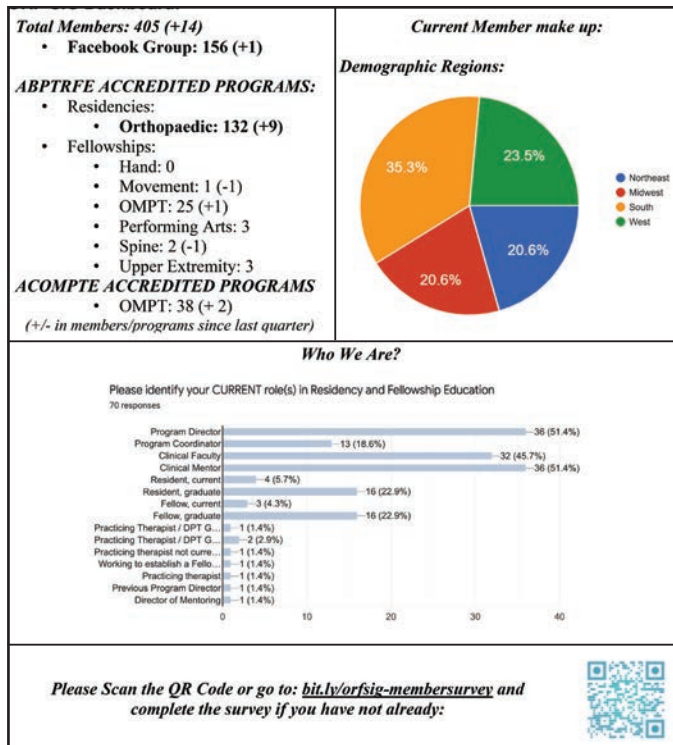


ORF-SIG Dashboard:



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Applicant Registry: Steve Kareha, Molly Malloy, Kirk Bentzen, Carrie Schwoerer

One big problem facing programs over the years is the ability to sustain consistent applicant bases despite using or not using RF-PTCAS. Our team had been working hard to collect interested applicants to attempt to steer them to open positions. We are brainstorming to revise this system to tackle the problem from the front end focusing on the following:

1. Raise awareness for our programs,
2. Steer qualified applicants to our programs, and
3. Address the problems of open positions throughout the country.

Please let me know if you are interested in joining this discussion; we will be meeting in June 2022.

In the meantime, you can continue to use this link for an excess of applicants who you are open to sharing of their information. Specifically for those qualified applicants who are excellent candidates and have already been vetted but applied to a program that does not have any available spots. The program denying admission may then provide the applicant with a flyer explaining the database and providing them the option to participate. Member programs may access these qualified, vetted applicants as needed by contacting Steve Kareha (stephen.kareha@sluhn.org). Updates on the numbers of candidates in this list will be provided quarterly to the membership.

- a. Currently, everyone who was on this list has been admitted into a program.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ORF-SIG Members,

"We delight in the beauty of the butterfly, but rarely admit the changes it has gone through to achieve that beauty."

– Maya Angelou

Spring is a time of awakening and hope. We have all undergone immense challenges the past few years in a variety of ways. Our clinical landscapes are different; most of us are trying to regain some sense of normalcy and many feel challenged as things are still not back to the way they were before. We have been working as a leadership team to focus our energies for the year ahead. We want to be sure that we are working on aspects that will benefit and ease some of the burden felt by our residency and fellowship community. Some of the areas that we are focusing on include recruitment of applicants, spotlighting existing programs, efficiency with teaching and mentoring, and assisting new programs in the development phases. I have highlighted in greater depth some of these programs below. As we know, many hands make for light work so get involved with the ORF-SIG to continue to move these initiatives forward. I can honestly say this group of directors, residents, and fellows inspire me daily. If you would like to get more involved within the SIG, make sure to reach out to malloyma@arcadia.edu. My hope for all of you as that we look back at the end of this year to many butterflies which have undergone changes but are still amazing and advancing our profession daily.

Thank you for all of the work you are each doing every day!

Molly Malloy
President, ORF-SIG

Residency & Fellowship Qualified Applicants



<http://bit.ly/3u0JR0s>

PROGRAM RESIDENT/FELLOW/FACULTY SPOTLIGHT: CAITLYN LANG, KRISTINE NEELON, BOB SCHROEDTER

What is the program spotlight?

It is an ORF-SIG, member-only feature that allows one or more orthopaedic residency/fellowship programs to be spotlighted within a given month to market themselves to prospective candidates and those seeking more information on post professional education in orthopaedics. Additionally, programs will also be spotlighting individual faculty and/or residents/fellows-in-training as good-will ambassadors of their respective programs.

What are the benefits to being spotlighted?

Programs that are spotlighted advance the exposure and interest

in post professional orthopaedic physical therapy programs across the country, thus bolstering their program's sustainability. Furthermore, by providing important, decision-making details about their program a prospective candidate can make a better-informed decision about which program may be a good fit for them.

Who is eligible to apply?

Program coordinators or program directors may apply for their program as long as they meet the following pre-application criteria:

- The program must be ABPTRFE or ACOMPTE accredited or in Candidate status.
- The Program Director or Coordinator must be a member of the AOPT and ORF-SIG.
- The Program Director or Coordinator must have a specialization in Orthopaedics.

Please visit: <https://www.orthopt.org/content/special-interest-groups/residency-fellowship/orf-sig-program-spotlight/spotlight-program-faqs>

ABPTRFE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS DOCUMENTS

Recently, the American Board of Physical Therapy Residency and Fellowship Education (ABPTRFE) released updates to their Policies and Procedures including some changes to the Primary Health conditions and CoVid-19 accreditation recommendations. The ORF-SIG was able to work with the Chair of ABPTRFE, Mark Weber, and the Lead Accreditation Specialist, Linda Csiza. Together, they provided some further elaboration on several Frequently Asked Questions. Check out these documents here:

- Policy 13.5 Addition of Practice Sites FAQ
- Primary Health Conditions / Medical Conditions List FAQ
- CoVid-19 Temporary Guidance FAQ
- Program Sustainability: Applicant Sharing and Recruitment FAQ



RF-PTCAS: KIRK BENTZEN, STEVE KAREHA, MEGAN FRAZEE, CARRIE SCHWOERER, CHRISTINA GOMEZ

If you are a new program or need a refresher on some of the nuances of the processes and timelines, please review the following podcast: Navigating RFPTCAS, which can be found at: <https://musc.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Embed.aspx?id=0841c14e-a3f7-4196-b654-acd90169c9e2>. Presenters of this podcast included Ryan Bannister, Director-Centralized Application Services and Student Recruitment and Orthopaedic Residency and Fellowship SIG leadership, including Kirk Bentzen, Christina Gomez, and Steve Kareha.

Please contact Carrie Schwoerer (cschwoerer@uwhealth.org) with questions.



OTHER KEY RESOURCES:

ABPTRFE Updates: Community HUB

Don't miss out on the latest ABPTRFE Updates from Kendra Harrington:

- Updates to ABPTRFE Processes and Procedures
- What Sites Should, and Should Not, Be Included on the Participant Practice Sites?
- ABPTRFE Recent Actions
- July 1 Policy Reminder



ACOMPTE Website and Resources:

Orthopaedic Manual Physical Therapy Fellowship programs find ACOMPTE Information here:



APTE RF-SIG Resources: Christina Gomez

aptaeducation.org/special-interest-group/RFESIG/

You can also find more great information from the Academy of Education's Residency and Fellowship SIG (RFESIG). Here you will find a variety of Podcasts they have completed for Residency and Program Directors. Please make sure to check these out as well as the Think Tank resources.

- Virtual Site Visit
- RF-PTCAS Reminders



Take advantage of our member-only communication forums to share and develop ideas.

ORF-SIG Facebook group

AOPT ORF-SIG Communities HUB



bit.ly/orfsig-fbgroup



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