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Dear Orthopaedic Section,

On behalf of the Idaho Physical Therapy Association and the therapists of Idaho, I want to thank you again for your generous grant for assistance with our legislative efforts to include dry needling in the Idaho Physical Therapy Practice Act.

Our efforts were rewarded with overwhelming support from the legislature. Our bill passed 63-4 in the house and 33-2 in the senate, and was signed by Governor Butch Otter on the 22nd of March with an enactment date of July 1st. With this law in place the physical therapy licensing board is now able to develop rules and regulations for the practice of dry needling by physical therapists in Idaho. These developed rules and regulations will then be presented to the health and welfare committee at the next session for approval. The passing of which will allow our therapists to begin to include dry needling in practice.

We also had much support from our members in a GoFundMe campaign and support from other entities to help fund our lobbyist expenses. The total money received was \$35,000 which includes \$11,310 from our GoFundMe drive and the rest from four grantors. The total cost for the lobbyist efforts was only \$30,000. We are returning the funds in excess to our grantors. The follow procedure was followed in determining the returns. We took the total of \$30,000 and subtracted the money received from the GoFundMe drive, giving us \$18,690. This number was then divided by four representing the contribution from each of the four grantors. This number equals \$4,672.50. As your grant to us was for \$5,000, we will return the difference of \$327.50.

Thank you again for your support which allowed us to introduce and pass this crucial legislation for our therapists.

Sincerely,

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President
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