



Physical Therapy Board of California

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PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD OF CALIFORNIA APPROVED TELECONFERENCE MINUTES

Thursday, March 17, 2011 2:00 p.m.

Teleconference Locations

Southcoast Rehab
1800 Westwind Dr. Suite 107
Bakersfield, CA 93301

Physical Therapy Board of California
2005 Evergreen St., Lake Tahoe Room
Sacramento, CA 95815

New Horizon Physical Therapy
5475 N. Fresno St., Suite 110
Fresno, CA 93710

160 Winesap Dr.
Brentwood, CA 94513

Athercare Fitness and Rehab
20994 Redwood Rd.
Castro Valley, CA 94546

For the sake of clarity, the meeting minutes are organized in numeric order to reflect original order on the agenda; however, issues were taken out of order during the meeting.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The Physical Therapy Board of California (Board) teleconference was called to order at 2:07 p.m. Roll was taken and the following members were present: Dr. Sara Takii, Physical Therapist, Dr. Debra J. Alviso, Physical Therapist, Ms. Marty Jewell, PT, Ph.D., Mr. Donald A. Chu, PT, Ph.D., and Mr. James E. Turner. Ms. Karen B. Pines was absent. A quorum was established.

2. Discussion/Action – Proposed Amendment to Title 16, Division 13.2, Section 1398.44 of the California Code of Regulations: Adequate Supervision Defined

Mr. Steven K. Hartzell informed the Board that public comments were not received regarding the amendment made to CCR Section 1398.44 (d)(8) at the March 1, 2011 teleconference; therefore, staff will proceed with the rulemaking file.

3. Actions by the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) to Test NPTE Candidates on Fixed Dates

Mr. Jason Kaiser explained the FSBPT has lifted the restriction to test for all physical therapist applicants; however, the FSBPT has also implemented fixed testing dates to all physical therapist applicants, foreign and domestic, commencing July 1, 2010. The fixed testing dates will not apply to physical therapist assistant applicants; they may continue to test on a continuous basis. As of the last FSBPT Webinar, the proposed testing dates

for the remainder of 2010 are: September 7th, October 7th, and December 5th. The FSBPT reported there will be five testing dates in 2012 approximately 10 weeks apart.

Mr. Hartzell added the FSBPT will be increasing the exam fee from \$370 to \$400 in 2013 for all candidates.

Mr. Hartzell shared the California Physical Therapy Association (CPTA) has a placeholder bill for the current legislative session. There is a possibility of using the placeholder bill to add license applicant status as it will apply to the fixed testing test imposed by the FSBPT to the Board's statutory authority.

MOTION: To direct the Executive Officer to seek statutory changes to bring the Board in compliance with fixed testing dates.

MOVED: Ms. Jewell, PT, Ph.D.

SECOND: Dr. Alviso, Physical Therapist

**VOTE: 5-0, 1 absent
Motion carried**

Mr. Hartzell reported Dr. Norman Hertz is working with the FSBPT today, reviewing evidence to determine whether the NPTE exam is secure and if the actions taken by the FSBPT were justified.

4. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

There were no additional public comments.

5. Disciplinary Decisions

The Board convened in CLOSED SESSION to deliberate on disciplinary actions pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(c)(3).

Disciplinary decisions will be available on the Board's Web site at www.ptbc.ca.gov.

6. Adjournment

The teleconference adjourned at 3:45 p.m., March 17, 2011.

MOTION: To adopt the draft minutes from the March 17, 2011 meeting.

MOVED: Ms. Jewell, PT, Ph.D.

SECOND: Mr. Chu, PT, Ph.D.

VOTE: 5-0 Motion carried

Dr. Sara Takii, Physical Therapist

Date