

2025 ANNUAL REPORT



LOUISIANA
PHYSICAL THERAPY
BOARD



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Lafayette

Baton Rouge

Lake Charles

Abbeville

Crowley

New Iberia

Franklinton

Morgan City

Houma

Donaldsonville

Plaquemine

Opelousas

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Woodville

Marksville

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Leesville

Oakdale

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About the Board

Purpose

We regulate the practice of physical therapy in Louisiana by only licensing individuals who minimally qualify to practice physical therapy and responding to complaints regarding the conduct of the individuals who hold a privilege to practice or are licensed by our board. We do this for the citizens of Louisiana, so that recipients of physical therapy care have the opportunity to improve their health in a safe environment.

Financials

The Board operates on self-generated funds and financials are reported on a fiscal year: July 1st, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

	Actual	Budgeted
Income	\$1,182,683.65	\$1,218,539.00
Expenses	\$1,077,545.91	\$1,195,869.48
Net Ordinary Income	\$105,137.74	\$22,669.52
Other Income	\$73,547.18	\$55,000.00
Other Expense	\$248,006.86	\$300,000.00
Net Other Income	-\$174,459.68	-\$245,000.00
Net Income	-\$69,321.94	-\$222,330.48

Staff Members

Charlotte Martin, MPA - Executive Director
Jessica Alwell, MHR - Assistant Executive Director
Danielle Linzer - Licensing Analyst
Stephanie Boudreaux - Compliance Officer
Anne Nims - Administrative Assistant

Board Members & Locations

The Board is comprised of eight members who are all appointed by the Governor of the state of Louisiana for a three-year term. Each appointment by the Governor is submitted to the Senate for confirmation. (La. R.S. 37:2403.F).

Members serving as of December 31, 2025:

Lucien “Danny” Lewy, PT - Chairman

At-Large | Baton Rouge | 1st Term | 6/7/2024 - 6/6/2027

Oday Lavergne, PT - Sec/Treasurer

APTA-LA Nominee | Alexandria | 2nd Term | 7/17/2020 - 7/16/2026

Adam York, PTA

At-Large | Lafayette | 1st Term | 6/7/2024 - 6/6/2027

Lee Rielly, PT

LHA Nominee | Shreveport | 1st Term | 3/22/2024 - 3/21/2027

Matthew Williams, MD

LSMS | Lafayette | 1st Term | 8/2/2024 - 08/1/2027

Claude Tremblay, PT

At-Large | Lafayette | 1st Term | 10/11/2024 - 10/10/2027

Benjamin Gaines, JD

Consumer | Lafayette | 1st Term | 10/3/2025 - 10/2/2028

Michael Hildebrand, PT

APTA-LA Nominee | Monroe | 1st Term | 10/3/2025 - 10/2/2028

Board service ended prior to December 31, 2025:

Deandra Johnson-Narcisse M. Ed (Resigned)

Consumer | Lafayette | 1st Term | 11/11/2022 - 3/21/2025

Phil Page, PT (Replaced on 10/03/2025)

At-Large | Baton Rouge | 2nd Term | 9/18/2018 - 9/17/2024
Continued to serve until replacement appointed on 10/03/2025.

Advisory Committee

The Board may appoint an Advisory Committee not to exceed nine members to assist in the review of applicants' qualifications for licensure, conduct applicant interviews, review continuing education activities and courses, and other duties deemed necessary by the Board (Rule §109.B).

Christopher Franks, PT - Lake Charles

Jeremy Dye, PT - Shreveport

Marie Vazquez Morgan, PT - Shreveport

Merritt Hebert, PTA - Lafayette

Michael Hildebrand, PT - Monroe (until 10/3/2025)

Michael Laudadio, PT - Boerne, TX

Naikia Woodrich, PT - New Orleans

John Rocco DeLara, PT - Houma



Recommendations

R.S. La 37:2405A(9)a.: Reporting annually to the governor and to the presiding officer of each house of the legislature on the condition of the practice of physical therapy in the state, making recommendations for improvement of the practice of physical therapy or the operation of the Board, and submitting a record of the proceedings of the Board during the year, together with the names of all physical therapists and physical therapist assistants to whom the Board issued licenses during the year.

In 2025, the Practice Act Committee of the Board completed an extensive review of the rules. At the December 3, 2025 Board meeting, a full recommendation for revisions to the Board rules was presented. The document was also made available to the public on the Board website prior to the meeting and emailed to all licensees as well in order to receive feedback. The Board then referred the recommendations for the rule revisions to legal counsel for further review.

Once the Board reviews the final recommendations and makes a determination on each Rule identified, the plan of action is to hold a public hearing, which will be noticed in the State Register. Following the public hearing, the Board plans to submit the proposed Rule changes to the Louisiana Department of Justice through their Occupational Licensing Review Program (OLRP) for review prior to publishing a Rule change request in the State Register.

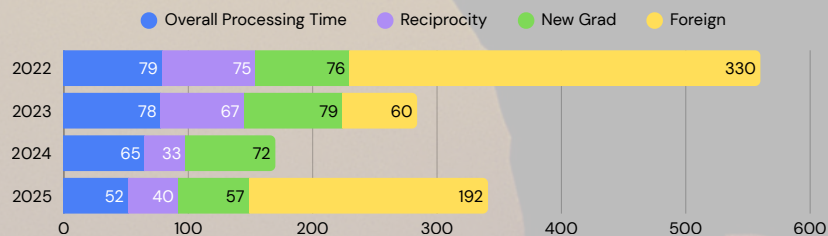
In addition to updating the rules, the Board also recommends that consideration be given to update the Board's ability in statute to request background checks on all licensees. Currently, the statute only allows the Board to request a background check on applicants for initial licensure. This leaves a gap in public protection as the Board's enrollment in the state rapback program only began in 2016. Not only does this mean that those who were licensed in Louisiana by our Board prior to 2016 did not receive a fingerprint criminal background check, but we are also not notified if these individuals are fingerprinted due to violations of law, which make them a risk to the public. The Board's only means for receiving information related to criminal activity of these individuals is for them to self-report. In recent years, we have received information related to concerning felony arrests of individuals who did not self-report to our Board and who we otherwise would have received a report on them sooner.

Past Recommendations Update: Licensure

Background Check Process Updates

In 2024, The Board invested in its website to update its online application processes to allow applicants to upload some files directly to the applicant's account rather than having to mail physical copies. In addition, the Board received notice from State Police in March 2024 that a new background check process would be enabled, removing the need for either traditional fingerprint cards from which it could take 6-8 weeks to receive the results or applicants having to travel to the State Police Headquarters in Baton Rouge for which the results were received within 3-4 weeks. The new process enabled applicants to visit designated digital fingerprinting locations closer to their homes. The new process also ensured the Board office receives results within 5-7 business days on average, further shortening the timeframe.

As a result of these improvements, the Board office noted that the average number of days from the time an application was submitted to approval decreased by 27 days since 2022. The time that it takes from the application being completed by the applicant, including all required components, to the license being issued is less than 7 business days. The chart below illustrates the total overall averages as well as a breakdown by application type. It should be noted that for new graduates, many applicants begin their applications prior to their actual graduation date which extends their average number of days. For foreign-trained applicants, the averages are often also longer due to the need to complete a credentialing evaluation to prove academic equivalency of education and training, as well as the need to obtain proper citizenship documents in order to legally work in the U.S.



Welcome Home Act

The Board received one application for licensure through the Welcome Home Act in 2025. The applicant had been unable to pass their National Physical Therapy Examination for physical therapist in Louisiana and then went to Texas and qualified to take the National Physical Therapy Examination for physical therapist assistants. Louisiana does not currently allow for individuals educated as physical therapists to obtain a license as a physical therapist assistant (La R.S. 37:§2411(4)). The Welcome Home Act provides a pathway for individuals licensed in other states to obtain licensure in Louisiana, including as a physical therapist assistant, through reciprocity. Under this law, individuals who hold a current and valid license in another state and have established residency in Louisiana, with at least one year of licensure in another state, may qualify for a Louisiana license with a similar scope of practice. The Act includes specific disqualifying criteria, including certain criminal history, prior disciplinary action, or pending investigations, which are evaluated as part of the application process. This provision has expanded licensure opportunities for qualified applicants while maintaining regulatory safeguards designed to protect the public. Additional details are outlined in Louisiana Revised Statutes Title 37 §§51-59.

Accomplishment Roundup

Statewide Physical Therapy Regulatory Conference: The Extra Mile

The Louisiana Physical Therapy Board held its first ever Extra Mile Conference, an educational opportunity for PTs and PTAs throughout the state to deepen their understanding of the regulations that govern the physical therapy practice in Louisiana.

The Board tapped subject matter experts from across North America to give licensees the chance to obtain continuing education credit while gaining clarity on the complex regulations within the healthcare system that impact their work. Additionally, the conference offered a platform for decision-makers to gain valuable insights from physical therapy professionals, providing a "boots on the ground" perspective on the practical application of these regulations.

The conference was held from January 31 - February 1, 2025. Between both days, over 230 PTs, PTAs, and physical therapy students arrived to the DoubleTree Hotel in Lafayette where the Board office is domiciled to partake in the unique sessions offered by the conference. The Board utilized fees paid by course sponsors for continuing education course reviews to invest in the conference and make attendance free for licensees who were in turn able to get continuing education credit toward their biennial license renewal by attending.

Regional Conference

In 2025 the Board began laying the groundwork for a regional physical therapy regulatory conference. The purpose of this conference is to address the issues unique to the chronically underserved delta region and provide licensees with an opportunity to brainstorm creative solutions for patient access to care, workforce shortages, and other improvements to public protection in the region. The Executive Director began preliminary conversations with the regulatory boards in Arkansas and Mississippi, as well as the APTA-LA chapter to consider reaching out to the professional association chapters of the other states to participate, as well. The Arkansas and Mississippi boards are interested in partnering with the Board on this conference. Discussions will continue in 2026.

Workforce Data Collection Efforts

The Board continues to collect physical therapy workforce data through the Minimum Data Set (MDS) survey, which is a requirement for applying for licensure and renewing licenses in Louisiana. In 2025, the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact began collecting MDS data and can provide reports to Louisiana as it relates to the workforce of Compact Privilege holders in Louisiana.

The Board recognized that, although the MDS captures valuable workforce data, it does not capture information related to individuals entering the workforce for the first time. In the 2024, the Board launched the Graduating Student Workforce Survey with the aim to better understand the rising workforce of new graduates of Louisiana-based physical therapy programs. In 2025, the Board continued the survey with the next class of graduating students.

The results of the 2024 and 2025 new graduate surveys provide insights as to where the survey takers plan to work post-graduation and what factors contributed to them not selecting Louisiana if they chose to leave the state. The survey also provided insight into their practice setting and specialty preferences, salary expectations, and student loan debt accumulation. In a free text box, new graduates were able to express their concerns about entering the profession. Many indicated concerns regarding student loan debt to income ratio, starting salary, professional burnout, and insurance reimbursement rates.

AI in Physical Therapy

With the growing rise of AI tools in all aspects of life, the Board proactively addressed the ethical use, legal risks, and patient trust concerns in the form of a research news article published on the Board website. The Board also worked with Dr. Gabriela Wilson, leading global expert at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, to develop an easy-to-implement checklist for clinic owners to follow prior to purchasing AI software to equip them with questions to ask AI vendors that will gain access to protected health information.

Adoption of Healthy Practice Resource

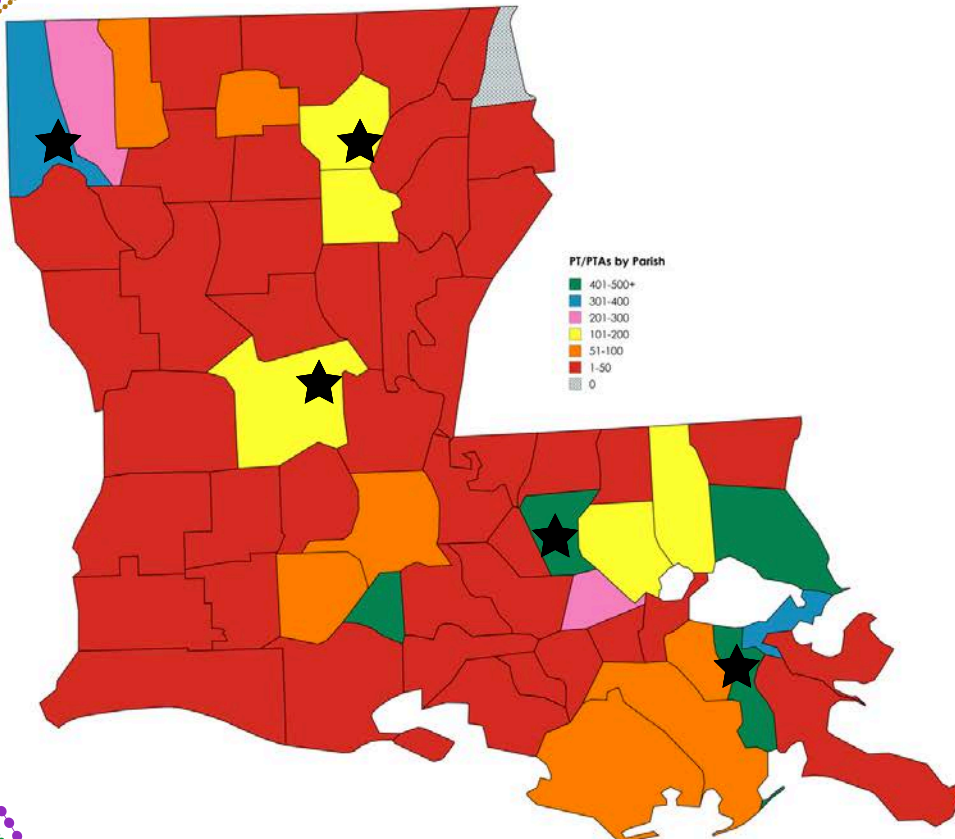
The Board approved allowing licensees to earn up to five free CE credit hours by completing a newly developed self-assessment that provides information to providers about risks that they may have based on their overall wellbeing. The Health Practice Resource tool was developed in partnership with the Healthcare Regulatory Research Institute and the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) as a self-assessment tool to identify personal deficiencies that may affect their ability to safely practice physical therapy with the public. The resource can be reviewed here: <https://www.hrri.org/research/healthypractice-selfassessment>.

ADA Website Upgrades

In 2025, the Board began work with its website vendor, Covalent Logic, to upgrade the public-facing website in order to comply with federal ADA requirements. As of December 31, 2025, the Board is on schedule to implement those upgrades by the federally required deadline of April 26, 2026.

Louisiana Licensees by Parish

The map shows the density of physical therapists and physical therapist assistants by parish based upon their reported home address. The stars indicate the location of PT/PTA programs in the state.



Timeline for Approval

Within 7 business days of a receipt of a complete application

PT & PTA Academic Programs

Bossier Parish Community College | Bossier City | PTA Program
Delgado Community College | New Orleans | PTA Program
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University | Baton Rouge | PTA Program
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Louisiana Christian University | Pineville | PTA Program
LSU Health Science Center | Shreveport | PT Program
LSU Health Science Center | New Orleans | PT Program
University of Louisiana at Monroe | Monroe | PT Program

Practitioners in Louisiana

Active Licenses

As of December 31, 2025, 3911 PTs and 1780 PTAs were licensed in Louisiana for a total of 5691 licensees.

License Renewals

The key objective in licensing is to only license individuals who are qualified to practice physical therapy, per statute and rule, while identifying and eliminating unnecessary barriers to entry for qualified individuals. The key activities performed include receiving information for initial license, reinstatement, and renewal applications. For all applicants initially applying for a license in Louisiana, an FBI background check is performed. The Board maintains a database of licensees and displays license information on a website for public access. Licensees renew on a 2 year cycle with even birth years renewing in even years and odd birth years in odd years.

2025 Actual PT 2025 Actual PTA
1825 855

Total Renewals: 2680 | Total Non-Renewals: 175

2025 Compact Privileges

In 2018, the PT Licensure Compact was established through the legislature to improve portability in the physical therapy profession. On July 22, 2019, Louisiana became an active member state issuing privileges to individuals who wish to practice in Louisiana through a Compact Privilege, rather than obtaining a license. Below is a chart to show how many Compact privileges were purchased in 2025.

Compact Privileges

Initial PT	Initial PTA
128	32
Renewal PT	Renewal PTA
67	20

Total 247



# by Parish	Licenses Issued	Licenses Renewed	Parish	Licenses Issued	Licenses Renewed
Out of State	67	140	Madison	0	3
Acadia	2	20	Morehouse	0	4
Allen	0	2	Natchitoches	1	10
Ascension	9	113	Orleans	15	174
Assumption	2	4	Ouachita	11	85
Avoyelles	1	14	Plaquemines	2	8
Beauregard	2	15	Pointe Coupe	1	3
Bienville	0	6	Rapides	4	89
Bossier	10	121	Red River	0	4
Caddo	12	162	Richland	1	5
Calcasieu	8	93	Sabine	1	8
Caldwell	0	2	St. Bernard	1	15
Cameron	0	0	St. Charles	5	25
Catahoula	2	2	St. Helena	0	0
Claiborne	0	4	St. James	0	8
Concordia	3	5	St. John the Baptist	1	11
De Soto	1	16	St. Landry	2	27
East Baton Rouge	25	238	St. Martin	1	13
East Carroll	0	0	St. Mary	2	4
East Feliciana	1	10	St. Tammany	16	262
Evangeline	1	15	Tangipahoa	4	76
Franklin	1	4	Tensas	0	0
Grant	1	8	Terrebonne	6	37
Iberia	2	18	Union	3	18
Iberville	1	12	Vermillion	3	24
Jackson	0	3	Vernon	3	10
Jefferson	32	302	Washington	1	15
Jefferson Davis	5	10	Webster	5	25
La Salle	0	9	West Baton Rouge	3	16
Lafayette	15	205	West Carroll	1	5
LaFourche	7	34	West Feliciana	0	4
Lincoln	0	44	Winn	0	2
Livingston	4	59	TOTAL	307	2680



UNION JUSTICE CONFIDENCE

Physical Therapists Issued a License during 2025

Addison, Trisha	Fenimore, Heather	Machen, Sydney	Schouest, Elizabeth
Alexander, Ann	Ferraren, Kyla	Mandelkow, Lauren	Schwimmer, Brigitte
Allison, Briona	Fleming, Jonathan	Marcinkus, Tyler	Sciortino, Christina
Almubiadin, Mohamed	Flory, Tanner	Marcus, Margaret	Sedberry, Zoie
Alphonso, Evan	Fowler, Carolyn	Marshall, Mary	Seneca, Robbi
Amiss, Lauren	Franklin, Cali	Marx, Ryan	Sensley, Camryn
Amos, Emily	Gallagher, Patrick	Matherne, Michaela	Serret, Brianna
Ballard, Cullen	Galloway, Jo	Mathews, Cameron	Servat, Jordan
Bell, Destiny	Galvin, Bailey	McCandlish, William	Shea, Dana
Bellelo, Katelyn	Gant, Candice	McCue, Lauryn	Sibille, Ross
Bereciartua, Nicolas	Gerrets, Amanda	McInnis, Michaela	Simmons, Joshua
Bergeron, Aaron	Gibson, Kentron	McKenzie, Annaleise	Small, Kayla
Bernard, Dustin	Gilbert, Keena	McRae, Benjamin	Smith, Candace
Bierman, Casey	Giordano, Kevin	Meehan, Patrick	Sonnier, Lindsay
Birely, Kyle	Glahn, Jordan	Melanson, Hayden	Spizale, Loren
Blackman, Caroline	Goff, Lauryn	Mire, Callie	Suarez, Daniel
Bolds, Oshea	Gomez, Dom Ernest	Monson, Caroline	Swider, Olivia
Bonvillain, Peyton	Goodwin, Virginia	Mooney, April	Sylvester, Ryann
Book, William	Gray, Daniel	Moore, Elika	Tanner, Lexis
Bornholtz, Zachary	Gremillion, Ryan	Morales, Ana-Maria	Taylor, Kennedy
Boudreau, Allison	Gueniot, Kevin	Morgan, Tori	Terral, Mary
Boudreaux, Renee	Guidry, William	Murphy, Conner	Terrell, Scott
Boullion, Seth	Guilbeau, Abigail	Navarro, Madalyn	Torres, Abbie
Bourg, Elizabeth	Guluz, Justin	Necaise, Holly	Trahan, Abby
Bourgeois, Ian	Hamed, Islam	Nguyen, Kim Phuong	Tran, Brandon
Breaux, Logan	Hartline, Noah	Nguyen, Maitram	Trinh-Ta, Hue
Bridges, Caroline	Haskins, Halee	Nguyen, Sabrina	Valdespino, Domenico
Brown, Adrienne	Hatch, Lucas	O'Dea, Allison	Velez, Nathan
Brown, Jay	Hattier, Elizabeth	Osburn, Maddie	Vicknair, Hannah
Butler, Hannah	Hauth, Ethan	Padgett, Nicholas	Volpe, Maria
Butler, Raylee	Haynes, Madison	Patel, Forum	Walden, Franklin
Cade, Madison	Hebert, Madison	Peck, Tia	Wallace, Bryce
Calhoun, Ella	Henning, Daniel	Peery, Tori Anne	Weaver, Zina
Callaham, Jasmine	Henssler, Hallie	Pemberton, Sarah	Whitenack, Anneska
Chiasson, Laurel	Hijazi, Rena	Pennebaker, Joshua	Williams, Jessica
Christy, Amelia	Hilliard, Sarah	Perez, Gabrielle	Wilson, Alexandra
Chutkan, Bryan	Holle, Garrett	Peterson, Elizabeth	Wright, Gunner
Clemens, Thomas	Hopkins, Anna	Pharris, Caitlyn	Wronkoski, Steven
Clement, Carlie	Ingerson, Evan	Pipes, Elizabeth	Zatorski, John
Compton, Mallory	Jackson, Christopher	Poole, Emily	Zeigler, Leighton
Connors, Cassie	Johnson, Luke	Poudrier, Laura	Zeringue, Alyssa
Coons, Amber	Jones, Abby	Price, Payton	
Coumier, Amber	King, Joshua	Pryor, Ian	
Couget, Evan	Kleinpeter, Kalyn	Rabalais, Camryn	
Creel, Addison	Knapp, Abigail	Rae, Mallory	
Cronje, Petrus	Knotts, Bethany	Rains, Emily	
Darnell, Meredith	Kong, Rachel	Rapp-Dimino, Adam	
Dartez, Sidney	Kramel, Stori	Rice, Madeline	
David, Matthew	Kramer, Kelly	Richard, Brandon	
Deshotels, Gabrielle	LaBlue, Lauren	Richard, Zachary	
DeVries, Kelsea	Lafleur, Abigail	Richardson, Charles	
Dewil, Brianna	Lair, Savannah	Richardson, Paris	
Dexter, Sebastian	Lamkin, Jacob	Robertson, Hannah	
Diez, Cameron	Landry, Elise	Robinson, Kezia	
Donovan, Danielle	Leader, Zachary	Robison, Ashtin	
Doskey, Lillian	LeBlanc, Aaron	Roe, Mitchell	
Dufour, Sam	LeBlanc, Andrew	Roeh, Joy	
Dufrene, Jennifer	LeBoeuf, Erica	Roka, Heather	
Dugas, Caleb	Ledet, Amanda	Rousseau, Daryl	
Duhon, Lorissa	LeJeune, Luke	Ryder, Sarah	
Duncan, Chadd	Levie, Heather	Sahuc, Peter	
Dunn, Tanner	Liniado, Millie	Sanderlin, Marshall	
Duplechain, Zoe	Lobue, Taylor	Santa Cruz, Evelyn	
Edo, Jodi	Long, Katherine	Savoie, Julia	
Ernst, Nicholas	Lopez, David	Schien, Joshua	

Physical Therapists Assistants Issued a License by the Board during 2025

Adcock, Madelyn	Manning, Kyla
Albaral, Kyle	McBride, Amanda
Aucoin, Laine	McClure, Connor
Ayres, Carissa	Minor, Courtney
Bee, Kaylie	Montes, Joshua
Beller, Rachael	Nguyen, Phuong
Benton, Brett	Oprea, Sofia
Berry, Christopher	Patterson, Matilyn
Bible, William	Quintero, Sarah
Blanchard, Lexie	Rickert, Taylor
Brewer, Ashley	Robinson, Bryce
Brown, Charles	Rogers, Taykeetria
Bullard, Jacqueline	Rougeau, Tanner
Burgess, Tori	Smalley, Emily
Calhoun, Lilyane	Smith, Madison
Cardona, Michael	Soileau, Mallary
Carothers, Courtney	Spires, Ryan
Carson, Anthony	Stone, Michael
Chavez, Osman	Teekell, Blake
Clary, Deseree	Tice, Heather
Connelly, Katie	Tillson, Hailey
Conner, Trevor	Touchet, Kaitlyn
Cook, Charles	Tran, Tinh
Daigle, Hailey	Villar, Sophia
Deslattes, Mackenzie	
Dorsey, Jada	
Dowden, Dalton	
Dubroc, Michaela	
Durapau, Rachael	
Encardes, Alexis	
Fertitta, Charity	
Floyd, Dean	
Fobb, Ryan	
Gaughan, Annie	
Guice, Tyler	
Hampton, Jaliah	
Haralson, Maria	
Hedges, Torrie	
Henry, Lorryiane	
Holomon, Kaytlen	
Horton, Kasadi	
Johnson, Nicole	
Jones, Ciarra	
Kirkland, Tanner	
LaBlue, Cassidy	
LaBradour, Lee	
Lawrence, Shelia	
Lovitt, Makayla	
Maggio, Katelyn	



Investigations and Enforcement

In 2025, a total of 111 cases were investigated, of which 41 were resolved during the year. As of December 31, 2025, 70 cases remained pending. However, 51 of these cases were associated with a single incident involving one individual. When considered in this context, the overall case resolution rate changes significantly. Excluding these related cases, 41 of 60 cases (approximately 68%) were resolved during the year, compared to 41 of 111 cases (37%) when these 51 complaint filings are included.

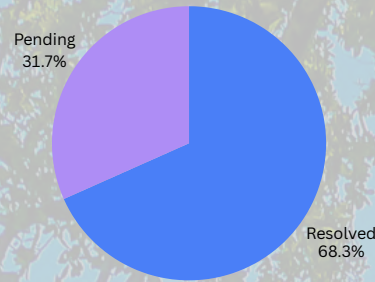
Among the 41 resolved cases during the year, the majority (33 cases, 80%) were closed with no action, while 8 cases (20%) resulted in disciplinary action.

Cases were resolved in an average of 109 days. However, cases resulting in disciplinary action required substantially more time, averaging 140 days to resolve, compared to 101 days for cases closed with no action. This difference reflects the additional complexity and procedural requirements often associated with disciplinary matters.

It is also important to note that some cases remain open beyond the investigative phase due to court-mandated pre-trial diversion programs. In these instances, cases are held open until individuals provide evidence of successful program completion, allowing for referral to a recovery monitoring program if necessary. As a result, these cases tend to have significantly longer resolution times. In 2025, cases involving pre-trial diversion (10 cases) averaged 187 days to resolve, compared to 87 days for cases without such requirements.

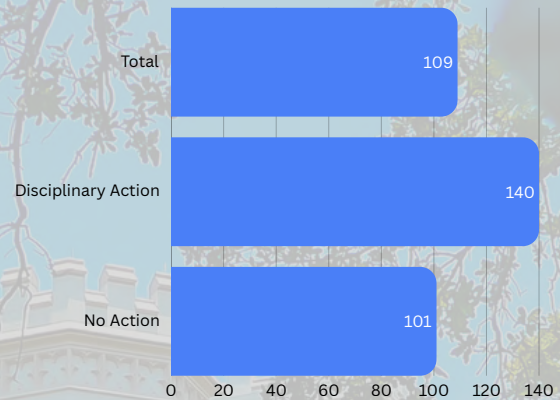
While most cases are resolved without action and within a shorter timeframe, cases involving disciplinary measures or diversion requirements contribute disproportionately to longer resolution periods, reflecting both their complexity and the Board's commitment to appropriate oversight and follow-up.

2025 CASE STATUS



**Chart shows 51 cases related to one individual considered as 1 case for data purposes.

AVERAGE DAYS TO RESOLVE CASES



CASES INVESTIGATED IN 2025

- 2021I003 | Criminal Arrest/Conviction | Pending
- 2021I021 | Sexual Misconduct | Pending
- 2022I042 | Criminal Arrest | Dismissed
- 2023I037 | Criminal Arrest | Dismissed
- 2024I002 | Unauthorized Advertising | Dismissed
- 2024I022 | Criminal Arrest/Substance Abuse | Consent Order
- 2024I024 | Criminal Arrest/Substance Abuse | Consent Order
- 2024I025 | Unprofessional Conduct | Dismissed
- 2024I028 | Supervision/Billing | Dismissed
- 2024I029 | Criminal Arrest | Dismissed
- 2024I032 | Billing/Documentation | Consent Order
- 2024I033 | Criminal Arrest | Dismissed
- 2024I021 | Billing/Documentation | Pending
- 2024I031 | Sexual Misconduct/Documentation | Pending
- 2025I002 | Unprofessional Conduct/Sexual Misconduct | Dismissed
- 2025I003 | Documentation | Consent Order
- 2025I004 | Unauthorized Advertising | Dismissed
- 2025I005 | Documentation | Dismissed
- 2025I006 | Documentation | Dismissed
- 2025I007 | Practicing Without a License | Dismissed
- 2025I008 | Documentation/Billing | Dismissed
- 2025I009 | Documentation/Supervision | Pending
- 2025I010 | Criminal Arrest | Pending
- 2025I011 | Billing/Documentation | Consent Order
- 2025I012 | Unprofessional Conduct/Sexual Misconduct | Dismissed
- 2025I013 | Criminal Arrest | Pending
- 2025I014 | Criminal Arrest/Sexual Misconduct | Consent Order
- 2025I015 | Unprofessional Conduct | Dismissed
- 2025I016 | Criminal Arrest | Pending
- 2025I017 | Criminal Arrest/Substance Abuse | Consent Order

- 2025I018 | Non-Compliance with Board Order | Dismissed
- 2025I019 | Criminal Arrest | Pending
- 2025I020 | Criminal Arrest | Pending
- 2025I021 | Documentation/Billing | Dismissed
- 2025I022 | Criminal Arrest | Dismissed
- 2025I023 | Criminal Arrest | Pending
- 2025I024 | Criminal Arrest | Dismissed
- 2025I025 | Substance Abuse | Consent Order
- 2025I026 | Supervision/Billing | Pending
- 2025I027 | Criminal Arrest | Dismissed
- 2025I028 | Unprofessional Conduct | Dismissed
- 2025I029 | Documentation | Dismissed
- 2025I030 | Unprofessional Conduct/Sexual Misconduct | Dismissed
- 2025I031 | Criminal Arrest | Pending
- 2025I032 | Documentation/Billing | Dismissed
- 2025I033 | Criminal Arrest | Dismissed
- 2025I034 | Criminal Arrest | Pending
- 2025I035 | Substance Abuse | Dismissed
- 2025I036 | Unauthorized Advertising | Pending
- 2025I037 | Improper Documentation | Dismissed
- 2025I038 | Unprofessional Conduct | Dismissed
- 2025I039 | Unprofessional Conduct | Dismissed
- 2025I040 | Criminal Arrest | Pending
- 2025I041 | Criminal Arrest | Pending
- 2025I042 | Improper Billing | Dismissed
- 2025I043 | Unprofessional Conduct/Unauth. Treatment | Pending
- 2025I044 | Unprofessional Conduct | Pending
- 2025I045 | Unprofessional Conduct | Dismissed
- 2025I046 | Unprofessional Conduct | Dismissed
- 2025I047 | Substance Abuse | Dismissed
- 2025I048 - 2025-I-098 | Unprofessional Conduct | Pending

2025 ORDERS

Investigations Resulting in Disciplinary Action

Complaint 2024I031 | Joshua Lebert, PT 09073R | Boundaries | Mr. Lebert engaged in a sexual relationship with a patient. Lebert agreed to a suspension of his license pending further proceedings before the Board.

Complaint 2024I024 | Kelly Campbell, PT 09533R | Substance Abuse | Ms. Campbell was arrested on September 4, 2024. The Board suspended her license until she completed a Board-approved inpatient treatment program. Once her license is eligible to be reinstated, she shall be on probation for a minimum of five years and participate in the Recovering Physical Therapy Program.

Complaint 2024I032 | Steven Powell, PTA A8990 | Fraud | Mr. Powell fraudulently documented a home health patient visit and signed on behalf of the patient. His license was suspended for a period of six months and, upon the end of his suspension period, will be on probation for a minimum of 3 years. During his probationary period, he shall not work in any home health setting.

Complaint 2024I022/2025I017 | Christian Koestler, PTA A11898 | Substance Abuse | Mr. Koestler was arrested on August 25, 2024 and was involved in another incident on March 22, 2025. His license was summarily suspended. He submitted to inpatient substance abuse treatment. Upon completion, his license is on probation for a minimum of five years and he shall participate in the Recovering Physical Therapy Program.

Complaint 2025I025 | Mallory Lightfoot, PT 11884 | Substance Abuse | Ms. Lightfoot reported taking prescription medication from a co-worker. She completed a fitness for duty evaluation and her license was placed on probation for a minimum of 2 years. She shall participate in the Recovering Physical Therapy Program.

Complaint 2025-011 | Mitzi Romero, PTA A9309 | Fraud | Ms. Romero billed for physical therapy services which were not delivered to a patient. Her license was placed on probation for a minimum of 2 years.

Complaint 2025-I003 | Emily Fontaine, PT 11519 | Practice Issues | Ms. Fontaine abandoned her clients and failed to complete documentation, including transfer of care. Fontaine's license was placed on probation for a minimum of 1 year.

Complaint 2025I014 | Gabriel Sonnier, PT 11763 | Boundaries | Mr. Sonnier was arrested on March 16, 2025. The Board issued a Summary Suspension effective in May 2025. His license is suspended until he complies with all recommendations which resulted from a comprehensive psychosexual evaluation by a board recognized provider. Upon completion of these requirements, his license will be placed on a five-year probation period and he shall participate in the Recovering Physical Therapy Program, complete quarterly polygraph examinations, and comply with supervised clinical practice for a minimum of 5 five years. Should he be found guilty, enter a guilty plea, or plea of nolo contendere, or any other pleas under LA C.Cr.P art 893 to any criminal offense relating to sexual misconduct, his license will automatically be revoked.

Conditional Reinstatement of License Order

Complaint 2016I019 | Daniel Henning, PT 08872 | Substance Abuse | In 2014, Henning disclosed to the Board a history of substance abuse and participated in the Recovering Physical Therapy Program (RPTP). He entered into an order with the Board in 2017 after failing to comply with the RPTP. He voluntarily surrendered his license in May 2018 after failing to comply with his 2017 Order. He subsequently completed inpatient treatment. In 2025 Mr. Henning relapsed and completed inpatient treatment. On November 5, 2025, Henning's license was reinstated in a suspended status until such time that he complies with all recommendations from his inpatient treatment and will remain suspended until the Board notices him of formal acceptance of his completion of all terms. After suspension, he will be on probation for a minimum of 5 years. He will submit to a period of supervised clinical practice for a minimum of six months upon return to the practice and shall participate in the Recovering Physical Therapy Program.

Non-Compliance with Board Order

Complaint 2014I004/2019I002/2020-I-006 | Gretchen Duplantis, PT 04772F | Failure to Cooperate | Ms. Duplantis failed to comply with the terms of her Recovering Physical Therapy Program agreement. The Board issued a Consent Order requiring that she complete a fitness for duty evaluation. Ms. Duplantis's license was suspended because she failed to meet the requirements within the provided timeframe agreed upon in her Order. Ms. Duplantis entered into a consent order to resolve the outstanding terms from a 2016 and 2020 order, providing a practical pathway for Ms. Duplantis to return to work. The new order included a requirement to complete a fitness for duty evaluation within 30 days of the order being approved by the Board. Ms. Duplantis failed to comply with this requirement. On June 18, 2025, the Board voted to summarily suspend Duplantis's license due to her non-compliance, pending a hearing. Duplantis later voluntarily surrendered her license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings.



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