

*Board-Certified Geriatric Clinical Specialist; Board Certified Orthopedic Clinical Specialist*

It is an honor to be considered for a position within APTA Geriatrics. I am a Board Certified Geriatric Clinical Specialist with almost 20 years of experience. My professional experiences have been in outpatient clinics, home health, and as an educator. I have served in numerous roles to prepare me for this opportunity, including as an item writer for the Geriatric Clinical Specialty Exam and as the Arizona State Advocate for APTA Geriatrics. As an educator, I have worked to successfully integrate geriatric content into entry-level education and to promote APTA Geriatrics to my students. My vision for APTA Geriatrics is to see increased student involvement to encourage best practices for geriatric patients. I would like to see more opportunities at the local level for clinicians to become involved. These include mentorship, educational programming, and community events to provide a service and to promote the academy. Additionally, this would create a network of clinicians to provide resources and support for some of the difficult challenges we face today. During these unparalleled times, it is important to stay connected and have a sense of community. I appreciate this opportunity to serve the APTA Geriatrics community and your patients.