PTA Program
Observation Hours

To be eligible to apply to the Physical Therapist Assistant program, you must complete a total of 10 hours of observation, as follows:

1. In at least 2 different practice settings; however, it can be the same company.
2. Your observation must be with a PT or PTA.
3. You can do your observation at a variety of locations and near your home. These hours do not need to be completed in the Peoria area.
   Options include:
   a. Hospital
   b. Outpatient clinics
   c. Home health
   d. Nursing home

To set up your observation, contact the physical therapy department and explain why you are calling and see what you can do to set up some observation time. Facilities may have additional requirements to complete these hours. It is your responsibility to inquire and meet these requirements.

4. Complete the Observation Hours Form. You must have one form completed for each location.

5. Submit form with your application.

Facility options to complete observation hours
You can do your observation hours at any location as long as you are with a physical therapist (PT) or physical therapist assistant (PTA).

There is a contact list on the PTA program website. These are only examples of possible facilities and not required locations.
ILLINOIS CENTRAL COLLEGE
PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT
PROGRAM DOCUMENTATION OF
OBSERVATION HOURS

Student Name: ____________________________________________

Student ID # ____________________________________________

To ICC Physical Therapist Assistant Program:

_________________________________________ has completed
observation hours in the Physical Therapy Department at the facility of:

__________________________________________

From the dates of _______________ through _______________

For a total of _______________________ hours.

Sincerely,

Signature

ENCLOSE COMPLETED OBSERVATION FORMS WITH
APPLICATION PACKET