



## ***Orthopaedic Residency Admission Criteria and Application Process***

### **Admission Criteria:**

- Residents accepted into the program have successfully completed a CAPTE-accredited professional physical therapy curriculum, or have had a state physical therapy board approve the applicant's first-professional physical therapy program as "equivalent" to a US CAPTE accredited professional physical therapy program.
- Residents' background must include current state licensure as a physical therapist. This license must not be under suspension, revocation, probationary status, or subject to disciplinary proceedings or inquiry.
- Residents' application must express an interest to pursue specialist. Resident's background must include clinical exposure to practice in the specialty area of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy.
- Residents must be active members of the [APTA](#) in good standing. Associate membership in the AAOMPT is also required.
- Resident's must have current CPR certification and professional liability insurance coverage that applies to all clinical settings in which they work
- Residents must submit a completed application (see the following application process) and 2 letters of reference to be appointed for the program.

### **Application Process:**

Dear Orthopaedic Resident Applicant,

Thank you for your continued interest in SportsMedicine of Atlanta's Orthopaedic Residency Program. At this point in the application process, please complete the following assignment. This assignment is meant to be an unrushed and relaxed assignment accomplished during ample time for reflection and introspection as related to this stage in your professional career.

Please prepare a brief written response to each of the listed matters. Likewise, if you haven't already done so, please visit our website ([www.SportsMedicineofAtlanta.com](http://www.SportsMedicineofAtlanta.com)) and complete an employment application from the "Staff" selection. Email ([reduvall@bellsouth.net](mailto:reduvall@bellsouth.net)) or fax (770-978-3360) this assignment and application to me.

- 1) Submit Educational background to include: Official University/College Transcripts, State Physical Therapy Licensure, and CPR Certification.
- 2) Submit evidence of current APTA and AAOMPT Membership.

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- 3) Two Letters of professional and or character Reference.
- 4) One page essay on "My Reason for Being".
- 5) One page describing your past exposure to Orthopaedic Physical Therapy Practice. And an expressed interest in becoming an Orthopaedic Clinical Physical therapy Specialist.
- 6) List three (3) things you consider most wrong in Orthopaedic Physical Therapy and write one page on one of the factors you have listed, explaining why you feel it is wrong.
- 7) List three (3) things you consider most right in Orthopaedic Physical Therapy and write one page on one of the factors you have listed, explaining why you feel it is right.
- 8) One to two pages entitled "Where I Wish To Be In Five Years".
- 9) One page describing your preferred style of clinical learning, supervision and mentorship.

I look forward to your application. Please let me know how I can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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