



What do you call an Athletic Trainer with an orthopedic specialty?

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Specialized Athletic Trainers (ATs) bring more value to your team. Encourage your ATs to become Board Certified Specialists in Orthopedics. Learn how this specialty certification can benefit your organization at BOCATC.org/AT-Specialties.





BCS-O

BOARD CERTIFIED SPECIALIST IN ORTHOPEDICS

A Board Certified Specialist in Orthopedics (BCS-O) is a BOC Certified Athletic Trainer (AT) in good standing who met either Path 1 or 2 exam eligibility requirements and passed the BOC Orthopedic Specialty Certification exam.

PATH 1 REQUIREMENTS

Completion of a CAATE-accredited residency in orthopedics from 2012 forward and two years of practice experience

One year residency plus one year full-time employment (before or after residency) equates to two years of practice experience

PATH 2 REQUIREMENTS

Four years/3,500 hours in orthopedic patient care plus 260 hours of professional development

DID YOU KNOW?

BCS-O certified specialists are multi-functional members of a health care team. ATs who have earned the BCS-O credential provide continuity of care for patients as they are:

- Trained as first-responders — initial assessment critical communication
- Helpful with patient positioning and bed placement during surgery
- Skilled in post-op bracing, casting and wound management

Where do ATs with the BCS-O credential fit in an integrated health care team? They provide care alongside nurses, PTs, OTs and orthopedists, facilitating throughput for the practice

Big ROI for ATs with the BCS-O credential

- For each dollar invested in preventive care from an Athletic Trainer, there is up to a \$7 return on investment
- ATs increase performance, prevent injury, lower liability and help keep patients in the game (whatever the game)

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