

Department of Health
Board of Physical Therapy
Policy/Procedure

Title:	Use of term “Sports Medicine”	Number:	3.2
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Charles Martin, PT, DPT, Board Chair			

Purpose Statement:

The purpose of this policy is to insure that Physical Therapists do not advertise in a manner that is false or misleading.

Policy Statement:

Use of the term “medicine” or “sports medicine” in advertising by a Physical Therapist has a high likelihood of resulting in patients being misled about the services that can actually be provided by a Physical Therapist.