

1 **PAIN MANAGEMENT SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (PMSIG)**
2 **Orthopaedic Section Board Liaison – Bill O’Grady, Director**
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4 **Members:** President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Nominating Committee Chair are all
5 three year terms elected by the PMSIG membership. Information Technology Committee Chair and
6 Education Committee Chair are three year terms appointed by the PMSIG Board of Directors.
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8 **Meetings:** One meeting annually at the APTA Combined Sections Meeting. Additional teleconference
9 meetings as needed.
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11 **Purpose:** The purpose of the Pain Management Special Interest Group of the Orthopedic Section of
12 the APTA is to provide a forum where physical therapists and physical therapist assistants that have a
13 common interest in pain management may meet, confer, and promote patient care through education,
14 clinical practice and research.

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16 **Tasks:**

- 17 1. Foster pain management knowledge within the physical therapy profession.
- 18 2. Provide a forum for discussion on pain management strategies.
- 19 3. Initiate and maintain ongoing dialogue among members to provide: standards for entry level
20 physical therapy education programs regarding management of pain and standards for measuring
21 protocols as well as terminology relative to pain management within the medical profession.
- 22 4. Provide a forum for interaction with other health care disciplines within the pain management field.
- 23 5. Provide a network for enhancing communication between clinicians, academicians and researchers
24 in physical therapy interested in the management of pain.
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26 **Work other than at meetings:** On as-needed basis.
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28 **Qualifications:** A member of the APTA and Orthopaedic Section and an active interest and/or work
29 in the area of pain management.
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31 **Conflict of Interest:** A conflict of interest can arise when conditions or circumstances preclude or
32 interfere with an individual’s capacity to make the objective, detached decisions required in Board of
33 Director meetings. Conditions or circumstances which may create a conflict of interest include but are
34 not limited to those cases in which the Board of Director member, Committee member, or SIG
35 member: 1) has a personal, professional, or financial interest in, or relationship with, the entity in
36 question; 2) has or is perceived as having, for any reason, a preconceived bias for or against the entity
37 in question. Board of Director members, Committee members, and SIG members shall excuse
38 themselves from such participation in any case where a conflict of interest arises, where a potential
39 conflict of interest may arise, or where there may be a perceived appearance of conflict.
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