Athletic Trainers

Athletic trainers prevent, recognize, and evaluate athletic injuries and provide immediate care, rehabilitation and reconditioning services to athletes. Athletic trainers work in cooperation with physicians and other allied health personnel and function as an integral member of the athletic health care team at secondary schools, colleges and universities, sports medicine clinics, professional sports programs and other athletic health care settings.

Qualifications

- Bachelor’s degree from an accredited four-year college or university, with course work in athletic training, health, physical education or exercise science, with:
  - Passing score on examination administered by the Board of Certification (BOC), or equivalent (prior to taking BOC exam)
  - Or, completion of course work, education and practical work experience, including graduation from an entry-level Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Educational Programs curriculum in athletic training or a combination of approved course work and completion of at least 1,500 hours of practice work experience
  - Or, current license, certificate or registration issued by another state or territory
  - Current CPR certification

Continuing Education: Registrants must complete 75 clock hours of continuing education coinciding with the BOC’s three-year reporting period. The three-year period is independent of the date of first registration, with the initial reporting period commencing January 1, 2000, and ending December 31, 2002. Subsequent reporting periods begin January 1 and end December 31, in three-year increments.

Authorizing Laws & Rules: This program exists under the regulatory oversight of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency (OHLA). The Board of Athletic Trainers profession-specific statutes (ORS 688.701-688.734) and rules (OAR 331, Divisions 105-135) link to OHLA’s overarching statutes (ORS 676.600-992) and rules (OAR 331, Divisions 1-30) for all OHLA-regulated professions.