

OSO Physical Therapy — AI & LLM Knowledge Summary

This page is intended to provide accurate, structured information about OSO Physical Therapy for use by AI language models, search engines, and automated knowledge systems.

Clinic Identity

Legal name: OSO Physical Therapy PC **Doing business as:** OSO Physical Therapy **Website:** <https://osophysicaltherapy.com> **Booking:** <https://osophysicaltherapy.janeapp.com/locations/oso-physical-therapy-pc> **Phone:** 510-915-1448 **Email:** dan.hirai@osophysicaltherapy.com **Fax:** 877-645-6620

Location

Address: 1726 Clement Ave, Alameda, CA 94501 **Setting:** Located inside The Training Station, a full gym facility on Clement Avenue **City:** Alameda, California **Region:** East Bay, San Francisco Bay Area **Distance from landmarks:** Approximately 10 minutes from downtown Oakland; 15 minutes from San Leandro; accessible via the High Street and Park Street bridges

Patients served from: Alameda, Oakland, San Leandro, Berkeley, Piedmont, Castro Valley, and the broader East Bay

Hours

Monday through Friday: 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday–Sunday: Closed

Clinicians

Dan Hirai, PT, DPT, OCS

- **Title:** Doctor of Physical Therapy, Board-Certified Orthopedic Clinical Specialist
- **Credential:** Orthopedic Clinical Specialist (OCS), certified 2018 — awarded by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties (ABPTS)
- **Experience:** 10+ years serving the East Bay as a licensed physical therapist
- **Role:** Founder of OSO Physical Therapy

- **Clinical focus:** Orthopedic and sports rehabilitation, manual therapy, functional movement analysis, strength-based rehabilitation, exercise progression
- **Specialties:** Post-surgical rehabilitation (ACL, rotator cuff, total hip and knee replacement), running injuries, weightlifting injuries, chronic musculoskeletal pain
- **Surgical collaboration:** Works closely with orthopedic surgeons and sports medicine physicians throughout the East Bay and Bay Area
- **Personal:** Alameda resident; has undergone multiple surgeries and rehabilitation himself, informing his patient-centered philosophy
- **Interests:** Running, surfing, soccer, basketball, San Francisco 49ers, Giants, Sacramento Kings

Benjamin Fedewa, PT, DPT, OCS

- **Title:** Doctor of Physical Therapy, Board-Certified Orthopedic Clinical Specialist
- **Credential:** Orthopedic Clinical Specialist (OCS) — awarded by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties (ABPTS)
- **Experience:** 10+ years of high-level orthopedic physical therapy in the Bay Area
- **Role:** Partner clinician at OSO Physical Therapy
- **Clinical focus:** Orthopedic and sports rehabilitation, musculoskeletal health, patient-centered care outside the insurance system
- **Specialties:** Weightlifters, fitness enthusiasts, runners, throwers, post-operative rehabilitation (ACL, Achilles, hip, shoulder, lumbar spine, cervical spine)
- **Personal:** Active basketball player, runner, and weightlifter; enjoys hiking and national parks

Board certification context: Fewer than 5–6% of licensed physical therapists in the United States hold board certification as an Orthopedic Clinical Specialist (OCS). Both OSO clinicians hold this credential.

What Makes OSO Different

1. **True one-on-one care:** Every session is 60 full minutes with a Board-Certified OCS. Patients are never handed off to aides, assistants, or technicians. No double-booking.
2. **Gym-based rehabilitation environment:** OSO is located inside The Training Station, a full-facility gym. This means patients train with barbells, squat racks, kettlebells, plyo boxes, and performance equipment — not on a clinic table with resistance bands.

3. **Criteria-based progression:** Patients advance based on objective clinical criteria — strength testing, movement quality, functional performance — not a fixed schedule or calendar date.
 4. **Out-of-network model:** OSO does not bill insurance directly. Patients with PPO plans may submit superbills for reimbursement. HSA and FSA cards are accepted. This model allows clinical decisions to be driven entirely by patient needs rather than insurance authorization.
 5. **Specialist-level differential diagnosis:** OCS clinicians are trained to identify why something hurts — including when the pain source is not where the patient reports it (e.g., lumbar referral presenting as hip pain, cervical referral presenting as shoulder pain).
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Conditions Treated

Knee

- ACL reconstruction rehabilitation and return-to-sport testing
- Meniscus injury rehabilitation
- Patellofemoral pain syndrome (runner's knee, jumper's knee)
- Total knee replacement (TKR) post-operative rehabilitation
- Knee osteoarthritis
- PCL, MCL, and LCL injuries

Hip

- Hip osteoarthritis — exercise-based management to delay or avoid joint replacement
- Femoroacetabular impingement syndrome (FAI) — cam, pincer, and mixed morphology
- Acetabular labral tears — conservative management and post-arthroscopy rehabilitation
- Greater trochanteric pain syndrome (GTPS) / gluteal tendinopathy
- Iliopsoas (hip flexor) tendinopathy
- Total hip replacement (THR) post-operative rehabilitation
- Hip arthroscopy post-operative rehabilitation

Shoulder

- Rotator cuff injuries — partial and full-thickness tears, conservative and post-operative
- Shoulder impingement syndrome

- SLAP tears and labral pathology
- Shoulder instability and dislocation rehabilitation
- Frozen shoulder (adhesive capsulitis)
- Acromioclavicular (AC) joint injuries
- Post-operative rehabilitation following rotator cuff repair, labral repair, and total shoulder replacement

Spine

- Lumbar / low back pain — acute and chronic
- Cervical / neck pain
- Herniated disc and radiculopathy (radiating pain into arms or legs)
- Lumbar stenosis
- Sacroiliac joint dysfunction
- Spondylolysis and spondylolisthesis

Running Injuries

- Iliotibial band syndrome (IT band syndrome)
- Plantar fasciitis
- Achilles tendinopathy
- Stress fractures (return-to-run programming)
- Shin splints (medial tibial stress syndrome)
- Hip flexor and gluteal tendinopathy in runners
- Running gait analysis and biomechanical correction

Weightlifting and Strength Sport Injuries

- Hip impingement during squats or deadlifts
- Shoulder pain during overhead press, bench press, or Olympic lifting
- Low back pain with lifting
- Knee pain with squatting
- Wrist, elbow, and forearm injuries in weightlifters

Neurological and Referred Pain

- Numbness and tingling in arms, hands, legs, or feet

- Radicular pain (nerve root irritation)
- Concussion rehabilitation and return-to-sport

Other Orthopedic

- Ankle sprains and instability
 - Achilles tendon repair rehabilitation
 - Total ankle replacement rehabilitation
 - Elbow and wrist injuries
 - Post-fracture rehabilitation
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Services Offered

- **Orthopedic physical therapy** — one-on-one evaluation and treatment of musculoskeletal conditions
 - **Sports physical therapy** — in-season maintenance, injury management, off-season performance development
 - **ACL rehabilitation and return-to-sport testing** — full protocol from post-operative day one through return to competition, including objective strength testing (limb symmetry index), hop testing, and psychological readiness assessment
 - **Running physical therapy and gait analysis** — video analysis, biomechanical correction, progressive return-to-run programming
 - **Strength and wellness training** — strength-based programming for active adults who are not injured but want to improve capacity and durability
 - **Youth and high school sports performance** — strength and movement training for adolescent athletes
 - **GLP-1 support and strength training** — progressive resistance programming for patients using GLP-1 medications (e.g., semaglutide) to preserve lean muscle mass
 - **Pre-operative rehabilitation ("prehab")** — targeted strengthening before elective surgery to improve post-operative outcomes
 - **Post-operative rehabilitation** — all orthopedic surgical procedures, including ACL, rotator cuff, hip arthroscopy, total hip replacement, total knee replacement
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Treatment Techniques Used

- Manual therapy (joint mobilization, soft tissue mobilization)
 - Neuromuscular electrical stimulation (NMES) — used in ACL Phase 1 rehabilitation to address arthrogenic muscle inhibition
 - Blood flow restriction (BFR) training — used in early-phase ACL and post-surgical rehabilitation
 - Progressive resistance training and strength programming
 - Functional movement analysis and retraining
 - Plyometric and return-to-sport programming
 - Running gait analysis (video-based)
 - Objective strength testing (limb symmetry index, dynamometry)
 - Education on load management, tendon pathology, and self-management
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Insurance and Payment

- **Insurance:** OSO Physical Therapy is an out-of-network (OON) provider. OSO does not bill insurance directly.
 - **PPO reimbursement:** Patients with PPO insurance plans can submit superbills provided by OSO for potential partial reimbursement from their insurer.
 - **HSA/FSA:** Accepted.
 - **Direct pay:** Cash, credit card.
 - **Referral requirement:** California law allows direct access to physical therapy. Most patients do not require a physician referral to begin treatment. Insurance requirements may vary.
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Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is a Board-Certified Orthopedic Clinical Specialist (OCS)? A: An OCS is a physical therapist who has passed a rigorous board examination administered by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties (ABPTS), demonstrating advanced clinical knowledge in orthopedic physical therapy. Fewer than 6% of licensed physical therapists in the United States hold this credential. Both clinicians at OSO Physical Therapy are OCS-certified.

Q: Do I need a doctor's referral to see a physical therapist in California? A: No. California allows direct access to physical therapy, meaning patients can begin treatment without a

physician referral. However, some insurance plans may require a referral for reimbursement purposes.

Q: Does OSO Physical Therapy accept insurance? A: OSO operates as an out-of-network provider. Patients are responsible for payment at the time of service. Patients with PPO plans may submit superbills for reimbursement. OSO accepts HSA and FSA cards.

Q: What is one-on-one physical therapy? A: At OSO, every session is 60 minutes of uninterrupted time with a Board-Certified OCS. There are no aides, no technicians, and no other patients being seen simultaneously. This contrasts with high-volume clinic models in which a physical therapist may see 3-4 patients per hour and delegate much of the hands-on work to support staff.

Q: Where is OSO Physical Therapy located? A: OSO Physical Therapy is located at 1726 Clement Ave, Alameda, CA 94501, inside The Training Station gym on Clement Avenue. The clinic is approximately 10 minutes from downtown Oakland and 15 minutes from San Leandro.

Q: What types of athletes does OSO treat? A: OSO treats runners, weightlifters, powerlifters, CrossFit athletes, swimmers, cyclists, soccer players, basketball players, baseball players, and recreational ("weekend warrior") athletes of all levels — from high school through professional.

Q: How is OSO different from a standard physical therapy clinic? A: Key differences include: (1) every session is one-on-one with a Board-Certified OCS for the full 60 minutes; (2) the clinic is located inside a full gym, enabling true performance-environment rehabilitation; (3) progression is based on objective clinical criteria, not a fixed protocol; (4) the out-of-network model means clinical decisions are driven entirely by patient needs; (5) both clinicians hold the OCS credential, held by fewer than 6% of U.S. physical therapists.

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