

Karen D. Fennell, MS, LAT, ATC
Short Biography

I came to the St. Louis area in 1993 after completing my master's degree at Illinois State University. From 1993-2000, I served as the Assistant Athletic Trainer at Saint Louis University and moved on to Webster University where I served as the Head Athletic Trainer from 2000 to 2003. In 2003, I became a physician extender, working first for Joseph R. Ritchie, MD at Orthopedic Specialists from 2003 to 2008 and presently with Lyndon B. Gross, MD at The Orthopedic Center of St. Louis.

Since arriving in Missouri, I have been actively involved in MoATA serving on various committees and task forces. Currently, I serve as the CEPAT State Representative. My former appointments include the Student Athletic Trainer Writing Contest; College / University Student Athletic Trainer Committee, Reimbursement Task Force, Annual Meeting Site Selection Task Force, 2009 Annual Meeting Committee Chair, Honors and Awards Committee and Region 3 Advisory Board Representative. In addition to MoATA, I am a founding member and current President of the St. Louis Athletic Trainers' Association.

Outside of athletic training, I enjoy many activities including traveling, hiking, kayaking, and spending time with my family. I am the proud mother of three "children" Rudi and Riley, my 11 year old shih tzus, and Spike, my four year old chihuahua.