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Chris is a Certified Orthopaedic Manual Therapist, a Board Certified Orthopaedic Clinical Specialist, a Fellow of the American Academy of Orthopedic Manual Physical Therapists (AAOMPT), and an Appointed Examiner and Member of the Governing Committee of the Board of Examiners for the AAOMPT since 2004. He is also the current Chairman of AAOMPT's Conference Committee. Mr. Showalter received his B.Sc. (With Honors) in Anatomy ('84) from Monash University, followed by a B. App. Sci. Physiotherapy ('88) from Lincoln Institute at LaTrobe University in Melbourne, Australia. Chris studied directly under Geoff Maitland, MAPS founder Dr. Bob Sprague, and has additional training in other approaches to manual therapy, including McKenzie, Mulligan and McConnell, among others. Chris served as AAOMPT's sole International Delegate to IFOMPT from 2000-2009, and earned AAOMPT's prestigious McMennell Service Award in 2009. *(To watch a video and/or read the text of his 2009 acceptance speech visit <http://www.ozpt.com/press-release-oct-2009.html>.)* Chris has over 25 years of clinical experience and is continually striving to improve and expand the profession of Physical Therapy, through his position as Clinical Director of Maitland Australian Physiotherapy Seminars (MAPS) and his contributions to numerous manual therapy research studies published in peer-reviewed journal articles. Mr. Showalter founded, owned and operated several private practices in New York, and today spends most of his time developing, managing and teaching the MAPS curriculum, and as the senior MAPS Certification Examiner. As a major contributor to Clinical Reasoning and the Maitland-Australian Approach, Chris Showalter demonstrates its relevance and use as a crucial tool in evidence-informed Manual Therapy, and in the effective management of patients with neuromusculoskeletal conditions.