



**Kaiser Permanente PT Residency in Advanced
Orthopedic Manual Therapy
27400 Hesperian Blvd
Hayward, California 94545
Request for Reference**

_____ is applying for admission to the following program at Kaiser Permanente in Hayward, California:

_____ Clinical Mentorship in Orthopedic Manual Physical Therapy

_____ Advanced Clinical Fellowship in Orthopedic Manual Physical Therapy

The selection committee would like your assessment of this candidate's academic and clinical ability and potential for growth.

The program will involve a full-time work-study program designed to balance clinical course work and 1:1 clinical mentoring. Clinical course work will emphasize: 1) manual therapy examination and treatment, 2) selected aspects of exercise, ergonomics and self-management as part of comprehensive patient management, and 3) clinical reasoning concepts. Participants will be required to critique scientific literature and complete selected clinical projects.

Participants who complete the Mentorship *and* the Advanced Fellowship *and* selected required course work in the applied sciences at affiliated universities will meet requirements to become a Fellow in the American Academy of Orthopaedic Manual Physical Therapists.

The program requires the applicant to be motivated, analytical, self-directed and flexible in their learning. As the number of positions is limited, we are anxious to accept those physical therapists with the highest ability to assimilate clinical and academic information. All participants will be required to complete at a high standard, all written and practical examinations.

Please rate the candidate on the qualities listed on the attached checklist. Include a brief letter of recommendation with your evaluation of the applicant's overall potential for post-graduate study in manual therapy. Please include your address, phone number, and **email** in case we need further information. Place your letter in a sealed envelope, sign across the seal, and give your letter to the applicant to send with his/her application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carol Jo Tichenor".

Carol Jo Tichenor, MA, PT, HFAAOMPT
Director

510 675-4259 reference letter/applicant/word