OATH OF A PHYSICAL THERAPIST

In the presence of my colleagues, friends, families and teachers, and in view of the honored profession I am entering into, I solemnly and willingly state that I dedicate myself to the following:

❖ I will practice physical therapy with compassion for the vulnerabilities in each of my patients and will work to preserve their dignity and promote their health and welfare.

❖ I will value the lives of my patients as I value my own life, through my concern for their significance and with respect for them and the confidential nature of our relationship.

❖ I will be humble.

❖ I recognize my limitations and will continue to consult with my colleagues and co-workers for knowledge with which I can better treat my patients and for the inspiration to expand and augment my education.

❖ I will share my knowledge with my colleagues and patients freely, with compassion and patience.

❖ I will work toward the improvement of the quality of life for all of my patients.

❖ I will honor the choices that my patients make with respect to their wishes and needs.

❖ I will do no harm to another human.

❖ I will work to improve the practice of physical therapy so that all who seek it will receive treatment which is proper, ethical and just.

❖ I will not allow my judgment regarding the practice of my profession to be influenced by race, creed, religion, greed or unethical behavior.

❖ I will expect the same behavior from my colleagues and co-workers.

Thus, with this oath, I freely accept the obligations and rewards which will accompany my practice of physical therapy.