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I have freely chosen the profession of physical therapy as my personal career choice. I recognize the social need for high quality, cost effective health care and I am committed to adding my talents to those of other health professionals responding to that need.

I recognize that physical therapy is a profession and that a profession is more than a job or a career. It requires a life-long commitment to new learning, to new ideas from research, and to professional action.

I promise myself to always make the concerns of the patient my first and most important consideration. I will evaluate each situation or action based on its potential impact on the individual, family, or community receiving my service.

I promise to always put forth my best effort, to work independently and inquisitively, to recognize my weaknesses, and to ask for assistance when needed.

I promise to behave with maturity, and professionalism even in the most difficult and personally challenging situations.

I promise to demonstrate respect for all individuals regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, gender, age, income, disability, or any other distinguishing characteristic.

I recognize that physical therapy does not exist in a vacuum and that it is my responsibility as a professional to be active in the community, in the legislative process, and in my professional association.

I understand that a balanced life is critical to maintaining my ability to respond to professional demands. I am committed to taking care of my own health, both physical and emotional, seeking support and advice as needed.

I accept the challenge inherent in choosing physical therapy as my profession and will do my best to fulfill the commitment I have made...in the classroom, in clinical settings, in research, and in all my professional activities.

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