

Stroudsburg Mountaineer Basketball

Head Coach: Shawn Thornton

Assistants: Tarik El-Bassiouni, Chip Mery, Pete Sobrinski

Mountain Valley Conference Champions: 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999

District XI Champions: 1996, 1999

PIAA Eastern Semifinalist: 1996

June 5, 2007

Dear Doctors and Office Administrators,

This letter comes to you on behalf of my wife, Karin, and me to sing the praises of your Physical Therapy Department. For over two months each over the past year, we were both patients whose care was overseen by Katie Finlayson specifically, but who also had reason to interact and/or be cared for by several members of the PT Dept. To say that we couldn't have been in better hands is an understatement.

To start, I'll speak of Katie. From our initial evaluations, we were both incredibly impressed by both her engaging nature and obvious knowledge. We valued how comfortable she always made us feel and how much she showed she cared for our specific needs and development. At all times she was a consummate professional who was obviously not just interested in providing PT services, but in providing them in the best way possible in relation to our individual needs. I can say, without reservation, that we feel she was as important to "fixing" our problems as the surgeons who worked on us. She's a credit to her profession and an employee that certainly reflects positively on your practice.

This can also be said for the other physical therapists. The physical set-up of the PT suite offers a unique opportunity to observe all of the therapists as they both do their jobs and interact with each other. I was always impressed by the competence they each displayed as they worked with such a wide variety of needs. In addition, they all demonstrated a deft ability to maintain the personal attention patients need even while juggling more than one patient at a time. Another thing we were very impressed with was how well the department operated as a team. They were always more than willing to help each other out, especially to accommodate overlapped schedules or to provide consultation when requested. It was obvious that they share a philosophy of care and cooperation that is most commendable.

Too often, those who deserve credit the most are left unrecognized, and we just wanted to take a moment to make sure that didn't happen here. You can be proud of the work being done in your Physical Therapy Department. Patient care is undeniably their number one priority and you can be sure we will recommend Mt. Valley to anyone we know who's in need of such services.

Thankfully,



Shawn P. Thornton



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