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I am both a medical practitioner and a patient. There is no reason to disqualify physical therapists from practicing dry needling. They are not people off the street, they are highly educated medical practitioners, often now with doctorate degrees in medicine and science. There is no reason that any other profession should be able to gate-keep a modality rooted not in East Asian medicine, but a Western medicine modality born entirely from western practice of addressing trigger points. The MORE access the public has to greater range of therapies and practitioners who are highly qualified, the BETTER. for everyone.