

Candidate Information

Treasurer

Name: Karen Berg PT, DPT

Board Certified Orthopedic Clinical Specialist

I have been a PT for over 30 years graduating from Wayne State University with a Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy in 1989 and completing my tDPT degree from Des Moines University in 2010. I became an ABPTS Board Certified Orthopedic Clinical Specialist in 2016. I spent 26 years of my career working full time in outpatient orthopedic settings moving through a variety of locations until 1994 when I began working for St. John Macomb Hospital at various satellite locations. I moved to NovaCare Rehabilitation in 2003 working full time until 2015 at which time I changed to contingent status. I moved into academia accepting my current position as a Co-Associate Director of Clinical Education and Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Michigan-Flint Physical Therapy Program in the fall of 2015. I have been a member of the APTA (orthopedic and education academies), and APTA MI since 1989. I am an active member of the Detroit Area Clinical Educators Forum, Co-President of the APTA MI Clinical Education Consortium, and the current APTA MI Secretary.

Candidate Statement:

I joined the APTA MI Board of Directors as the Secretary in January of 2017. I enjoy working with the APTA MI Leadership team and strive to meet and exceed the expectations of my role as the APTA MI Secretary. I take great pride in this role and the responsibility that goes with it. I have consistently attended all APTA MI Board of Director functions and meetings, actively participating to represent our members, and have submitted meeting minutes in a timely manner after each meeting. I attend APTA MI conferences along with the Educational Leadership Conference and Combined Sections Meetings to stay contemporary about the field of physical therapy.

I am term limited as the Secretary and am eager to continue to participate in the APTA MI leadership team. I feel the Treasurer position would be a great opportunity for me to continue to lead and learn about a different facet of APTA MI.

The challenges facing the field of physical therapy in Michigan and nationally are many. Being able to provide input and influence representing the APTA MI members is a charge that I take seriously. I will dedicate the time to help our professional association and field be successful. If elected as the Treasurer, I will continue to provide active, thoughtful, and forward thinking leadership along with being a good steward of finances to meet the needs of the APTA MI members as we continue to move our profession forward.