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Press Release

James Turk

The [Rocky Mountain Athletic Trainers Association \(RMATA\)](#) will award the RMATA Distinguished Educator Award to James Turk.

Fountain Hills, AZ April 13, 2019- The Rocky Mountain Athletic Trainers' Association (RMATA) will award the RMATA Distinguished Educator Award to James Turk.

Jim Turk is a Senior Lecturer and the Program Director for the CAATE Accredited Professional Athletic Training Program at the University of Northern Colorado. He received his Master of Science degree in Therapeutic Kinesiology from the University of Illinois in 2002 and received his Bachelor of Science degree in Exercise Physiology from The Ohio State University in 2000.

While at the University of Illinois, Jim was a clinically practicing Athletic Trainer with the football, baseball and women's soccer programs as well as serving as an instructor in their accredited Athletic Training program. He has been at the University of Northern Colorado since 2005 and has served in multiple roles during his 13+ years at UNC including time as an Athletic Trainer in the Department of Athletics as well as the Clinical Education Coordinator for the Athletic Training Program.

He is an active member of the National Athletic Trainers' Association, the Rocky Mountain Athletic Trainers' Association, and the Colorado Athletic Trainers' Association and has taken on various service roles with multiple professional and community organizations. Currently, Jim serves as the RMATA Secretary, a member of the NATA District Secretary & Treasurer's Committee and is a site visitor for the CAATE.

A native of Northeast, Ohio, he, his wife Lisa, and son Jon live in Windsor.

The Rocky Mountain Athletic Trainers' Association represents and supports members of the athletic training profession located in Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming. Visit www.rmata.org for more information. Please also visit www.atyourownrisk.org for information concerning athletic trainers and the services they provide.



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