The American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) is a professional membership organization representing physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, and students. APTA’s sections provide forums for tailored educational programming, publications, social events, awards, and networking in your area of clinical interest or expertise.

- Access the latest clinical research through section journals and newsletters.
- Make valuable professional contacts through section meetings, online listservs and communities, and continuing education opportunities.
- Save money on continuing education through discounts on section seminars, audioconferences, and the annual Combined Sections Meeting (CSM).
- Gain recognition for your accomplishments through section awards, grants, and publishing opportunities.

APTA’s sections give you the resources you need to stay current, connected, and informed. Many sections also offer the opportunity to participate in special interest groups (SIGs) that focus even more specifically on the skills and knowledge within each area of interest. You’re sure to find one of interest to you.

### Acute Care Section
- [www.acutept.org](http://www.acutept.org)
- Journal of Acute Care Physical Therapy and Critical Edgemail e-newsletter
- Resource guides highlighting common acute care practice and management issues
- 2 practice focus groups: Emergency Department, Intensive Care Unit
- Special interest group: Total Joint Replacement

### Aquatic Physical Therapy Section
- [www.aquaticpt.org](http://www.aquaticpt.org)
- Journal of Aquatic Physical Therapy and Waterlines e-newsletter
- "Find an Aquatic PT Clinic" directory connecting consumers with your business
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### Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Section
- [www.cardiop.com](http://www.cardiop.com)
- Cardiopulmonary Physical Therapy Journal and quarterly e-newsletter
- Information about residencies and fellowships
- Resources to prepare for the Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Certified Specialist (CCS) exam
- Grant program for research funding

### Education Section
- [www.aptaeducation.org](http://www.aptaeducation.org)
- Journal of Physical Therapy Education
- Discounts on section resources and conferences, including Education Leadership Conferences and New Faculty Development workshops.
- Collaboration and networking with peers on the section’s email listserv

### Federal Physical Therapy Section
- [www.federalpt.org](http://www.federalpt.org)
- Collaboration among physical therapy uniformed and civilian personnel in the federal government
- Federal Physical Therapy Section programming at CSM
- Opportunities to work with APTA on issues that affect the practice of physical therapy

### Academy of Geriatric Physical Therapy
- [www.geriatricspt.org](http://www.geriatricspt.org)
- Journal of Geriatric Physical Therapy and GeriNotes
- Special interest groups: Balance and Falls, Bone Health, Cognitive and Mental Health, Health Promotion and Wellness, and Residency/Fellowship
- Discounted rates for CEEAA courses and section-sponsored continuing education
- Networking with other geriatric practitioners via listserv

### Hand Rehabilitation Section
- [www.handrehabsection.com](http://www.handrehabsection.com)
- HandPrint newsletter
- Discounted subscription to ASHT’s Journal of Hand Therapy
- Access to sources of funding for hand rehabilitation clinical research projects

### Section on Health Policy and Administration
- [www.aptahpa.org](http://www.aptahpa.org)
- Access to the section’s HPA Resource PT2 PAL
- Access to the section’s educational resources, podcasts, and events
- Access to administration and management employment opportunities
- Special interest groups: Global Health, Technology

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www.apta.org/Sections

Explore your Interest 2015
Home Health Section
www.homehealthsection.org
- Quarterly Report newsletter and Home Call e-newsletter
- Clinical resources and mentoring grant program for research funding
- Free practice tools specific to the home health setting including a toolbox of standardized tests and measures

Neurology Section
www.neuropt.org
- Journal of Neurologic Physical Therapy with online access to podcasts/videos, monthly Research in Review e-newsletter, bi-monthly eNEWS
- Resources to prepare for the Neurologic Specialist Certification (NCS) exam
- Special interest groups: Stroke, Balance and Falls, Brain Injury, Spinal Cord Injury, Degenerative Diseases, Vestibular Rehabilitation, Assistive Technology, Seating & Wheeled Mobility

Oncology Section
www.oncologypt.org
- Rehabilitation Oncology journal and section e-newsletter
- Access to the Oncology Tool Box and Internet Resource Library, including information on evaluation, differential diagnosis, intervention, payment, and research
- Special interest groups: HIV Disease, Hospice and Palliative Care, Lymphedema, and Pediatric Oncology

Orthopaedic Physical Therapy Section
www.orthopt.org
- Journal of Orthopaedic and Sports Physical Therapy and Orthopaedic Physical Therapy Practice
- Access to evidence-based clinical practice guidelines
- Special interest groups: Animal Rehabilitation, Foot and Ankle, Occupational Health Physical Therapy, Pain Management, Performing Arts, Imaging
- Educational interest groups: Manual Therapy, Primary Care, PTA

Section on Pediatrics
www.pediatricapta.org
- Quarterly journal Pediatric Physical Therapy and monthly e-newsletter
- Resources to prepare for the Pediatric Certified Specialist (PCS) exam
- Special interest groups: Academic and Clinical Educators, Adolescents and Adults With Developmental Disabilities, Early Intervention, Hospital-Based Physical Therapy, Neonatology, Pediatric Sports Fitness, School-Based Physical Therapy

Private Practice Section
www.ppsapta.org
- Impact magazine, covering business, practice management, advocacy, and payment issues related to physical therapist-owned business
- Connect with section lobbyists and members with experience in advocacy, practice and business management, and payment issues
- Link to vendors with the latest technologies in practice and business management such as electronic health records and billing
- Be a champion for the success of physical therapist-owned business

Section on Research
www.physresearch.org
- Section on Research e-newsletter
- Eligibility for travel fellowships, section awards, and sponsored research retreats
- Networking opportunities, including special events for students
- Special interest groups: Biomechanics, Early Career Researchers, Qualitative Research, Evidence-Based Practice

Sports Physical Therapy Section
www.spts.org
- For PT and PTA members, a subscription and online access to Sports Health: A Multidisciplinary Approach and the Journal of Orthopaedic and Sports Physical Therapy (JOSPT), and online access to the International Journal of Sports Physical Therapy: Student members receive online access to JOSPT
- Discounted tuition for continuing education and preparation for the Sports Certified Specialist (SCS) exam
- Special interest groups: Collegiate and Professional Sports, Emergency Response, Female Athlete, Golf and Golf Performance, Hip, Knee, Physically Challenged Athlete, Residency and Fellowship, Running, Shoulder, Sports Performance Enhancement, and Youth Athlete

Section on Women’s Health
www.womenshealthapta.org
- Journal of the Section on Women’s Health and highlights in Women’s Health e-newsletter
- “Women’s Health PT Locator,” directory, which connects consumers with your business
- State and regional network to serve as resources for local issues
- Discounted registration on certification of achievement program in Pelvic and Pregnancy/Postpartum Physical Therapy

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Join Today!
Add one or more sections to your current membership and gain an extra professional edge. Please note that only current APTA members are eligible for section membership.

Three easy ways to join:

1. ONLINE: Visit www.apta.org/join for faster processing
2. PHONE: Call APTA’s Member Services at 800/999-2792, ext. 3395
3. MAIL: Return application with payment to: American Physical Therapy Association, PO Box 793701, Baltimore, MD 21275-5710

Section Membership Application

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Method of Payment
- Check made payable to APTA in the amount of $ |
- Visa
- Master Card
- American Express
- Discover

Additional Information
- A new member on the Home page provides an introduction to APTA membership.
- The APTA mobile app allows for easy access to section-related resources.
- The APTA website offers a wealth of information on section membership and benefits.