

**CAPTE Board of Commissioners**  
**2026**

Individuals whose names are highlighted were elected or re-elected in 2025 to the CAPTE board and panels. Their new terms begin Jan. 1, 2026.

<b>CAPTE Board</b>		
Position	Name and Term	Term of Service
Chair	Kathy Zalewski, PT, PhD, MPT - WI	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
Vice-chair	Christine Baker, PT, EdD, FAPTA - TX	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PT Candidacy/Initial Panel Chair	Claire Peel, PT, PhD, FAPTA - TX	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PT Reaffirmation Panel Chair	<b>Susan Wainwright, PT, PhD-SC</b>	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
PT RAI/AASC Panel Chair	Catherine Ortega, PT, EdD, OCS - UT	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PTA Candidacy/Initial/Panel Chair	<b>Charlene Jensen, PT, DPT -VA</b>	01/01/2024-12/31/2025
PTA Reaffirmation Panel Chair	Elane Seebo, BA, MEd, MA, PhD -TX	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PTA RAI/AASC Panel Chair	Laura Sage, PT, DPT, MEd - CO	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PTA educator or clinician	Sammi Beckman, PTA, MBA - AR	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PT Clinician	<b>Karen Bock, PT, MPT, PhD - MO</b>	01/01/2024-12/31/2025
Higher Education Administrator or non-PT	<b>Kim Acquaviva, PhD, MSW, CSE -VA</b>	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
Public Member #1	Laura Forester, JD - IL	01/01/2024-12/31/2025
Public Member #2	Marina Thais Douenat, JD - TX	01/01/2024-12/31/2026

<b>Physical Therapist Education Program Panels</b>		
PT Candidacy/Initial Panel	Name	Term
Chair	Claire Peel- TX	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PT Educator	Barbara Gresham, PT, PhD-TX	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PT Educator	Sean Gallivan, PT, PhD-OH	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PT Educator	<b>Stacie Fruth, PT, DHSc - MI</b>	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
PT Educator	<b>Greg Kline, PT, DPT, EdD, MBA - OH</b>	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
Physical Therapist Clinician Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	Matthew Condo, PT – KY	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
Physical Therapist Clinician Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	<b>Sara Cwiak, PT, DPT</b>	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
Physical Therapist Clinician Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	Shelene Thomas, PT, DPT, EdD -SD	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
Higher Education Admin or non-licensed PT faculty	<b>Greg Ford PT, DPT, PhD, OCS -NY</b>	01/01/2026-12/31/2028

Higher Education Admin or non-licensed PT faculty	Greg Frazer, PhD-AL	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PT Reaffirmation Panel	Name	Term
Chair	Susan Wainwright, PT, PhD-SC	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
PT Educator	Patrick Berner, PT, DPT, RDN - AL	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
PT Educator	Lisa Johnston, PT, DPT – NC	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PT Educator	Carole Likens, PT, PhD, MBA -TN	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
PT Educator	Kevin Helgeson, PT, DHSc -WA	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
Physical Therapist Clinician Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	Maureen Clancy, PT, DPT, OCS	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
Physical Therapist Clinician Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	Adrian Suratos, PT, DPT, MS, GCS -FL	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
Physical Therapist Clinician Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	Aaron Rindflesch, PT, MPT, PhD – MN	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
Higher Education Admin or non-licensed PT faculty	Barry Eckert, PhD – GA	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
Higher Education Admin or non-licensed PT faculty	Sundra Kincey, PhD	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PT RAI/AASC Panel	Name	Term
Chair	Cathy Ortega-UT (2026)	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PT Educator	Nicoleta Bugnaria, PT, PhD, MBA -CA	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PT Educator	Cheryl Peters-Brinkerhoff, PT, MPT, MHA, EdD - MA	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
PT Educator	Yasser Salem, PT, MS, PhD - NY	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PT Educator	Priscilla Weaver, PT, DPT, PhD -AZ	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
Physical Therapist Clinician Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	Toran Macleod, PT, MPT, PhD - CA	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
Physical Therapist Clinician Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	Kelly King, PT, DPT, C/NDT, MRMC – AZ	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
Physical Therapist Clinician Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	Elke Schaumberg, PT, MS, DPT, PhD- RI	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
Higher Education Admin or non-licensed PT faculty	Mary Keehn, PT, DPT, MPHE-IL	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
Higher Education Admin or non-licensed PT faculty	Kris Vacek, OTD – MO	01/01/2025-12/31/2027

Physical Therapist Assistant Education Program Panel		
PTA Candidacy/Initial Panel	Name	Term
Chair	Charlene Jensen,-VA	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
PTA Educator	Vacant for 2026	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PTA Educator	Erin Schumacher, PT, DPT, EdD - MN	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
PTA Educator	Sharon Lawrence, DHSc, PTA-OK	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PTA Educator	Angela Heaton, PT, MSEd -OH	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PTA Educator	Christina Howard, PT, MPT, Ed.D. -OR	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PT Educator	Tammy Marcin, PT, DPT, MBA, EdD-FL	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PT Clinician who supervises PTAs	Christina Pettie, PT, DPT, MHA-FL	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
Physical Therapist Assistant Clinician Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	Elizabeth Gifford, PTA, CLT – NC	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
Physical Therapist Assistant Clinician Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	Niesha Stevens, PTA, MBA -FL	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
Higher Education Admin or non-licensed PT faculty	Molly Kostenbauder, EdD – FL	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
Higher Education Admin or non-licensed PT faculty	Gloria Oikelome, PhD, EdD-PA	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
PTA Reaffirmation Panel	Name	Term
Chair	Elane Seebo-TX	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PTA Educator	Amanda Bryson, PTA, AAS, MBA – TX	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PTA Educator	Tiffany Duran-MI	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PTA Educator	Drew Wilcox, PTA, MHA, PhD	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
PTA Educator	Kim Vandergrift, PTA, EdD - OH	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
PTA Educator	Krissa Reeves-WI	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PT Educator	Jacki Klaczak Kipack, PT, DPT - PA	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
PT Clinician who supervises PTAs	Richard Saia, PT, DPT-IL	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
Physical Therapist Assistant Clinicians Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	Matthew Sweet, PTA , ATC, MS- NY	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
Physical Therapist Assistant Clinicians Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	Debra Ludwiczak-Henry, PTA, BBA, MSOL, WCC-MI	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
Higher Education Admin or non-licensed PT faculty	Teresa Cowan, PhD – MI	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
Higher Education Admin or non-licensed PT faculty	Brian Rash, PhD-LA	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PTA RAI/AASC Panel	Name	Term
Chair	Laura Sage-CO	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PTA Educator	Clarence Chan, PT, DPT-NY	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PTA Educator	Amy Cornell, PT, tDPT, CEAS-GA	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PTA Educator	Scott Hargraves, PT, MA, DPT-PA	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
PTA Educator	Renee Pruitt, PT, DPT, MHA-TX	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
PTA Educator	Bruce Wassung, PTA, MSPH-FL	01/01/2025-12/31/2027

Physical Therapist Assistant Education Program Panel		
PT Educator	Cathy Peterson, PT, EdD -CA	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
PT Clinician who supervises PTAs	Shari Cartwright, DPT-SC	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
Physical Therapist Assistant Clinicians Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	David Faccini, PTA, LMT – NY	01/01/2025-12/31/2027
Physical Therapist Assistant Clinicians Active in Clinical Practice and Clinical Teaching	Brad Wood, PTA, BS, MATL-OH	01/01/2024-12/31/2026
Higher Education Admin or non- licensed PT faculty	Gerald Koocher, PhD - MA	01/01/2026-12/31/2028
Higher Education Admin or non- licensed PT faculty	Kari Dundore Shrout, MSEd-NY	01/01/2024-12/31/2026

Nominating Committee: Adrienne McAuley and Natalie Michaels