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Physical therapist are an integral part of the healthcare system filling in the gap between patients and primary care physicians at times and allowing them access to order diagnostic testing, durable medical equipment and performing treatment techniques including trigger point dry needling all benefit patient care. Physical therapist are highly trained in the soft tissue and musculoskeletal systems, along with the neural system within their doctoral programs and receive additional training in order to safely and effectively utilize trigger point dry needling as a treatment. MDs and chiropractors are able to utilize this technique, which is not exclusive to acupuncturists. Physical Therapist should be allowed the privilege to help provide this therapy technique for their clients.