

1 **APTA MEMBERSHIP AND BELONGING COMMITTEE**

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3 Board Chair: TBA

4 Staff Liaison: TBA

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6 The Membership and Belonging Committee provides strategic advice, recommendations, and
7 counsel to the APTA Board of Directors.

8 **CHARGE**

9 The Board of Directors' determined charge for the Membership and Belonging Committee is to:

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- 11 • Provide counsel to the Board on opportunities to create a welcoming organization and
12 culture of belonging for all physical therapists, physical therapist assistants and students.
- 13 • Identify and provide recommendations to promote membership initiatives and policies that
14 lower barriers to belonging to APTA, including recommended revisions to the current
15 [Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Action Plan](#).
- 16 • Identify and provide recommendations to APTA in promoting and using inclusive and
17 belonging practices consistent with our core values.
- 18 • Review and recommend membership categories and dues structures.
- 19 • Be responsive to the changing needs of the environment to include ongoing (continuous)
20 environmental scan.
- 21 • Review and recommend membership categories and dues structures in collaboration with the
22 Finance Committee.
- 23 • Advise and counsel the APTA Board of Directors on proposed and existing Association
24 policies, positions, and the APTA Code of Ethics for the Physical Therapy Profession, as
25 requested.
- 26 • Coordinate and collaborate with other APTA appointed groups and stakeholders, when doing
27 so can further the work of the committee.
- 28 • Submit an annual report to the Board of Directors.

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30 All APTA appointed groups conduct their work to support APTA's Mission, Vision, Strategic Plan, and
31 APTA adopted policies and positions. All appointees shall agree to the APTA Volunteer Commitment.

32 **QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPOINTEES**

33 Shall be:

- 34 • An APTA member in good standing.

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36 **MEETINGS**

37 This committee holds one annual funded in-person meeting and meets virtually on a monthly basis,
38 as needed.

39 **SIZE OF APPOINTED GROUP**

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41 One Board chair, selected annually by the APTA President; 9 additional members; and the APTA
42 President as ex-officio.

43 **TERMS OF APPOINTEES**

44 With the exception of the Board chair, committee members shall serve three-year terms and shall
45 not serve consecutive terms for appointments beginning in 2026 or thereafter. APTA members shall
46 not serve on more than one board-appointed group at a time with the exception of APTA Board
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