



Dear ATOM & APTAMA Membership,

The National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA) and the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) have taken major steps in working together to advance patient care and population health. These efforts began with a [Joint Statement](#) released December 19, 2018 that called for collaboration around legislative efforts, public relations initiatives, and inter-professional practice. Recently, APTA and NATA adopted [Joint Principles](#), further enhancing their commitment to work together.

Following the lead of our national organizations, ATOM and APTA Massachusetts leadership are actively engaged in exploring ways we can unify the efforts of the allied health professions and ensure that person centered care is at the forefront of our actions. In support of these efforts, ATOM & APTA Massachusetts officially endorse the aforementioned statements by our respective national organizations. We look forward to moving the allied health professions forward in a unified effort to meet the needs of our communities and our members in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Sincerely,

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