



BOARD OF CERTIFICATION
FOR THE ATHLETIC TRAINER

2020 ANNUAL REPORT

Letter from the CEO



Anne Minton, MBA, ICE-CCP
BOC Chief Executive Officer

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Looking back on 2022, I take great pride in the achievements of the Board of Certification (BOC). With the support of the BOC Board of Directors and volunteers by our side, our team continued to work on key initiatives. We made great strides continuing to move forward - elevating the profession and preparing us all for a bright future.

We strive to consistently build services that assist candidates during the exam process as well as support Athletic Trainers (ATs) during their professional growth and development. Making data-driven decisions allows us to meet the needs of ATs in all practice settings and career directions. Access to enhanced continuing education resources and specialized options that enable ATs to build a professional development plan tailored to their individualized goals is imperative.

The BOC is working to create pathways and open doors for ATs to build and grow in a lifelong career of opportunity and advancement. Programs such as the Board Certified Specialist in Orthopedics (BCS-O) credential, the International Arrangement (IA) for the athletic training and therapy profession, as well as development of the Continuing Professional Certification (CPC) program are specific examples of this long-term goal. A BOC priority is to continually demonstrate the value of the BCS-O and ATC® credentials to employers, elevating the role and level of recognition of ATs within health care.

As we wrapped up 2022, the BOC released its newly created [Mission, Vision and Values Statement](#) focused on our daily commitment to ATs, our stakeholders and the public we serve. These new words provide a clear vision and path to what's ahead and how we continue to operate. At the forefront is our dedication to an exam and credentialing process that is consistently of the highest standard. As we facilitate the ongoing certification process, our promise is to go above and beyond in service delivery. Transparency, honesty and accountability guide us. Ultimately, everything we do is to guarantee optimum patient care and ensure public trust.

This report is published to provide an overview of the BOC's work and its accomplishments on behalf of all our stakeholders.

The BOC is blessed by the commitment and daily dedication of our team—volunteers, staff and allied partners - allowing us to work towards our vision and goals. We walk into 2023 with a strong foundation and clear direction to continue to achieve and grow.

Best in health!

Achievements

CERTIFIED ATHLETIC TRAINER (ATC®) CREDENTIAL

56,906 Certified ATs

2,320 Candidates Certified

2022

YEAR IN REVIEW

3,732

Exams Administered

2,517

Exam Applications
Processed and Approved

239

Reinstated ATs

229

Completed AT
Audits

80

Discipline Cases
Opened

90

Discipline Cases
Decided and/or
Closed

6

Emergency
Suspensions
Issued

INTERNATIONAL ARRANGEMENT (IA)

6 CATA candidates have passed the exam through the IA

- British Association of Sport Rehabilitators joins IA

THE INTERNATIONAL ARRANGEMENT
For The Athletic Training and Therapy Profession



BOARD CERTIFIED SPECIALIST IN ORTHOPEDICS (BCS-O) CREDENTIAL

32 Board Certified Specialists
in Orthopedics

7 Applicants Certified



- Measured initial impact of earning BCS-O through cohort survey
- Promoted specialty credential to employers

15

Exams Administered

17

Exam Applications
Processed and Approved

Achievements

BOC-WIDE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Facilitated outreach to NATA districts, state associations and allied organizations through BOC presentations and newsletter updates to ATs
- Created all-digital distribution and strategic content plan for “Cert Update” to maximize engagement with ATs
- Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Advocacy Strategies (IDEAS) Committee completed 2022 strategic priorities and designated a work group to continually assess shifts in AT demographics
- Developed and released new [BOC Mission, Vision and Values Statement](#)
- Submitted successful NCCA Annual Report



REGULATORY AFFAIRS AND ADVOCACY

- Assisted with and/or monitored 24 states with regulatory initiatives including review of rules/ regulations and proposed legislation, as well as providing testimony, data and letters in support of athletic training regulation
- Hosted the Compliance and Regulatory Education (CARE) Conference 2022 in Omaha, Nebraska. The purpose of the CARE Conference is to explore regulatory best practices and trends. Program topics and [presentations](#) are designed to empower regulators and state leaders in developing strategic initiatives and resolutions that protect the public. There were 68 attendees from 28 states, DC and Canada.
- Supported State of Nebraska efforts to successfully update athletic training law, backed by data, educational materials, as well as expert testimony
- Remained active on the national scene protecting AT certification and advocating for ATs with state and federal regulators by being a member of and supporting the work of the [Professional Certification Coalition](#) (PCC) which advocates for private certification organizations
- Published the “Guidelines and Considerations for Athletic Trainer Regulation” resource document

CARE CONFERENCE

Compliance and Regulatory Education:
Best Practices for Athletic Trainer Regulation

Achievements

VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH

- Celebrated Volunteer Month with a callout campaign to say “Thank You” and highlight the work of BOC volunteers
- Hosted a Volunteer Reception during the NATA conference, at which recipients received our annual BOC awards: Dan Libera Service Award, Paul Grace Leadership Award and Denise Fandel Award of Excellence
- Launched BOC Volunteer Engagement and Outreach (VEO) program
- Created customized Volunteer Portal providing resources and training
- Successful recruitment for a wide variety of key volunteer roles
- Created Power Panel volunteer survey group to gather ongoing AT feedback



BOC APPROVED PROVIDERS PROGRAM

- Expanded number of [Joint Accreditation \(JA\)](#) providers to 24, boosting interdisciplinary accreditation approach and increasing ability to reach across health care professions
- Facilitated BOC Approved Provider focus groups to fine tune structure for targeted resources and support services



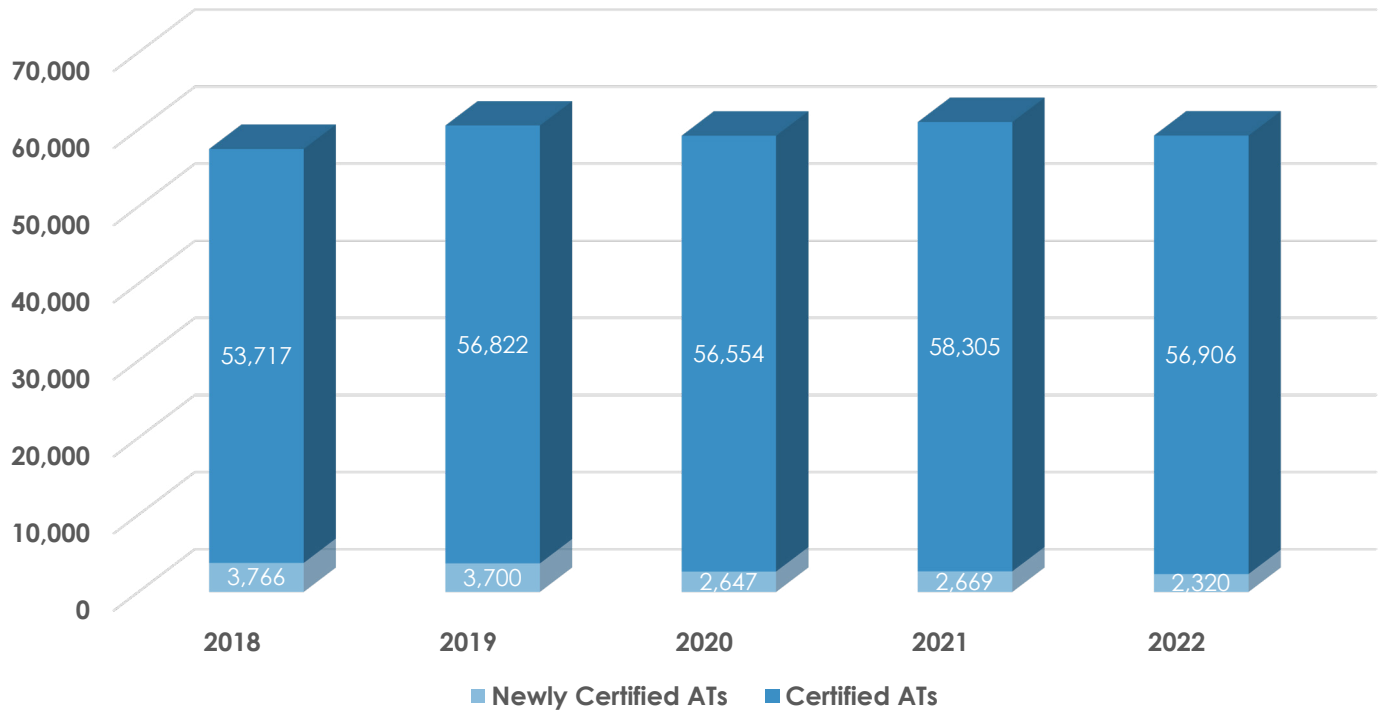
CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION (CPC) RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

- Successful call for volunteers resulted in 600+ applications
- Assembled a volunteer CPC Task Force, as well as subject specific work groups, to facilitate initial development phase
- Facilitated eight focus groups with 60 participants, representing various AT practice settings



Credentialing Reports

CONTINUING EDUCATION REPORT



Continuing Education Report	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Certified ATs	53,717	56,822	56,554	58,305	56,906
Newly Certified ATs	3,766	3,700	2,647	2,669	2,320

Exam Report	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Candidates Certified	3,766	3,700	2,647	2,669	2,320
Exam Applications Processed and Approved	4,135	3,921	3,256	2,838	2,517
Exams Administered	5,666	5,577	5,034	4,379	3,732
Reinstatement Applications Processed and Approved	112	126	115	145	239

Discipline Report	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
PPD Cases Opened	386	253	326	255	80
PPD Cases Closed	308	374	334	307	90
Emergency Suspensions	3	6	7	4	6

BOC Approved Provider Report	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Total Number of BOC Approved Providers	670	679	613	669	667
New BOC Approved Providers	76	94	69	100	63
Joint Accreditation Providers	-	-	-	7	24

Board of Directors



Board of Directors: Back row, from left: Diana Settles, Christina Chapski, Chris Ashton, Robin Jenkins, Katherine Dec and Mary Kirkland. Front row, from left: Neil Curtis, René Revis Shingles, Michael Carroll and Kimberly Detwiler.

The BOC is governed by its Board of Directors, each responsible for making decisions that are in the best interest of the organization, ensuring it follows local, state and federal laws, bylaws, policies and procedures, while advancing the mission. The Board of Directors consists of BOC Certified Athletic Trainer Directors, a Physician Director, a Public Director and a Corporate/Educational Director.

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Volunteers

The BOC greatly appreciates the contribution of time and service made by each of our 485+ volunteers during 2022. Their support in various roles allowed us to serve and elevate the athletic training profession.

COMMITTEE LEADERS

EXAM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE



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Volunteers

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Thank You
BOC Volunteers!

