

**Combined Clinic/Outreach
Outreach Athletic Trainer
Job Description**

The primary responsibilities of the outreach ATC are to provide superior rehabilitative care to injured athletes and patients; to educate the public on injury prevention, rehabilitation, wellness and other health-related issues; and to maintain the highest standards of care and integrity.

Applicants for the outreach athletic trainer position must be BOC-certified or certification-eligible with a bachelor's of science degree in a related field.

The outreach athletic training position is full-time. The ATC will work five (5) days per week, including thirty (30) hours at the primary facility/clinic and an average of twenty (20) hours at a local, contracted school. Some components of the day-to-day responsibilities associated with this aspect of the position are:

- Promoting excellent patient care.
- Communicating with physical therapists and physicians regarding patients' conditions, treatments and protocols.
- Devising a rehabilitation and treatment regimen in conjunction with physical therapists.
- Setting up and breaking down patient modalities.
- Maintaining charts and relevant paperwork.
- Tracking invoices and insurance benefits in conjunction with billing personnel.
- Conducting injury screenings for student-athletes.
- Generating and implementing in-home exercise programs.
- Assisting with day-to-day operations of the clinic (e.g. stocking supplies, cleaning, equipment maintenance, answering phones, etc.).
- Completing school visitation(s). All outreach and clinical ATCs will contact a local high school and arrange a weekly visitation schedule. These visits will occur once per week and last approximately one hour. These hours are included in the full-time workweek.
- Providing event coverage. All outreach and clinical ATCs will occasionally be asked to provide medical coverage at outside games, practices and/or tournaments. These events will be scheduled with the clinical athletic trainer coordinator, who will handle the payment arrangement.
- Assisting with the clinic's injury hotline. Each ATC will be responsible for after-hours injury hotline calls on a rotational basis.

The outreach ATC has the added responsibility of working daily in the athletic training room of a local school with which the clinic has a current contract for medical coverage. Coverage may be given at high schools, elementary/middle schools or community colleges. As in any athletic training room, the ATC is the primary and often sole caregiver and works under the supervision of a team physician. Some of the specific responsibilities of the outreach portion of this position are:

- Prevention, recognition, evaluation and immediate care, rehabilitation and reconditioning of athletic injuries.
- Pre-game/practice taping and preparation.

- Communicating with athletes, parents, athletic director(s), coaches and physicians regarding athletes' playing status and ability to return to competition. All communication must be conducted within the bounds of confidentiality.
- Coverage of home-scheduled athletic events. Depending on the institution, this may include weekend and/or evening contests.
- Maintaining charts and relevant paperwork.
- Referring athletes for appropriate diagnostic and follow-up procedures and subsequent injury tracking.

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