of Orthopaedic and Sports Physical Therapy* and quarterly publication *North American Journal of Sports Physical Therapy* and various Home Study Courses are offered for Section members. ***Home Study Courses provide members with continuing education credits and all courses have been approved by both APTA and the NATA.*** The Section also offers members the opportunity to get involved with several Special Interest Groups (SIGS) based on the individuals area of interest. The SIG’s include Emergency Response, Shoulder, Knee, Female Athlete, Collegiate Athlete, and Pediatrics.

In return, the Sports Physical Therapy Section also sponsors various web-cast courses offered by the APTA.

APTA membership is a prerequisite to Section membership. For more information or to join, please contact the American Physical Therapy Association at 1-800-999-2782 or 703-684-2782.

Check out the Sports Physical Therapy Section's web site at www.spts.org



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