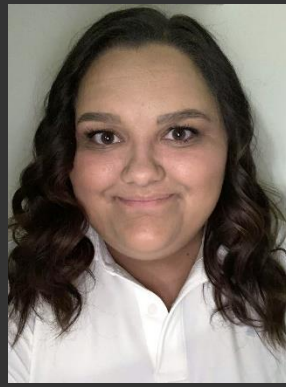


TAWMIE BERRY



Nominee for

AzATA Board of Directors

At-Large Member

Please tell us about yourself (ex: where you went to college, previously positions held in leadership, current/past work experience).

I started getting interested in athletic training during high school. I saw my brother get hurt during a football game and the athletic trainer was helping him. I was so curious on what that job was, so I decided to try out the Sports Medicine class. I absolutely loved it. I volunteered after school most days for the next three years and ended up going to college for athletic training. I got my bachelors from Presentation College where I also played softball for my first two years there. I graduated and became certified in 2019. After college I got my first job at Gilbert Classical Academy. I started working on my Masters degree in Sports Science and rehabilitation, graduating in 2021. I didn't quite finish my first year as a professional due to COVID. After restrictions were lifted, I found myself as the Head Athletic Trainer at Santa Rita High School in Tucson. After two years there I decided to try teaching sports medicine at Queen Creek High School. I found teaching in the classroom is not for me and decided to take on a new position for AT Direct Sports Medicine as Event Operations Coordinator where I help with event scheduling, event operations, and providing medical coverage for the events we work. I am also currently enrolled in the DAT program at A.T. Still University.

Please let us know why you are interested in this position.

I am interested in an At-Large position because it allows me to begin my goals of improving the athletic training profession for all athletic trainers. Being an At-Large member means I would represent the AZATA membership and athletic training. I would use my position to become a resource and provide resources to new athletic trainers to help them have successful careers without feeling over-whelmed or lost. I also want to be able to help Arizona high school hire athletic trainers by educating them on the importance and benefits of athletic training. This would help provide athletes with appropriate care for injuries during their sports.