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Accomplishments

- Initiated a strategic plan to focus on matching the priorities of the IATA and the use of its resources
- Worked with Sue Finkam and Riley Children's Hospital to co-author and host information of steroid use and related facts
- Changed the IATA logo and website design, modernized
- Modified templates for LAT to utilize for relations with insurance companies (modeled from Wisconsin Athletic Trainers' Association) Requested opinion (via letter) from Hall Render (legal counsel) on "Delegation of Services for LAT in a Hospital Setting" and "Scope of Practice for LAT"
- Initiated Town Hall meetings around the state related to Reimbursement topics for LAT
- Moved honors and awards dinner from summer meeting to fall meeting for improved attendance and better recognition of members
- Language clarified legislatively regarding high school students and their role and title in Athletic Training
- Designated \$3000 to be given to LAT-PAC annually from the golf outing
- Supported licensure of Occupational Therapist
- Moved IATA Hall of Fame display from Butler to Indiana Wesleyan campus
- Met with several groups to build coalitions regarding AT reimbursement... Set the foundation for the recent legislative progress
- Increased involvement of members and students in association business and educational programming

Challenges

- Building relationships and seeking to achieve reimbursement for LAT services
- Marketing and communication to members and other groups about the benefits and skills of the LAT
- Apathy and involvement of members - encouraging them to become involved and feeling like they can make a difference



Memories / Words of Wisdom

“It was a lot of work and took a lot of time but it was some of the more rewarding years professionally. Working with and leading so many awesome colleagues was the best reward as we built strong long lasting professional friendships. I can only hope that I was able to be as positive in their lives as they have been in mine. I owe so much to this great profession. I would encourage all to take an active role in the direction of our profession. Get Involved...Stay Involved.”