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Here's a more polished and engaging version of your statement that keeps your authentic voice while sharpening the flow and tone:

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A physical therapist performing dry needling on me made more progress in my Achilles injury recovery than anything else we had tried in months. I'm incredibly grateful she was able to offer that treatment as it made a huge difference.

Looking back, I also would have greatly benefited from working with a physical therapist who could order imaging, write the letter needed for a disabled placard (which I've had twice for injuries), or prescribe medical equipment like crutches. When I'm injured, my physical therapist is usually the first and most consistent provider I see for months; long before I ever see another medical professional. They're the ones who really get to know my body, track my progress, and understand what's needed.

They're often far more qualified to make those calls than a provider who's just reading my chart for the first time. Allowing PTs to handle those responsibilities would have saved me so much time, money, and stress; especially when managing injuries that are already physically and emotionally draining.