



# APTA Federal

A Section of the American  
Physical Therapy Association

# STRATEGIC PLAN 2022-2023

VISION: To drive innovative practice across the federal sector as leaders in physical therapy.

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Every physical therapist, physical therapist assistant and student of physical therapy providing care in the federal sector will be a member. This includes: Veterans Health Administration; Armed Services; Coast Guard; Public Health Service, including the Indian Health Services and Federal Bureau of Prisons; National Institutes of Health; and all associated physical therapy professionals.

- a. Increase membership to 1500
- b. Execute branding campaign
- c. Initiate a public awareness campaign (federal employees and all PTs, PTAs, and students of physical therapy)
- d. Communicate FPTS and federal sector activities to enhance physical therapy at the national level
- e. Increase student engagement and retention

FPTS will promote positive communication for the development of our members to include:

- a. Networking
- b. Leadership opportunities
- c. Professional development
- d. Establish and expand volunteer structure

FPTS will be the section of choice for physical therapists and physical therapist assistants who are interested in leading and collaborating in innovative practice.

- a. Increase Innovator and Researcher Award nominations
- b. FPTS will advocate for implementation of the Federal Scope of Physical Therapy Practice
- c. Support Primary Care Specialist certification
- d. Promote FPTS member expertise through participation in APTA and other external working groups and committees

FPTS will be seen as the premier facilitator for pioneering and development of education and research.

- a. Strengthen Educational Programming
  - i. Formalize Education Committee
  - ii. Increase educational opportunities
  - iii. Provide additional CEU opportunities outside CSM
- b. Increase FPTS profile in national publications
- c. Build strategic partnerships with industry, academia, and other entities to enhance member value

FPTS will advocate for improved regulatory provisions for all the entities represented by the Section.

- a. Increase participation in federal affairs at all levels
- b. Increase collaboration with APTA