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VIRTUAL/TELECONFERENCE ATHLETIC TRAINERS AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD

Virtual, 4822 Madison Yards Way, Madison Contact: Tom Ryan (608) 266-2112 September 25, 2024

The following agenda describes the issues that the Board plans to consider at the meeting. At the time of the meeting, items may be removed from the agenda. Please consult the meeting minutes for a record of the actions of the Board.

AGENDA

9:00 A.M.

OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

- A. Adoption of Agenda (1-3)
- B. Approval of Minutes of March 5, 2024 (4-7)
- C. Reminders: Conflicts of Interest, Scheduling Concerns
- D. Introductions, Announcements and Recognition
- E. Administrative Matters Discussion and Consideration
 - 1) Department, Staff and Board Updates
 - 2) Board Members Board Member Status
 - a. Atkins, Stephanie -7/1/2027
 - b. Davide, Jay J. -7/1/2026
 - c. Johnsen, John J. 7/1/2025
 - d. Moll, Michael K. -7/1/2028
 - e. Roberge, Erin C. -7/1/2027
 - f. Wedro, Benjamin C. -7/1/2027
 - 3) Wis. Stat. § 15.083(3)(b) Biannual Meeting with the Medical Examining Board
- F. Legislative and Policy Matters Discussion and Consideration
- G. Administrative Rule Matters Discussion and Consideration (8)
 - 1) Preliminary Rule Draft: AT 4, Relating to Protocol Requirements (9-13)
 - 2) Pending or Possible Rulemaking Projects (14)
- H. Board of Certification for the Athletic Trainer 2024 CARE Conference Report (15-16)
- I. Discussion and Consideration of Items Added After Preparation of Agenda:
 - 1) Introductions, Announcements and Recognition
 - 2) Nominations, Elections, and Appointments
 - 3) Administrative Matters

- 4) Election of Officers
- 5) Appointment of Liaisons and Alternates
- 6) Delegation of Authorities
- 7) Education and Examination Matters
- 8) Credentialing Matters
- 9) Practice Matters
- 10) Legislative and Administrative Rule Matters
- 11) Liaison Reports
- 12) Board Liaison Training and Appointment of Mentors
- 13) Public Health Emergencies
- 14) Informational Items
- 15) Division of Legal Services and Compliance (DLSC) Matters
- 16) Presentations of Petitions for Summary Suspension
- 17) Petitions for Designation of Hearing Examiner
- 18) Presentation of Stipulations, Final Decisions and Orders
- 19) Presentation of Proposed Final Decisions and Orders
- 20) Presentation of Interim Orders
- 21) Petitions for Re-Hearing
- 22) Petitions for Assessments
- 23) Petitions to Vacate Orders
- 24) Requests for Disciplinary Proceeding Presentations
- 25) Motions
- 26) Petitions
- 27) Appearances from Requests Received or Renewed
- 28) Speaking Engagements, Travel, or Public Relation Requests, and Reports

J. Public Comments

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.); to consider licensure or certification of individuals (s. 19.85(1)(b), Stats.); to consider closing disciplinary investigations with administrative warnings (ss. 19.85 (1)(b), and 448.02(8), Stats.); to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85 (1)(f), Stats.); and to confer with legal counsel (s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats.).

K. Deliberation on Division of Legal Services and Compliance (DLSC) Matters

- 1) Administrative Warnings
 - a. 24 ATB 001 A.A.B. (17-18)
- L. Deliberation of Items Added After Preparation of the Agenda
 - 1) Education and Examination Matters
 - 2) Credentialing Matters
 - 3) DLSC Matters
 - 4) Monitoring Matters
 - 5) Professional Assistance Procedure (PAP) Matters
 - 6) Petitions for Summary Suspensions
 - 7) Petitions for Designation of Hearing Examiner
 - 8) Proposed Stipulations, Final Decisions and Order
 - 9) Proposed Interim Orders
 - 10) Administrative Warnings
 - 11) Review of Administrative Warnings
 - 12) Proposed Final Decisions and Orders
 - 13) Matters Relating to Costs/Orders Fixing Costs

- 14) Case Closings
- 15) Board Liaison Training
- 16) Petitions for Assessments and Evaluations
- 17) Petitions to Vacate Orders
- 18) Remedial Education Cases
- 19) Motions
- 20) Petitions for Re-Hearing
- 21) Appearances from Requests Received or Renewed
- M. Consulting with Legal Counsel

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

- N. Vote on Items Considered or Deliberated Upon in Closed Session, if Voting is Appropriate
- O. Open Session Items Noticed Above Not Completed in the Initial Open Session
- P. Delegation and Ratification of Licenses Issued Between Meetings

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING: TO BE DETERMINED (2025)

Board Member Training: November 15, 2024

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VIRTUAL/TELECONFERENCE ATHLETIC TRAINERS AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD MEETING MINUTES MARCH 5, 2024

PRESENT: Stephanie Atkins, Jay Davide (arrived at 9:03 a.m.), John Johnsen, Michael Moll, Erin

Roberge, Benjamin Wedro

STAFF: Tom Ryan, Executive Director; Jameson Whitney, Legal Counsel; Nilajah Hardin;

Administrative Rule Coordinator; Tracy Drinkwater, Board Administration Specialist;

and other Department staff

CALL TO ORDER

John Johnsen, Vice Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum of five (5) members was confirmed.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Michael Moll moved, seconded by Stephanie Atkins, to adopt the Agenda as

published. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES SEPTEMBER 27, 2023

MOTION: Benjamin Wedro moved, seconded by John Johnsen, to approve the Minutes of

September 27, 2023, as published. Motion carried unanimously.

Jay Davide arrived at 9:03 a.m.

INTRODUCTIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITION

Recognition: Kurt A. Fielding, Athletic Trainer Member

MOTION: John Johnsen moved, seconded by Benjamin Wedro, to recognize and thank Kurt

Fielding for his years of dedicated service to the Board and State of Wisconsin.

Motion carried unanimously. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Election of Officers

Chairperson

NOMINATION: Stephanie Atkins nominated Benjamin Wedro for the Office of Chairperson.

Benjamin Wedro declined the nomination.

NOMINATION: Michael Moll nominated himself for the Office of Chairperson.

Tom Ryan, Executive Director, called for nominations three (3) times.

Michael Moll was elected as Chairperson by unanimous voice vote.

Vice Chairperson

NOMINATION: Stephanie Atkins nominated Benjamin Wedro for the Office of Vice Chairperson.

Benjamin Wedro declined the nomination.

NOMINATION: Benjamin Wedro nominated John Johnsen for the Office of Vice Chairperson.

John Johnsen accepted the nomination.

Tom Ryan, Executive Director, called for nominations three (3) times.

John Johnsen was elected as Vice Chairperson by unanimous voice vote.

Secretary

NOMINATION: Benjamin Wedro nominated Stephanie Atkins for the Secretary. Stephanie Atkins

accepted the nomination.

Tom Ryan, Executive Director, called for nominations three (3) times.

Stephanie Atkins was elected as Secretary by unanimous voice vote.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

ELECTION RESULTS				
Chairperson	Michael Moll			
Vice Chairperson	John Johnsen			
Secretary	Stephanie Atkins			

Appointment of Liaisons and Alternates

LIAISON APPOINTMENTS				
Credentialing Liaison(s)	John Johnsen Alternate: Erin Roberge			
Legislative Liaison(s)	Jay Davide <i>Alternate:</i> Benjamin Wedro			
Education and Examinations Liaison(s)	John Johnsen Alternate: Stephanie Atkins			
Monitoring Liaison(s)	Benjamin Wedro Alternate: Michael Moll			
Professional Assistance Procedure (PAP) Liaison(s)	Benjamin Wedro Alternate: Jay Davide Erin Roberge Alternate: Stephanie Atkins			
Website Liaison(s)				

Travel Authorization Liaison(s)	John Johnsen Alternate: Jay Davide		
Screening Panel	Stephanie Atkins, John Johnsen Erin Roberge <i>Alternate:</i> Michael Moll		

Delegation of Authorities

Review and Approval of 2023 Delegations

MOTION: John Johnsen moved, seconded by Jay Davide, to reaffirm all delegation motions

from 2023 as reflected in the agenda materials. Motion carried unanimously.

Document Signature Delegations

MOTION: Michael Moll moved, seconded by John Johnsen, in order to carry out duties of

the Board, the Chairperson (or in absence of the Chairperson, the highest-ranking officer or longest serving board member in that succession) has the ability to delegate signature authority for purposes of facilitating the completion of assignments during or between meetings. The members of the Board hereby

delegate to the Executive Director, Board Counsel or DPD Division

Administrator, the authority to sign on behalf of a board member as necessary.

Motion carried unanimously.

Monitoring Delegations

Delegation of Authorities for Monitoring

MOTION: John Johnsen moved, seconded by Jay Davide, to adopt the "Roles and

Authorities Delegated for Monitoring" document as presented in the March 5,

2024, agenda materials. Motion carried unanimously.

Delegation to Department Attorneys to Approve Duplicate Legal Issue

MOTION: Jay Davide moved, seconded by Stephanie Atkins, to delegate authority to

Department Attorneys to approve a legal matter in connection with a renewal application when that same/similar matter was already addressed by the Board

and there are no new legal issues. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULE MATTERS

Drafting Proposals: AT 4, Relating to Protocol Requirements

MOTION: Michael Moll moved, seconded by Jay Davide, to designate John Johnsen to serve

as liaison to DSPS staff for drafting AT 4, relating to Protocol Requirements.

Motion carried unanimously.

DELEGATION OF RATIFICATION OF EXAMINATION RESULTS AND RATIFICATION OF LICENSES AND CERTIFICATES

MOTION: Michael Moll moved, seconded by John Johnsen, to delegate ratification of

examination results to DSPS staff and to delegate and ratify all licenses and

certificates as issued. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: John Johnsen moved, seconded by Jay Davide, to adjourn the meeting. Motion

carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

State of Wisconsin Department of Safety & Professional Services

AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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Administrative Rules Coordinator		Items will be considered late if submitted after 12:00 p.m. on the deadline				
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	Appearance Regu			N/A		
☐ Closed Session	☐ Yes		,			
10) Describe the issue a		ld be addressed:		<u> </u>		
Attachments:						
1. AT 4 Redline 2. AT 4 Prelimi	nary Rule Draft					
3. Rule Projects						
11)		Authoriza	tion			
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Signature of person making this request Date						
Supervisor (if required) Date						
Executive Director signature (indicates approval to add post agenda deadline item to agenda) Date						
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meeting.						

Chapter AT 4

EVALUATION AND TREATMENT PROTOCOL

AT 4.01 Protocol evaluation and treatment procedures

AT 4.02 Mandatory protocol requirements

AT 4.01 Protocol evaluation and treatment procedures. A protocol established by the licensee shall be in writing and may include any of the following evaluation and treatment procedures:

(1)Taking a basic medical history when necessary for evaluation and treatment of an injury or illness sustained while participating in physical activity. A basic medical history may include any of the following:

- (a) Previous medical history.
- (b) Previous surgical history.
- (c) Pertinent family medical history.
- (d) Current medication history including known drug allergies.
- (e) Relevant social history.
- (f) Chief medical complaint.
- (g) History of the present injury or illness for which the person to be treated is seeking evaluation and treatment.

(2)Evaluating an injury or illness sustained while participating in physical activity. An evaluation may include any of the following procedures:

- (a) Palpation.
- (b) General observation.
- (c) Motion assessment.
- (d) Muscle strength tests.
- (e) Endurance tests.
- (f) Neurological assessment.
- (g) Joint play assessment.
- (h) Functional evaluation.
- (i) Objective physical measurement.
- (j) Circulatory assessment.

(3)Treating an injury or illness sustained while participating in physical activity. Treatment may include any of the following procedures:

- (a) Emergency care.
- (b) Ultrasound.
- (c) Phonophoresis.
- (d) Electrical nerve stimulation.
- (e) Iontophoresis.
- (f) Specified diathermy.
- (g) Intermittent compression.
- (h) Traction.
- (i) Therapeutic massage.
- (j) Moist heat.
- (k) Paraffin baths.
- (L) Cryotherapy.

(4) Rehabilitating an injury or illness sustained while participating in physical activity. Rehabilitation may include any of the following procedures:

- (a) Progressive resistance exercise.
- (b) Range of motion exercise.
- (c) Trigger pointmanual therapy.
- (d) Joint mobilization for range of motion only.
- (e) Proprioceptive neuromuscular facilitation.
- (f) Functional exercise.

Commented [NH1]: Note from 03/05 Meeting: Update "exercise" provisions.

- (g) Cardiovascular exercise.
- (h) Aquatic exercise.
- (i) Taping, bracing and splinting.
- (j) Isokinetic exercise.
- (k) Isometric exercise.
- (L) Isotonic exercise.
- (5) Administering specifically enumerated drugs.

AT 4.02 Mandatory protocol requirements. A protocol must contain all of the following:

- (2) The requirement that if a licensee determines that a patient's medical condition is beyond the scope of practice of the licensee, the licensee shall, in accordance with the protocol, refer the patient to a health care practitioner who is licensed under ch. 446 or 447, Stats., or subch. II, III or IV, of ch. 448, Stats., and who can provide appropriate treatment to the patient.
- (3) The requirement that a licensee shall modify or terminate treatment of a patient that is not beneficial to a patient or that the patient cannot tolerate.

 (4) The name, signature and date of signature of the licensee.

STATE OF WISCONSIN ATHLETIC TRAINERS AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF RULEMAKING : PROPOSED ORDER OF THE PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE : ATHLETIC TRAINERS AFFILIATED : CREDENTIALING BOARD

CREDENTIALING BOARD : ADOPTING RULES

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PROPOSED ORDER

(CLEARINGHOUSE RULE

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An order of the Athletic Trainers Affiliated Credentialing Board to amend , relating to references to protocol requirements.

Analysis prepared by the Department of Safety and Professional Services.

<u>ANALYSIS</u>

Statutes interpreted: Sections 448.955 (3) (c), 448.956 (1) (a), and 448.956 (4), Stats.

Statutory authority: Sections 15.085 (5) (b) and 448.9525 (2), Stats.

Explanation of agency authority:

Section 15.085 (5) (b), Stats. states that "[Each affiliated credentialing board] shall promulgate rules for its own guidance and for the guidance of the trade or profession to which it pertains, and define and enforce professional conduct and unethical practices not inconsistent with the law relating to the particular trade or profession..."

Section 448.9525 (2), Stats., states that "subject to s. 448.956 (1), (4) and (5), the affiliated credentialing board and the medical examining board shall jointly promulgate rules relating to the minimum requirements of a protocol required under s. 448.956 (1)."

Related statute or rule: None.

Plain language analysis:

The proposed rule

Summary of, and comparison with, existing or proposed federal regulation: None.

Comparison with rules in adjacent states:

Illinois: The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation is responsible for the licensure and regulation of Athletic Trainers in Illinois, with input from the Illinois Board of Athletic Trainers. The Illinois Board is also responsible for the promulgation of rules to implement certain sections of the Illinois Athletic Trainers Practice Act. This Act includes a list of duties that an Athletic Trainer can provide, including coordination with a physician to provide a physical exam, follow-up injury care, and reconditioning programs among other services. They

can also perform several services independently including on-site injury care and evaluation. An evaluation and treatment protocol does not appear to be required in Illinois, however many elements of a protocol are listed as duties that an Athletic Trainer can provide [225 Illinois Compiled Statutes Chapter 5 Section 3 Subsection 4].

Iowa: The Iowa Public Health Department is responsible for the licensure and regulation of Athletic Trainers in Iowa, with input from the Iowa Board of Athletic Trainers. Chapter 152D of the Iowa Code outlines the statutes for the regulation of the practice of athletic training in Iowa. These statutes include general requirements for licensure and duties of the Iowa Board [Iowa Code Title IV Chapter 152D]. The Iowa Administrative Code includes rules that establish that each licensee must ensure that documentation of physician direction is obtained and maintained, including an athletic training service plan, referrals, initial evaluations and assessments, and dates of subsequent follow-up care. Athletic Trainers in Iowa are also required to have their athletic training service plans comply with the Practice Standards and Code of Professional Responsibility parts of January 2018 Standards and Professional Practice from the Board of Certification [645 Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 351].

Michigan: The Michigan Athletic Trainer Board is responsible for the licensure and regulation of Athletic Trainers in Michigan. Act 368 Article 15 of the Michigan Compiled Laws includes the regulations for Athletic Trainers in Michigan, among several other occupations [Michigan Compiled Laws Act 368 Article 15 Chapter 333 Part 179]. The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, in conjunction with the Michigan Board, promulgates administrative rules that include requirements for licensure, education, and examination, among other topics. Michigan has also adopted by reference the January 2021 Standards of Professional Practice from the Board of Certification. Outside of those standards, there does not appear to be any additional requirements for service or treatment plans or protocols [Michigan Administrative Code R 338.1301-R 338.1378].

Minnesota: The Minnesota Board of Medical Practice is responsible for the licensure and regulation of Athletic Trainers in Minnesota. The Minnesota Athletic Trainers Act includes statutory requirements for limitations on practice, licensure, and continuing education, among other topics [Minnesota Statutes Section 148.7801 to 148.7815]. Part 5600 of the Minnesota Administrative Code includes rules establish by the Minnesota Board, but does not mention requirements for service or treatment plans or protocols for athletic trainers [Minnesota Administrative Rules Chapters 5600 to 5620].

Summary of factual data and analytical methodologies:

The proposed rules were developed by reviewing Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapter AT 4 and obtaining input and feedback from the Athletic Trainers Affiliated Credentialing Board.

Analysis and supporting documents used to determine effect on small business or in preparation of economic impact analysis:

The proposed rules will be posted for a period of 14 days to solicit public comment on economic impact, including how the proposed rules may affect businesses, local government units, and individuals.

Fiscal Estimate and Economic Impact Analysis:

The Fiscal Estimate and Economic Impact Analysis will be attached upon completion.

Effect on small business:

These proposed rules do not have an economic impact on small businesses, as defined in s. 227.114 (1), Stats. The Department's Regulatory Review Coordinator may be contacted at Jennifer.Garrett@wisconsin.gov or (608) 266-2112.

Agency contact person:

Nilajah Hardin, Administrative Rules Coordinator, Department of Safety and Professional Services, Division of Policy Development, 4822 Madison Yards Way, P.O. Box 8366, Madison, Wisconsin 53708; email at DSPSAdminRules@wisconsin.gov.

Place where comments are to be submitted and deadline for submission:

Comments may be submitted to Nilajah Hardin, Administrative Rules Coordinator, Department of Safety and Professional Services, Division of Policy Development, 4822 Madison Yards Way, P.O. Box 8366, Madison, WI 53708-8366, or by email to DSPSAdminRules@wisconsin.gov. Comments must be received on or before the public hearing, held on a date to be determined, to be included in the record of rule-making proceedings.

TEXT OF RULE

SECTION 1. AT 4.01 (1) is amended to read:

SECTION 2. AT to read:

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. The rules adopted in this order shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register, pursuant to s. 227.22 (2) (intro.), Stats.

(END OF TEXT OF RULE)

Athletic Trainers Affiliated Credentialing Board Rule Projects (updated 09/13/24)

Clearinghouse Rule Number	Scope #	Scope Expiration	Code Chapter Affected	Relating clause	Current Stage	Next Step
Not Assigned Yet	097-22	06/12/2025	AT 4	Protocol Requirements	Board Review of Preliminary Rule Draft at 9/25/24 Meeting	Board Approval of Preliminary Rule Draft for Submission for EIA Comment and Clearinghouse Review

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9/25/2024	⊠ Ye	es Board of (f Certification for the Athletic Trainer 2024 CARE Conference		
7) Place Item in: Solution 8) Is an appearance to scheduled? (If yes, place it scheduled) Appearance Request to the scheduled Yes			s, please	complete		
		 ⊠ No				
10) Describe the issue a	nd action		dressed:			
A report from the 2024 E	OC CAR	E Conference will b	oe deliver	ed.		
The Conference has bee Trainers Affiliated Crede					" in honor of former Wisconsin Athletic	
DSPS requests that the Board consider the following motion to recognize this honor: "XX moved, seconded by XX, that the Wisconsin Athletic Trainers Affiliated Credentialing Board (ATACB) recognizes the distinct honor bestowed upon former Wisconsin ATACB member Brad Sherman by the Board of Certification for the Athletic Trainer, which renamed its CARE Conference to the BOC Brad Sherman Regulatory Conference at its 2024 Conference."						
11) Authorization						
Signature of person making this request Date						
Supervisor (Only required for post agenda deadline items) Date						
Executive Director signature (Indicates approval for post agenda deadline items) Date						
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The BOC Mourns the Passing of Bradley J. Sherman

It is with great sadness that the BOC announces the passing of Bradley J. Sherman.

Brad was a lifelong servant to the athletic training profession. As a member of the BOC Board of Directors from 1986-1997 Sherman served as the president of the organization from 1995-1997, as well as serving on the BOC's Athletic Trainer (AT) Regulatory Conference Advisory Panel from 2004–2009.

"Brad will be missed by many," said Anne Minton, CEO of the BOC. "He was a longtime friend and mentor to the BOC staff and was a driving factor in our first BOC state regulatory conference."

In addition to being active with the BOC, Sherman served as one of the charter members and founders of the Wisconsin Athletic Trainers' Association (WATA) serving on numerous state committees and as a state representative to District 4 of the National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA). He received the WATA Distinguished Service Award in 1987 and was a member of the NATA since 1993. Brad served from 1982 to 1988 on the NATA Research and Injury Committee and as the general chairperson for the NATA District 4 Annual Symposium in 1989 and 1996. Brad was inducted into the WATA Hall of Fame in 1997 and served as a member of the Wisconsin Athletic Trainers Affiliated Credentialing Board from 2001-2005.

Brad received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Wisconsin–Eau Claire in 1966 and earned his master's degree at UW-Stevens Point. After teaching and coaching for five years, Brad was hired as an assistant AT at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. In 1978, Brad decided he wanted to see athletic training services provided to high school athletes and returned to teaching and coaching, this time at Lakeland High School in Minocqua, Wis.

In 1981, Brad returned to the University of Wisconsin-Madison to assist Dr. William Clancy in starting the UW Hospital's Sportsmedicine Program, becoming the director of the UW Hospital Sportsmedicine Center in 1984. Along with Dr. William Clancy, administrators Gordon Derzon and Gordon Ridley, and a dedicated staff of wonderful, passionate professionals, Brad and his colleagues transformed a fledging program of two orthopedists, a physical therapist and an AT into one of the top sports medicine programs in the country. In 1995, the program moved into a state-of-the-art multidisciplinary facility that included sports medicine, spine and family medicine clinics and cardiac rehabilitation, fitness and aquatic centers.

Brad's interest in athletic training and continuing education led to the inception and development of annual WIAA injury workshops for coaches and the Annual UW Sportsmedicine Symposium for medical professionals. He also served as medical coordinator for the Badger State Summer Games from 1984-88.

