



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## Health Regulation and Licensing Administration

### BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY OPEN SESSION MEETING AGENDA

**March 10, 2021**

**3:30pm to 5:00 pm**

#### Virtual Meeting Notice

*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all board meetings will be held virtually during the declared public health emergency.*

*Information on how to access the public portion of the meeting is listed below:*

#### **Join by Web**

<https://dcnet.webex.com/dcnet/j.php?MTID=mf4b68e687004defcb607071c9897896c>

#### **Join by Phone**

Call in Number: 1-650-479-3208

Access Code: 475 199 633

## OPEN SESSION MARCH 10, 2021

OS-0321-01	<b>CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL</b>	
OS-0321-02	<b>APPROVAL OF THE OPEN SESSION AGENDA</b>	
OS-0321-03	<b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</b>	
OS-0321-04	<b>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT</b>	
OS-0321-05	<b>CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT</b>	
OS-0321-06	<p><b>MINUTES</b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> Consideration of the Open Session Minutes from the February 10, 2020 meeting.</p>	
OS-0321-07	<p><b>DELEGATED AUTHORITIES</b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> The Board is to review the outlined delegated authorities and determine whether to accept.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> As the Board of Physical Therapy (“the Board”) is limited in how often it can meet, the Board has delegated various authorities to Board staff to help accomplish the goal of public safety. These delegated authorities are limited in nature and are intended to facilitate the business of the Board in an efficient and expedient manner, while at the same time ensuring patient safety is always maintained.</p>	

OS-0321-08

## SCOPE OF PRACTICE REVISION

### **Board Action:**

Review and discuss whether to update current scope of practice.

### **Background:**

The Health Regulation and Licensing Administration is currently in the process of updating the Health Occupational and Revisions Act (HORA). All Boards have been encouraged to review and potential update its scope of practice.

**(12)(A)** “Practice of physical therapy” means the independent evaluation of human disability, injury, or disease by means of noninvasive tests of neuromuscular functions and other standard procedures of physical therapy, and the treatment of human disability, injury, or disease by therapeutic procedures, embracing the specific scientific application of physical measures to secure the functional rehabilitation of the human body. These measures include the use of therapeutic exercise, therapeutic massage, heat or cold, air, light, water, electricity, or sound for the purpose of correcting or alleviating any physical or mental disability, or preventing the development of any physical or mental disability, or the performance of noninvasive tests of neuromuscular functions as an aid to the detection or treatment of any human condition.

**(B)** “Practice by physical therapy assistants” means the performance of selected physical therapy procedures and related tasks under the direct supervision of a physical therapist by a person who has graduated from a physical therapy assistant program accredited by an agency recognized for that purpose by the Secretary of the Department of Education or the Council of Postsecondary Accreditation.

**(C)** Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as preventing or restricting the practices, services, or activities of a physical therapy aide who works only under the direct supervision of a physical therapist, and whose activities do not require advanced training in, or complex application of, therapeutic procedures or other standard procedures involved in the practice of physical therapy.

<https://code.dccouncil.us/dc/council/code/sections/3-1201.02.html>

<https://www.fsbpt.org/Free-Resources/Licensing-Authorities-Contact-Information>

<http://www.visalaw.com/wpcontent/uploads/2014/10/ptchart.pdf>

OS-0321-09	<p><b>ASSESSMENT FEE SCHEDULE</b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> Review and determine whether to approve the draft assessment fee schedule.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> To assist the Board with its work, Board Staff drafted an assessment fee schedule for the Board to review. The schedule features the Board’s most frequently assessed matters.</p>	
OS-0321-10	<p><b>CEU REVIEW - ACHIEVING ACTIVITY-BASED INTERVENTION FOR STUDENTS WITH MULTIPLE DISABILITIES</b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> Review and determine whether to approve the use of the CEUs by licensees.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> Rifton Equipment submitted a request to have the CEU course approved for use by the Board’s PT licensees. The course has been approved by the Maryland board.</p>	
OS-0321-11	<p><b>CEU REVIEW – PEDIATRIC INCONTINENCE AND PELVIC DYSFUNCTION</b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> Review and determine whether to approve the use of the CEUs by licensees.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> DSD PT Consulting, PLLC submitted a request to have the CEU course approved for use by the Board’s PT licensees.</p>	

OS-0321-12	<p><b>MOTION TO CLOSE</b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> Upon conclusion of the open session meeting pursuant to the DC Official Code 2-575(b) and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will move into the closed executive session portion of the meeting to consult with the Board attorney, discuss disciplinary matters and hear reports concerning violations of the law or regulations.</p>	
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The next open session meeting scheduled for March 10, 2021 at 3:30pm.

The Open Meetings Act governs this meeting. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at [opengovoffice@dc.gov](mailto:opengovoffice@dc.gov).

FYIOS-0321-01	<p><b>TELEHEALTH – FYI NO ACTION NEEDED</b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> The Board is to provide any feedback/discussion.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> DC Health has created an inter-professional workgroup comprised of the Board Chairs from different licensure boards. The group was established to generate ideas on solving health matters from a multi-discipline approach. The Workgroup has decided to focus its efforts on the development of legislation to address telehealth.</p>	
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