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Dr. Terry A. Sneed, PT, DPT, ATC, CEAS
Director
Elite Physical Therapy & Wellness Center
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Dear Dr. Sneed,

I am writing to inform you of my interest in the position of physical therapist, as indicated on the APTA career website. This position attracted my attention as a long-term resident of the D.C. metro area with a passion not only for rehabilitation but also injury prevention and wellness.

As a former professional dancer, I have long been fascinated with the impact of movement on the human experience. Years of teaching dance across cultures and generations have given me a unique perspective from which to analyze and instruct the subtleties of motion. I spent one year teaching and leading a group of adult dancers in Costa Rica, as well as touring the country extensively to share the art form with rural communities who are otherwise unable to access these experiences. My passion for reaching across cultures into underserved communities has expanded to include the medically underserved as well. I continue to volunteer at free medical clinics translating Spanish/English to improve access for this population. As part of Primary Care Progress, a national organization with a mission to strengthen the community at the heart of care, I receive relational leadership training in order to more effectively raise awareness and promote structural change in the area of health equity and inter-professionalism. These experiences as well as others complement my DPT training at Shenandoah.

The provision of outstanding, competent care has motivated me to seek out the experiences that led me to this job. My past experience as a performing artist and dance instructor enhances my ability to treat this population and value wellness and injury prevention strategies such as Pilates. The Performing Arts Medicine certification further refines these unique experiences into applicable skills. I hope to employ my abilities as part of a team enhancing the quality of life for those in the District.

My interest in the position of Physical Therapist is based upon the above experiences and passions. I will contact you on Wednesday to speak personally regarding the potential of an interview. I look forward to meeting you and sincerely appreciate your consideration of my application.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Elliott