



April 13, 2023

The Honorable Jim Wood  
Chair, Assembly Health Committee  
State Capitol, Suite 390  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 47 (Boerner Horvath), Pelvic Floor Physical Therapy Coverage:  
Support Position**

Dear Assemblymember Wood,

The Physical Therapy Board of California (PTBC), at its March 2023 meeting, adopted a Support position on AB 47 (as introduced 12/5/2023), which would require a health care service plan contract or health insurance policy issued, amended, or renewed on or after January 1, 2024, to provide coverage for pelvic floor physical therapy after pregnancy.

The PTBC recognizes that this bill improves access and quality of care for at-risk postpartum patients and would greatly benefit California consumers.

The PTBC is mandated by Business and Professions Code Section 2602.1 that the Board's highest priority is to protect the public. The provisions outlined in AB 47 would require health insurers to cover pelvic floor physical therapy after pregnancy to help women treat postpartum complications, therefore, the Board is in Support of AB 47.

If additional information is needed, please feel free to contact the Board's Legislative Manager, Brooke Arneson at (916) 561-8260.

Sincerely,

Tonia McMillian  
President, Physical Therapy Board of California

Cc:

The Honorable Assemblymember Boerner Horvath  
Honorable Members, Assembly Education Committee  
Jennifer Simoes, Deputy Director, Legislative Affairs, Deputy Director, Division of Legislative Affairs, Department of Consumer Affairs