

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
Special Projects Agenda
Teleconference Meeting
January 22, 2015 * 08:30AM

Board Members Present

Bo Hamil, PT- Committee Chair
Stefanie Palma, PT
Jesse Crews, Consumer Member

Administrative Staff Present

Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Tamara Elliott, Board Support Specialist
Wanda Jaffe, Licensing Supervisor
Kathy Osier, Licensing Supervisor
Sonja Glover, Licensing Analyst

OPEN SESSION

1. **Call to Order:** Mr. Hamil established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 8:31a.m.
2. **FSBPT JAM (Jurisdiction Assessment Module) Presentation**
The Committee recommends tabling FSBPT JAM for further research and discussion before making a rule change.
3. **FSBPT Updated Criteria for Using a CWT / International Education Research Foundation (IERF)**
The Committee recommends tabling FSBPT Criteria for using CWT/IERF for further research
4. **Correspondence from Tommy Williamson – PT Code of Ethics & Fee Splitting**
The Committee recommends a full legal opinion from the Attorney General’s office on this matter.
5. **Fingerprinting Legislation**
The Committee recommends a BR 490-2-.01 revision to require fingerprinting as follows

490-2-.01 Application For Licensure And Examination.

- (1) A completed application for examination must be submitted and approved prior to taking the examination.
- (2) Any physical therapist or physical therapist assistant who plans to practice as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant in the State of Georgia must be licensed by the Board prior to beginning said practice.
- (3) Any applicant who does not submit required documentation within one year of initial filing date will not be given further consideration by the Board until submission of new application and payment of appropriate fees.
- (4) All applicants for licensure and examination are also subject to the provisions of O.C.G.A. §§43-1-19 and 43-33-18.
- (5) [All applicants must have satisfactory results from a fingerprint record check report conducted by the Georgia Crime Information Center as determined by the Board. Applicants for licensure under O.C.G.A. § 43-24A constitute express consent and authorization for the Board or its representatives to perform a criminal background check. Each applicant who submits to the Board for licensure by examination agrees to provide the Board with any and all information necessary to run a criminal background check including, but not limited to, classifiable sets of fingerprints. The applicant shall be responsible for all fees associated with the performing of such background check.\(a\)Individuals who hold or was issued a current license to practice physical therapy in the state of Georgia during the biennium of January 1, 2014 through January 31, 2015 shall not be required to submit to a fingerprint record check for license renewal.](#)
(b)[The Board in its discretion may randomly select a percentage, not to exceed 5%, of all licensees to have a satisfactory result from a fingerprint record check report conducted by the Georgia Crime Information Center at renewal.](#)

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-3, 43-1-19, 43-1-24, 43-1-25, 43-33-10 to 43-33-14, 43-33-18. **History.**

Original Rule entitled “Application for Registration and Examination” adopted. F. and eff. June 30, 1965. **Repealed:** New Rule of same title adopted. F. May 1, 1973; eff. May 21, 1973. **Repealed:** New Rule entitled “Application for Licensure and Examination” adopted. F. June 6, 1983; eff. June 26, 1983. **Repealed:** New Rule of same title adopted. F. Mar. 22, 1989; eff. Apr. 11, 1989. **Amended:** F. July 17, 1989; eff. Aug. 6, 1989. **Amended:** F. May 26, 1993; eff. June 15, 1993. **Amended:** F. Jan. 24, 1995; eff. Feb. 13, 1995. **Repealed:** New Rule of same title adopted. F. Aug. 20, 2004; eff. Sept. 9, 2004.

6. Miscellaneous

Mr. Hamil recommends referring BR 490-2-.01 to the full board for discussion in reference to changing the titles of the rules under Chapter 490-9 Code of Ethics to be consistent with the terminology used within the statute.

Adjournment: With no additional business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 9:07am.

The next Georgia State Board of Physical Therapy meeting will be on Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes recorded by:	Tamara Elliott, Board Support Specialist
Minutes reviewed and edited by:	Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Minutes approved on:	January 27, 2015

BO HAMIL
BOARD PRESIDENT

ADRIENNE PRICE
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