

## 2024 APTA Kansas Election

## Nominating Committee

Nominee: Mathew Obermeier

Nominator APTA Member ID Number: 764493

## Please provide candidate statement:

My goal in joining the KPTA board in the role as a nominating committee member is to promote in a more active and hands on way the importance of our profession on a state and national level and to help my colleagues and co-workers advocate for our profession on these levels as well. I hope to be a unifier and bring together people from multiple different backgrounds into the KPTA so that with more perspectives will come greater quality of care for our patients and overall improvement in best practices.

## Please provide brief bio:

My name is Matthew Obermeier. I am a DPT graduate from the University of Kansas Medical Center Class of 2017. Since my graduation, I have been working in acute inpatient care at the University of Kansas Health System in Kansas City, KS. In my almost seven years at the hospital, I have worked primarily on the medicine teams and medical intensive care units, but also have experience on ortho/trauma, neurology, and cardiac teams. In addition to my roles on these teams, I have also worked in great depth with post-operative day zero orthopedic spinal fusions, neurospine patients, and new TKAs/THAs as part of the Enhanced Recovery After Surgery Program (ERAS). I have also been heavily involved in the Amputee special interest group from its inception a few years ago to present day in my capacity as co-chair of this committee. I have worked with several long-term DPT students during their clinical rotations here at the hospital as well as mentored several high school shadow students as well as first and second year PT students on their integrated clinical experience rotations (ICE).