

A NATIONAL PETITION FOR PTs, PTAs, PATIENTS, AND SUPPORTERS

A stronger future for physical therapy professionals and patients.

Support the people providing physical therapy. Strengthen the care patients receive.

WHY THIS MATTERS

Physical therapists and physical therapist assistants help people regain mobility, independence, and quality of life. Fair compensation, meaningful benefits, sustainable workloads, and stronger reimbursement help experienced professionals remain in practice and provide excellent patient care.

When we support the people providing care, we strengthen care for everyone.

ONE SHARED PURPOSE

Strong professionals and strong patient care belong together.

SUPPORT THE WORKFORCE	STRENGTHEN PATIENT CARE
Advance fair compensation, career security, manageable workloads, professional respect, and a meaningful voice in the future of the field.	Protect access, continuity, individualized treatment, timely evaluations, responsible workloads, and the time required for excellent patient care.

WHO CAN SIGN?

PTs, PTAs, students, patients, caregivers, and supporters from every state are welcome. Signing is voluntary and takes about one minute online.

Sign online at <https://standforpt.org/petition>

THE PETITION

By adding my name, I support six practical priorities.

- 1** Transparent salary ranges and structured increases that recognize experience, clinical responsibility, specialty skills, and regional cost of living.
- 2** Meaningful employer-funded retirement support through a pension or strong employer contributions.
- 3** Student-loan assistance and broader access to public-service and workforce-retention programs.
- 4** Sustainable Medicare, Medicaid, and commercial-insurance payment for physical therapy services.
- 5** Safe productivity and documentation expectations that protect time for excellent patient care.
- 6** State and national physical therapy workforce task forces that include practicing PTs and PTAs, educators, employers, payers, and patient representatives.

CONSTRUCTIVE PROFESSIONAL ADVOCACY

Stand for PT supports respectful discussion of lawful advocacy tools - including association and policy work, a professional federation, or union representation where workers freely choose it - to advance sustainable careers and conditions that support excellent patient care.

Clear boundary: Stand for PT is an independent public-policy initiative. Signing this petition does not establish a union, select a bargaining representative, or serve as a union authorization card.

ACCOUNTABILITY

Clear milestones. Visible follow-through.

As verified signatures grow, Stand for PT will bring the petition to organizations and policymakers positioned to advance constructive discussion and action.

500 VERIFIED NJ	Deliver the petition to APTA New Jersey and request a formal meeting on workforce retention, compensation, retirement security, reimbursement, and patient care.
1,000 VERIFIED NJ	Deliver it to the NJ Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee and request a legislative meeting on a statewide physical therapy workforce task force.
5,000 NATIONWIDE	Deliver it to the American Physical Therapy Association and request a national physical therapy workforce town hall.
10,000 NATIONWIDE	Deliver a federal brief to U.S. Senators Cory Booker and Andy Kim, the Senate Finance Committee, the House Ways and Means Health Subcommittee, and CMS, requesting staff meetings on payment, loan assistance, and workforce sustainability.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Signatures are verified and counted. Private contact information and handwritten signatures are not included in public or delivery summaries. At each milestone, the petition and a verified-signature summary will be delivered with a respectful request for discussion and action.

ADD MY NAME

Sign online or complete this page by hand.

Fastest option: Sign electronically at <https://standforpt.org/petition>. No printing, scanning, or emailing is required.

FULL NAME (PRINT)

CREDENTIALS / ROLE (PT, PTA, STUDENT, PATIENT, CAREGIVER, SUPPORTER)

CITY AND STATE

PERSONAL EMAIL (OPTIONAL FOR PAPER SIGNATURES)

DATE

SIGNATURE

[] I reviewed the six requests and voluntarily add my name to this petition. I understand this is a public-policy petition, not a union authorization card. My name, credentials/role, city, and state may be included when the petition is delivered at milestones. My personal email and handwritten signature will remain private and be used only for verification and petition administration.

RETURN A PAPER SIGNATURE

Photograph or scan the completed page and email it to standforpt@gmail.com, or return it through the same personal channel in which you received it. Do not include patient information or confidential employer information. Keep a copy for your records.

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