

## **Devin S. Kielur DAT, LAT, ATC: Southwest Regional Representative**

Greetings PATS Southwest Athletic Trainers,

I am honored to seek an appointment for the Southwest Regional Representative position within the Pennsylvania Athletic Trainers' Society. My journey with PATS has been nothing short of transformative, and I am excited for the opportunity to expand my contribution to our collective mission and vision of athletic training in Pennsylvania.

My involvement with PATS began as a member of the Technology Committee. Initially tasked to assist with social media management, I witnessed firsthand the evolution of our committee into a vital component of PATS, reflecting the organization's dynamic needs. Since joining as a committee member and evolving into the recently established social media committee chair, we have seen significant social media growth across all platforms (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) to 5,298 followers and over 1 million impressions made since 2018; with 386,394 specifically coming in 2023. In addition to working with the technology and social media committees, it was a joy to aid in the organization and execution of the PATS Student Symposium in 2021 and 2022 hosted in Pittsburgh. The engagement and success of each symposium brought recognition to the quality opportunities and development of athletic training in Western PA. The invaluable experience in event planning and management along the way has fostered tremendous networking opportunities that will aid in the continuous growth and development of athletic training. Finally, in 2022 I have taken on my most recent role as Treasurer for the PATS ConcussionWise workgroup. In this work, we have supported the evolving needs of this program to aid in the completion of over 207 courses for 3,974 athletes, parents, and coaches. These experiences have provided me with a comprehensive understanding of PATS, its values, and the challenges we collectively face.

As the Southwest Regional Representative, I am eager to leverage this background to ensure that the unique needs of our region are effectively represented within PATS. Collaboration will be at the forefront of my approach, as I work to foster relationships and put forward the quality partnerships of Western PA athletic trainers that will aid in the mission and vision of PATS. My vision for the Southwest region is one of inclusivity, innovation, and growth. I am committed to advocating for the resources and support necessary to empower our members and enhance the quality of care we provide to our communities.

If elected, I pledge to serve with integrity, transparency, and a steadfast dedication to our mission and vision. Together, we will navigate the challenges of the future to foster the evolution of athletic training and healthcare.

I am deeply honored to put forth my efforts and commitment for this role, and I am eager to embark on this journey with the leadership group ahead. Together, we will continue to elevate PATS to new heights and make a lasting impact on our communities and the profession of athletic training.

Thank you for your consideration and support!