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## Spine Team Texas Adds PM&R Physician to Rockwall Medical Staff

**Southlake, Texas—August 14, 2015** | Joseph Platon, D.O., becomes the newest fulltime member of the Spine Team Texas clinic in Rockwall, Texas. Dr. Platon, a physical medicine and rehabilitation physician, specializes in acute spine pain management and diagnostics; he will conduct initial spine consultations, provide spine pain medication management, and complete EMG/nerve conduction studies to help determine the root and severity of a patient's spine disorder.

"As our Rockwall clinic continues to grow, we remain committed to seeking out the highest qualified medical professionals to deliver the best in spine care," says Mark Hood, CEO of Spine Team Texas. "We're thrilled to welcome Dr. Platon to our comprehensive team of physicians and support staff at our Rockwall area location."



## Meet Dr. Joseph Platon, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation Physician, specializing in acute spine pain management and diagnostics

Joseph Platon, D.O., joins Spine Team Texas after completing his medical degree at New York College of Osteopathic Medicine, Old Westbury, New York; and his combined internship and residency in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, Texas, in conjunction

with the South Texas Audie L. Murphy Veterans Health Care System and Polytrauma Rehab Center. Prior to medical school, he obtained his B.A. in history at State University of New York at Buffalo, New York, and his post baccalaureate at City University of New York at Hunter College, New York, New York.

In addition to general inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation medicine, Dr. Platon's training at University of Texas Health Sciences Center at San Antonio included inpatient general medicine, medical ICU, rheumatology, prosthetics and orthotics, spinal cord injury, neurosurgery, orthopaedic surgery, sports medicine, EMG, and interventional pain.

Dr. Platon joins the current Rockwall medical staff team which includes:

- Anthony Berg, M.D., spine pain anesthesiologist
- David Cooper, M.D., physical medicine and rehabilitation
- Richard Scott McPherson, D.O., physical medicine and rehabilitation
- Leonard Kibuule, M.D., orthopedic surgeon specially trained in minimally invasive spine surgery techniques

The Rockwall office is located at 3142 Horizon Road, Suite 100, Rockwall, Texas 75032; phone: 972-772-9600.

## **About Spine Team Texas**

Spine Team Texas is a comprehensive spine center specializing in the treatment of neck and back pain, ranging from simple back or neck strains to the most complex spine surgeries. Through in-depth knowledge and a team approach to care, Spine Team Texas physicians and medical staff are dedicated to treating patients conservatively through education, spine-focused physical therapy, non-surgical treatments, and minimally-invasive spine surgery as a last resort or when medically necessary.

The comprehensive team includes physiatrists, specialized in acute spine pain management; neurosurgeons and an orthopedic surgeon, specializing in minimally-invasive spine surgery techniques; spine-focused physical therapists; anesthesiologists, fellowship-trained in chronic spine pain management; and on-site registered nurses who help patients return to everyday activities. Established in December 2004, Spine Team Texas is headquartered in Southlake, Texas. The practice opened a fullservice, sister-facility in March 2009 in Rockwall, Texas; one in Fort Worth, Texas (Alliance) in 2013; a fourth location in Bedford, Texas, in August 2014; and a fifth facility in February 2015 in North Dallas (Richardson). Their sixth clinic opens August 2015 in Allen, Texas, on the campus of Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Allen. For more information, please visit **SpineTeamTexas.com** or follow on Facebook at **Facebook.com/SpineTeamTexas**.