

2023 Candidate Bio – Candidate for Nominating Committee



Matthew Downey, PT, DPT Board-Certified Orthopaedic Clinical Specialist

Matthew graduated with his Doctor of Physical Therapy degree from California State University Long Beach in 2017. He completed the Kaiser Permanente Northern California Orthopedic Physical Therapy Residency in 2018 at Kaiser Permanente Northern California Orthopedic Physical Therapy Residency in 2018 at Kaiser Permanente South Sacramento. He currently is a senior physical therapist at Kaiser Permanente San Jose working in outpatient orthopedics/sports and will be finishing his fellowship in Orthopedic Manual Physical Therapy Fellowship this year. He has a passion for service and involvement stemming from his days as a PT student when he served as California's Core Ambassador and with helping start the Student Special Interest Group of the California Physical Therapy Association (CPTA). He has continued to serve the association and the profession as a member of the California delegation to the APTA House of Delegates, the CPTA Membership & Communications Committee, and as the chairperson of the San Jose District of the CPTA. Previous service roles include serving as Nominating Committee Member and Chairperson for CPTA's Nominating Committee and being a trustee of the CAL-PT-PAC. Matthew also finds inspiration serving his community as he has been involved with Global Physical Therapy Day of Service and has also been a leader in the Pilipino American Coalition at CSU Long Beach during his undergrad, PT school, and now as an alumnus.

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