

June 2023 President's Message by Megan Urick, President of the APTA MN Chapter:

Bylaws Update

We now have the updated model bylaws from APTA National, so we're looking to update the APTA MN bylaws which are the rules by which we run our Chapter. We are working on them at the state level now, planning to send them to National for review this fall, and then we will bring them to the APTA MN Business meeting to be voted on! The Business Meeting will be virtual this year and held in November - actual date coming soon.

Outgoing APTA MN Elected Leaders

Thank you to all of our outgoing APTA MN elected leaders. This is the final month of their terms:

Laura Jacobs	Secretary
Sara North	Director
Kate Selbitschka	Director
Jason Kelecic	Director
Eva Norman/Ray Lunasin	Delegate
Craig Curry	Nominating Committee
Savannah Grancorvitz	Nominating Committee

We are a volunteer organization, so every hand truly helps. Thank you all for your service!

2023 Legislative Session

The 2023 legislative session ended on time on May 22nd. The 2024 MN legislature is scheduled to convene on February 12, 2024. We have a lot of work to do for our PT Practice Act Revision Bill before then. Now, more than ever, we need a key contact from every district in this state! Please express your interest in becoming a key contact through APTA Engage.

ORCHA

ORCHA stands for Organization for the Review of Care and Health Apps. It's a digital health app library available to APTA members. Apps in the library are reviewed against the US Digital Health Assessment Framework, and this framework includes components specific to the US on data and privacy, clinical assurance and safety, usability and accessibility, and technical security and stability. APTA is offering free training sessions to members on how to utilize this service. There are 2 more training sessions this month: June 12th and 26th.

APTA MN 5K

The APTA MN 5K registration link is now live! You can register to run or be a sponsor! If you have suggestions of sponsors we should reach out to, please email info@mnapta.org.

Payer Summit

Save the date for the APTA MN Payer Summit on Friday, October 27th.

APTA MN Delegates

For the Committee Feature this month, I would like to highlight the APTA MN Delegates. They aren't technically a committee, but they are a very important part of our association, so I'd like to explain how the house of delegates (HOD) works.

Purpose of the HOD

- Establish policies, positions and binding ethical documents for the profession
- Set a vision for the profession & align HOD policies and procedures with that vision
- Elect national leaders

Delegate Role

- Preparation prior to all HOD activities
- Represent the profession and your state
- Make decisions as a body
- Serve as an ambassador for the APTA

The HOD is happening on July 23rd and 24th in Washington D.C. this year. This APTA policymaking body is composed of voting delegates from each chapter and section/academy. APTA MN has 10 delegates based on our total membership numbers. Lyndsey Vandenberg is our Chief Delegate. As Chapter President, I will be one of the delegates representing our state this summer. The packet with the 2023 motions has recently been released. See the link below to check out the motions.

Links to dive deeper:

[APTA MN State Key Contact](#)

[APTA MN Federal Key Contact](#)

ORCHA Training Sessions:

[June 12, 2023](#)

[June 26, 2023](#)

[APTA MN 5K Race Registration](#)

[APTA MN 5K Sponsor Registration](#)

[House of Delegates Motions - Packet I](#)