

APTA Wisconsin Candidate Questions

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

1. What methods would you employ to solicit nominations for all open positions, ensuring a robust pool of candidates, and ensuring transparency and fairness in the candidate selection process? As a seasoned clinician of 40+ years, I would rely on my ability to foster personalized connections and networking among colleagues within the state to promote and solicit interested individuals. I do believe there is a strength in personal connection and in sharing stories on how far our organization has come. I would reach out to the students here locally and the Professors to promote the organization and why I am a member. Understandably this will only help in promotion to the local area, however, this could be something the other team members could assist with in their areas.
2. How would you ensure effective representation of diverse perspectives and backgrounds in the slate of candidates presented to the membership? Starting with the awareness of the importance on this along with seeking the current board's input about the needs for the upcoming voting cycle, I think would be valuable in guiding candidate selection. I do believe this question also speaks to one's ability to connect with others and find out about the candidates on not only a professional level but personal as well, and this is what i feel my strength is.