

INDEPENDENT STUDY COURSE POLICY COVER PAGE
Orthopaedic Section Board Liaison – Tom McPoil, Vice President

Members: ISC Editor whose term is for 3 years and the ISC Advisory Panel which is made up of the ISC Editor (Chair), the Section Board of Directors Liaison, the Education Committee Chair, and 2 other members recommended by the ISC Editor. To ensure panel consistency between Section elections or the selection of a new ISC editor, the ISC editor contract would remain a three-year June 1st –May 31st contract. The ISC Board Liaison and the Education Chair will serve on the Advisory Panel during their elected/appointed terms. Of the 2 other members of the panel to be selected, one member would have a 2-year appointment and the second member would have a one-year appointment. Advisory Panel members will serve no more than 2 terms.

Current Members and Term Limits: Mary Ann Wilmarth, Editor, 2001-2007; Leza Hatch, 2005-2007; John Childs, 2005-2006.

Meetings: The ISC Advisory Panel will meet three (3) times each year: 1) Mid-January, 2) Mid-May, 3) Mid-September. Additional meetings will be held when deemed necessary by the ISC Editor. The ISC Editor will also attend the Orthopaedic Section Board of Directors meeting and business meeting at the APTA Combined Sections Meeting annually.

Purpose: The purpose of the Orthopaedic Section's Independent Study Course program is to provide 2-4 quality continuing education courses for physical therapists and physical therapist assistants on contemporary topic areas in orthopaedic physical therapy each year.

Tasks:

1. To determine topics of current interest in orthopaedic physical therapy each year.
2. To obtain qualified authors for the topic areas selected each year.
3. To work closely with the Managing Editor for ISCs in the Section office to produce and publish the courses.

Work other than meetings: Ongoing throughout the year.

Qualifications: An Orthopaedic Section member who has the desire and the physical therapy contacts to promote the continuing education independent study program in orthopaedic physical therapy.

Conflict of Interest: A conflict of interest can arise when conditions or circumstances preclude or interfere with an individual's capacity to make the objective, detached decisions required in Board of Director meetings. Conditions or circumstances which may create a conflict of interest include but are not limited to those cases in which the Board of Director member, Committee member, or SIG member: 1) has a personal, professional, or financial interest in, or relationship with, the entity in question; 2) has or is perceived as having, for any reason, a preconceived bias for or against the entity in question. Board of Director members, Committee members, and SIG members shall excuse themselves from such participation in any case where a conflict of interest arises,

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where a potential conflict of interest may arise, or where there may be a perceived appearance of conflict.