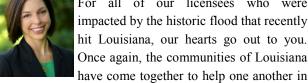


# Louisiana Physical Cherapy Board

## For all of our licensees who

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR PT Community,

NEWSLETTER



Once again, the communities of Louisiana have come together to help one another in a time of devastation and trauma. Thank you to all of our licensees who have assisted those in need during this time.

The good nature of people in our state reminds us that there are many who are concerned with the protection of the citizens of the Louisiana. The Board office has received numerous inquiries regarding the licensure

application process in the wake of the flood. Please rest assured that the application process has not changed. No exceptions or exemptions to the licensing process are being made due to the recent natural disaster. The Board office is making every effort to reduce delays in the process of issuing licenses, and the process continues to be expeditious. Charlotte F. Martin, M.P.A. **Executive Director** RECENT CHANGES PRACTICE ACT AND RULES

Don Cassano, Jr., PT Aug 2017 Secretary/Treasurer Beth Austin, PT July 2016 Kristina Lounsberry, PT July 2018

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Chairman

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CURRENT BOARD

SUMMER 2016

Term Expires

Nov 2016

Patrick Cook, PT Sept 2018 Nancy Churchill, PTA Aug 2019

An updated version of the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board Practice Act and Rules can be downloaded from the Board website. **Latest Practice Act Changes** Effective June 6, 2016

Governor John Bel Edwards signed legislation that amended the Louisiana Physical Therapy

Practice Act (La. R.S. 37:2418). In summary, the following changes were made:

4. No physical therapist shall render a medical diagnosis of disease.

Official Board Statements

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Official Board Statements regarding Direct Access

### July 7, 2016 healthcare provider if, after 30 days of treatment, the patient has not made measureable or function-

al improvement;

The new direct access provisions do not change the law as it related to Workers' Compen-

scription or referral; Notification to licensees of the June 7, 2016 change to the Practice Act. A PT treating a patient without a prescription or referral must refer the patient to an appropriate Clarification to licensees regarding physical therapy diagnosis

\$100 (\$50 increase)

\$150 (\$75 increase)

PTs possessing a doctorate degree or 5 years of

licensed clinical practice experience may implement physical therapy treatment without a pre-

- management. Must contain evidence-based information related to the practice. Fee Schedule (§501)
- Initial license application fee \$250 (\$50 increase) Renewal of License, per year \$140 (\$25 increase)

PREPARE **NOW** FOR RENEWALS

Don't wait until the deadline to get ready for renewals! Our new, interactive website makes it easy

Visit www.laptboard.org to set up an account. Click "Login" on the upper right-hand corner of the homepage and then follow the prompts to sign up. Louisiana licensees will create an account as a PT or PTA, not a new applicant. New applicants are those applying for licensure in Louisiana.

Tracking continuing education required for renewal has never been easier. Login to your account and add Board-approved courses to your profile. Once a course is added, you can scan and upload

Archived CEU Courses" button on the lower portion of the continuing education screen. Beginning in September 2016, licensees will have the ability to manually archive courses that should not apply to the current renewal cycle. Log in after September 1, 2016 to begin archiving courses that will not

#### Still having trouble? The information found in our database may not match the information that you are entering on the "Create an Account" screen. Please contact the Board office for assistance.

Enter continuing education all year long!

certificates to be stored on your profile.

apply to your next renewal cycle.

Benefits to entering continuing education early

CE Sponsor Review Fee (Course <8hrs)

CE Sponsor Review Fee (Course 8+hrs)

for you to prepare early.

Haven't set up your account yet?

Renewal Period begins February 1 and ends March 31.

- Courses listed in the "Current Courses" section of your profile should only include courses reported for the current renewal cycle. Licensees may access archived courses by clicking the "View
- Track continuing education hours. By entering completed courses early, the Board website calculates the number of credit hours a licensee has completed for the renewal period. Licensees must archive courses that were taken prior to the renewal period for an accurate calculation.

HELPFUL RESOURCES

Are you or is someone you know battling with substance abuse? It is time to consider the RPTP. The objective of the program is to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the public by monitoring impaired practitioners whose capacity to practice with reasonable skill and safety has been, or may potentially be, compromised because of the use of alcohol, drugs, or as a result of any mental or physical condition. The program provides a structured program for PTs and PTAs seeking recovery from the impairment through a non-punitive, confidential process (§§353, 355). For more information, please contact Charlotte Martin at 337-262-1043 ext. 102 or

not Board-approved gives licensees time to resolve deficiencies in course requirements.

Identify courses taken that are not Board-approved. Early identification of courses that are

Free Ethics Course Offering – 2 Credits The Board has approved a *free* Ethics course titled "Navigating the Regulatory Environment: Ensuring Compliance While Promoting Professional Integrity." This course is sponsored by the APTA and is offered to everyone, including non-members. As a reminder, only 15 hours of distance learning coursework is reportable during each renewal cycle.

#### Renewal of License form. Completing the form does not exempt individuals from public notification list in the newsletter. Steven Churchill Beatrice Aex Edgardo Jr Guarte

Carolyn Dunavant

Thomas Dunn

Jules Dupont

Eric Dupuy

Cynthia Dy

Kristen Dyck

Caleb Elkins

Renee Elston

John Evans

Eric Fisher

Benjamin Endel

Reuben Escorpizo

Frederick Ferraris

Virginia Fleming

Shay Fontenot

Brandi Furr

Brushie Edwards

Karen Duplessis

Elizabeth Baugh

Kristi Boudreaux

Larrievel Fey Bour-

Sarah Beaugez

Kaitlin Bohn

Erin Bowser

Tyler Brady

Christie Brady

Jean Brasseaux

Alayna Brewer

David Brewer

Brandon Brice

Nicole Calkins

David Canale

Alison Cardin

Kimberly Buchner

Amanda Caporossi

Richard Brasseaux

Have you completed Dry Needling coursework?

compliance with Board requirements for dry needling treatment.

Erica Banks Abigail Daunis Natalie Hearn Alvin Moreau, Jr. Marla Smith Laura Bares Shaun Heinzeroth Rachel Morris Catherine Devening Amber Sones Christopher Barth Michael DiGrazia Toni Henry Eric Morson Meghan Sonnier Angela Hoffstetter Richard Dorris III Jeanne Battles Britton Moss Eileen Stephan

Sarah Homan

Nathan Hunt

Kimberly House

Howard Jackson

Ashlee Johnson

David Johnson

David Johnson

Vanessa Knight

Jan Krennerich

William LaHaye

Mary Lanclos

Brant Landry

Ramona Lazard

Christel Lewis

Jared Lewis

John Layne

Alanna Koepnick

Nicholas Kostovich

DISCIPLINARY ACTION William Hooper, PT 04480, Morgan City, Administrative Complaint No. 2015-I-018. Respondent failed to comply with Board Order and failed to respond/cooperate with Board.

Kristin Young Jordan Gaston Denise Rogers Kim Licausi Ryan Carew Robert Genovese James Rowe Gale Zayas Derek Little Ashli Carlson Heather Sanchez Paul Zeagler Ariele Gerami Barbara Logan Shanelle Carolan Jessica Gilbert John Scott Tracy Zytkoskee Dale Malstrom Mary Carpenter **Emily Graham** Kristen Selle Garrett Mandel Pamela Carr Kathy Granger Ashley Sexton Darlene Manuel Karin Choe Edgar Grotefend Jamar Sheffie Colleen Martin

he entered into a Consent Order which includes an 18-month probation, additional CEs and an

Respondent failed to submit to a drug test and failed to cooperate with the Board. On April 26, 2016, she entered into a Consent Order which includes suspension with a three-year probation including evaluation, participation in the RPTP, restrictions on her licenses and monitoring.

Gretchen Duplantis, PT 04772F, Baton Rouge, Administrative Complaint No. 2014-I-004. Respondent violated the Practice Act and Rules related to fraudulent billing and documentation, supervision, habitual intemperance, and failure to cooperate with the board. On April 26, 2016,

Sacha Comeaux, PT 07048, Plaquemine, Administrative Complaint No. 2016-I-002.

William Hooper, PT 04480, Morgan City, Administrative Complaint No. 2015-I-001. Respondent failed to comply with the Confidential Recovery Physical Therapy Program. On October 7, 2016, the Board Ordered a suspension and five year probation including evaluation,

including a suspension and five year probation with an evaluation, participation in the RPTP,

Rebecca Seymour PT 07641R, Tickfaw, Administrative Complaint No. 2014-I-012.

the Board Ordered a suspension and five years probation including an evaluation, participation in the RPTP, restrictions on her license and monitoring. Robyn Alleman, PT 05219, Shreveport, Administrative Complaint No. 2016-I-001. On April 26, 2016, she voluntarily surrendered her license in lieu of disciplinary action due to noncompliance of her Consent Order. She is eligible for reinstatement March 17, 2019.

restrictions on her license and monitoring.

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on June 29, 2020.

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the RPTP, restrictions on her license and monitoring.

with the Board which includes reporting requirements.

license. She is eligible for reinstatement on April 7, 2018.

**RULE REVIEW: DOCUMENTATION STANDARDS** 

restrictions on her license and monitoring.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

reinstatement on December 3, 2020.

28, 2019.

Respondent failed to comply with the Board Order and failed to comply with the Recovering Physical Therapy Program. On April 26, 2016 she entered into a Consent Order with a suspension and six month probation including an evaluation, restrictions on her license and monitoring. Rebecca Seymour PT 07641R, Tickfaw, Administrative Complaint No. 2014-I-012. Respondent failed a pre-employment drug screen and failed to cooperate with the Board. On March 3, 2016 the Board Ordered a suspension and five year probation with an evaluation, participation in the RPTP, restrictions on her license and monitoring.

Art Prado, PTA A1993G, Sunset, Administrative Complaint No. 2014-I-009. Respondent failed to comply with his Consent Order. On February 23, 2016 the Board Ordered a suspension and five year probation with an evaluation, participation in the RPTP, restrictions on her license

surrendered her license in lieu of disciplinary actin. She is eligible for reinstatement on January

Respondent took a partially nude photo at work. On October 28, 2015 she entered into a Consent

Jane Wetherington, PT 00439R, Shreveport, Administrative Complaint No. 2015-I-002. Respondent treated patients under the influence of alcohol and failed to cooperate with the Board. On October 7, 2015 the Board Ordered her to a three year probation with an evaluation prior to working in home health, participation in the RPTP, restrictions on her license and monitoring.

Julie Alexander, PTA A4602, Plaquemine, Administrative Complaint No. 2015-I-001. Respondent self-reported hospitalization related to alcohol abuse. On September 29, 2015

voluntarily surrendered her license in lieu of disciplinary action. She is eligible for reinstatement

Pamela Hoffman, PT 03252, Slidell, Administrative Complaint No. 2015-I-007. Respondent

2016 he entered into a Consent Order with suspension and three year probation including CEs,

Respondent violated her Consent Order and failed to abstain from the use of drugs and alcohol. On May 27, 2015, the Board Ordered for Summary Suspension of license. On August 31, 2015, the Board Ordered her to a suspension and five year probation with an evaluation, participation in

Respondent failed to timely renew. On May 13, 2015 she entered into an Informal Consent Order

Beau Bassil, PTA, A8483, Metairie, Administrative Complaint No. 2015-I-009. Respondent failed to timely renew. On May 12, 2015 he entered into an Informal Consent Order with the

Jane Wetherington, PT 00439R, Shreveport, Administrative Complaint No. 2015-I-002. Responded failed to comply with the Board Order dated October 7, 2015. On December 3, 2015

she voluntarily surrendered her license in lieu of disciplinary action. She is eligible for

Emily Hymel, PT 08092, Baton Rouge, Administrative Complaint No. 2015-I-011.

Order with an eighteen month probation including CEs, essay and monitoring.

**Ashley Wilkinson, PTA A7142,** Meraux. Administrative Complaint No. 2014-I-006. Respondent failed to comply with her Board Order. On January 28, 2016, she voluntarily

Board which includes reporting requirements. Stacey Andrus, PTA A6598, Deville, Administrative Complaint No. 2014-I-017. Respondent failed to comply with her reinstatement order involving drug and alcohol screening and treated patients under the influence of alcohol. On April 7, 2015 the Board Ordered revocation of her

Art Prado, PTA A1993G, Sunset, Administrative Complaint No. 2014-I-009. Respondent

The LPTB board members encourage licensees, employers, schools, and other stakeholders to engage the Board. You may contact the Board informally through an email, letter, or phone call, or you may take a formal route and petition the Board for an official statement. Once informed, the Board will address your topics at the monthly Board meetings. To access the Board meeting schedule and the monthly agenda, please visit www.laptboard.org/ meetings and to view a historical index of Board meeting minutes, please visit www.laptboard.org/minutes. Interpreting Rules without seeking input from the Board puts licensees at unnecessary potential risk for disciplinary action.

failed to meet with scheduled patients and staff and failed to return company equipment. Violations of alcohol abuse were found. On April 6, 2015, he entered into a Consent Order including suspension and five year probation with an evaluation, participation in the RPTP,

BOARD UPDATE To fulfill its mission to protect the public, the Board has recently voted to approve the launch of the Public Service Announcement (PSA). This statewide PSA will be aired from September 2016 through May 2017, with an option for the Board to extend the PSA reach depending on the status

ADVISORY COMMITTEE Board meeting 4:00pm Administrative Hearing 8:00am

**Latest Rules and Regulations Changes** Effective August 20, 2016 Continuing Education Course Review Requirements (§193) Course sponsors no longer need "prior approval" when applying for courses. APTA, LPTA and CAPTE sponsored courses are automatically approved. Application for individual course approval may be reviewed at any time, up until 60 days prior to expiration of the license (February 28 or 29). The prior language limited the review period to within 90 days of taking the course. CEU Content Criteria Requirements (§195) Easily recognizable as pertinent to the profession and in the areas of ethics, professional responsibility, clinical application, clinical management, behavioral science, science or risk

Renewal form made easy. The renewal form is available starting February 1st (only odd year birth years will renew in 2017). The renewal process is much easier when non-Board-approved courses are identified months in advance.

charlotte@laptboard.org

Recovering Physical Therapy Program (RPTP)

Find this course at <a href="http://learningcenter.apta.org">http://learningcenter.apta.org</a>.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Scan and email your course completion certificate(s) to ceu@laptboard.org to remain in

LICENSES NOT RENEWED IN 2016 Notice of licensees who choose to not renew their Louisiana license is provided to the public. Non-renewal is **not** grounds for disciplinary action and should not be interpreted as such. Individuals who will not be renewing their license in Louisiana are to complete a Notice of Non-

Stephanie Collier Larry Silvino Myra Agnelly Eric Hartman Erica Sims Jason Cooper Alicia McQuiston Alvin Allen Montana Anderson Alisha Cory Heather Hartman Harry Minard Celeste Small Deborah Hatheway Carly Moreau Gregory Ball Roy Crowley, Jr. Jeana Smith

Catherine Guelfi

Laura Matson

Edwin Mayo

Jeffrey Murphy

Amber Oliphant

Rotimi Oyewole

Victoria Parker

Michelle Parrish

Clemon Patterson

Megan Paul Taunton

Robert Pasero

Kerrie Patton

Teresa Pogash

Russell Porter

Deborah Rathe

Denise Ray

Adrian Reed

Kathye Reiss

Nicholas Pontifex

Anna Owens

Kristine Joy Nolasco

Debra Siblev

Melissa Stephens

Nicole Stewart

Joshua Stoufflet

Jennifer Taylor

Noelle Teemant

Amber Thomas

Danielle Thomas

Carolyne Wade

Peter Torpy

Lara White

Lynda Willis

Steven Wilson

Jeffrey Wright

Jane Wyckoff

Deborah York

Jennifer Young

Jan Viet

Rosalinda Thevenot

Revocation June 15, 2016. Brian Knight, PT 00755, New Orleans, Administrative Complaint No. 2015-I-028. Respondent failed to comply with the CE audit, failed to cooperate with Board. On May 24, 2016,

participation in the RPTP, restrictions on his license, and monitoring. Robyn Alleman, PT 05219, Shreveport, Administrative Complaint No. 2014-I-011. Respondent abused controlled substances and engaged in conduct that resulted in arrest and the initiation of criminal prosecution. On February 26, 2015, she entered into a Consent Order

tested positive for illegal marijuana use unrelated to the practice. On July 24, 2015 she entered into a Consent Order with three year probation including an evaluation, participation in the RPTP, restrictions on her license and monitoring. Ayodeji Famuyide, PT 03314F, Baton Rouge, Administrative Complaint No. 2014-I-001. Respondent documented services fraudulently and involved another physical therapist. On June 2,

Ashley Wilkinson, PTA A7142, Meraux. Administrative Complaint No. 2014-I-006.

Stephanie Keen, PT 01524R, Covington, Administrative Complaint No. 2015-I-010.

that is confusing the frequency of documentation standards. Reviewing the definitions of terms ensures that you are not relying on the term of the activity, but the actual activity as defined by the Board when documenting.

With the transition to electronic management records or with a transition in office management,

licensees may have received updated forms. The Board receives correspondences from licensees and it appears that there may be confusion with form titles. The Board urges licensees to review Rule §341 in detail, reviewing the definitions of the terms. In practice terminology may be used of the budget at the end of June 2017. The PSA will reach Louisiana citizens through television, radio, and online advertisements informing the public of physical therapy training and licensure Al Moreau, III, PT

STAFF MEMBERS Upcoming Events

Board Meetings 09/21/2016 Board meeting 4:00pm 09/22/2016 Administrative Hearing 8:00am 10/20/2016 10/21/2016

Charlotte F. Martin, M.P.A Amanda Lafleur, MBA Director of Operations Stephanie Boudreaux Compliance Officer

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Wayne Campbell, PT Lafayette

Nicholas Butler, PT

Christopher Franks, PT Lake Charles

Ryan Usner, PT Harahan

Baton Rouge Jeremy Dye, PT Shreveport

Robert Montanaro, PT

and how to verify that a treating physical therapist is licensed.

URISPRUDENCE SEMINARS Sunday, September 11, 2016 Baton Rouge 1:00pm - 3:00pm Crowne Plaza Hotel in conjunction with the LPTA Fall Meeting Thursday, October 27, 2016

Metairie 6:00pm - 8:00pm Sheraton Metairie-New Orleans Hotel Louisiana Physical Therapy Board

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