

Dr. Michelle E. Wolpov, PT, DPT, MBA, AT(R), CSCS

Dr. Wolpov has practiced in the physical therapy industry for over 35 years, and she specializes in the outpatient orthopedic setting. In May 2002, Dr. Wolpov purchased a fitness studio in Manalapan, New Jersey. Game Shape Fitness Center is an exclusive one-on-one personal training facility combined with a fitness membership clientele. That same year, she founded a premier physical therapy facility called Professional Sports & Orthopaedic Rehabilitation Associates, LLC, inside of the Game Shape location. In 2017, both facilities were merged and became "Game Shape Physical Therapy & Fitness Center". Game Shape is a Rehabilitation Network Participating Location, with the Hospital for Special Surgery (HSS) in New York City.

In 2005, Dr. Wolpov began consulting as an Expert Witness in the physical therapy and fitness industries. She has handled over 160+ cases for both plaintiff (65%) and defense (35%), writing expert opinions, and testifying at depositions and in court. Her other expert consulting services include: Fraud and RICO violations, litigation consulting, research and investigation, documentation auditing, independent PT examinations (IMEs), and consulting in standards of care. Dr. Wolpov also provides online support for PT Business Owners in all areas of business management and operations. In 2001, Dr. Wolpov graduated top of her class, with a 4.0 GPA and an MBA from Monmouth University. In 2011, Dr. Wolpov graduated from the EIM – Institute of Health Professions with a Doctorate in Physical Therapy with emphasis in Executive Private Practice Management.

Dr. Wolpov's extensive hands-on Clinical Experience includes providing the most advanced, evidence-based treatment services to patients of all ages with both orthopedic and neurological conditions, including post-operative patients. In the past, Dr. Wolpov has worked in various types of clinical settings including hospitals, home care, assisted living, subacute rehabilitation, and outpatient practices. Dr. Wolpov is preparing to sit for Orthopedic Board Certification (OCS), through the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties (ABPTS), at some future date. She has taken over 88 continuing education courses in the areas of orthopedics and sports medicine. Dr. Wolpov has also written many PT policies and procedures on the safe handling of patients and on fall prevention.

Dr. Wolpov had always consistently risen through increasing levels of responsibility within the rehabilitation services industry. In the 1990's, Dr. Wolpov opened and directed start-up physical therapy facilities throughout New Jersey for large PT companies. Dr. Wolpov also has strong business experience in the areas of strategic planning, financial management, operations, risk management, quality control, documentation auditing, policies & procedures, human resource management, marketing, and business development. She was also a nominee for the prestigious Athena Award for her commitment to the community and the advancement of women in business.

In 2017, Dr. Wolpov set out to promote new legislature to the general population, by authoring the book, "Direct Access to Physical Therapy: The Secret Revealed", as she hopes to help people understand the benefits of seeing a physical therapist first for musculoskeletal problems. The book is available on Amazon and Kindle.

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