

## PTA Caucus Representative

Responsibilities per RIAPTA bylaws:

Representative to the Physical Therapist Assistant Caucus

1. Qualifications. The qualifications of the Representative to the PTA Caucus shall be as stated in the APTA Board Policies and procedures.
2. The CHAPTER shall notify ASSOCIATION Headquarters of the name of the Representative to the PTA Caucus as required by the ASSOCIATION.
3. Duties. The Representative to the PTA Caucus shall attend the annual and special meetings of the Representative Body, and present to the Representative Body such matters as are ordered by the Board of Directors and/or voting body.

What is the PTA Caucus?

The PTA Caucus represents the physical therapist assistants' interests, needs, and issues in APTA governance. The PTA Caucus includes the Chief Delegate, four Delegates at Large, and 52 PTA Caucus Representatives. The Chief Delegate and Delegates at Large are elected by the PTA Caucus and serve two year terms and are the voice of the PTA Caucus during APTA's House of Delegates (House). The PTA Caucus Representatives are elected or selected by their Chapter (State).

What do PTA Caucus Representatives do?

PTA Caucus Representatives are active participants in their Chapter Delegations, providing information and raising issues related to the work and development of physical therapist assistants. They also attend the APTA House of Delegates, PTA Caucus meetings, and other PTA related meetings as able. The Representatives serve as crucial points of contact for the physical therapist assistant members in their respective Chapter as well as providing the Chapter Delegation with the physical therapist assistant's perspective on issues before the House.

What do the PTA Caucus Delegates do?

The PTA Caucus Delegates provide the leadership for the PTA Caucus and speak on behalf of the PTA Caucus in the House of Delegates. They meet monthly via conference call to stay on top of issues related to the PTA and attend PTA Caucus meetings, the House of Delegates held annually in June, and other PTA and governance related meetings as able.

What are the requirements to be a PTA Caucus Representative?

The requirements vary slightly from chapter to chapter, but generally, you must be a member in good standing in APTA. It is highly recommended to be active at the district and chapter level and develop good leadership and communication skills prior to submitting your name for consideration as a PTA Caucus Representative.

How do I pay for going to the House of Delegates if I get elected?

Most chapters provide full or partial funding for their chapter representatives to the House. Employers are also a possible funding source.