

THE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
Professional & Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

- Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2015
- Time: 9:00 a.m.
- Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, First Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
- Present: Neil Shimabukuro, Physical Therapist (“PT”), Chair
Russell Chung, Public Member
Debra Kubota, PT
Elizabeth McCreary, Public Member
Alan Taniguchi, Executive Officer (“EO”)
Rodney Tam, Deputy Attorney General (“DAG”)
Jennifer Fong, Secretary
- Absent: Rachelle Iopa, PT, Vice Chair
- Guest: Herbert Yee, Hawaii Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association
- Agenda: The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”).
1. Call to Order: There being a quorum present, Chair Shimabukuro called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
 2. Additions/
Additional
Distribution
to Agenda:
 - Chair Shimabukuro announced that the following was distributed to the Board members as additional distribution:
 6. Unfinished Business
 - b. Rule Revisions – Title 16, Chapter 110, HAR – Continued Competence Draft Language
 - Emails from Debbie Kubota
 - Sample page of aPTitude Activities
 - Sample page of aPTitude Vendors

- Information regarding Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (“FSBPT”) Continuing Competence Model

3. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of the January 13, 2015 Meeting:

Chair Shimabukuro asked if there were any comments or concerns regarding the board meeting minutes of the January 13, 2015 meeting.

There were none.

Upon a motion by Ms. Kubota, seconded by Mr. Chung, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2015 meeting as circulated.

4. Executive Officer’s Report:

EO Taniguchi reported that the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division has increased fees across the board for both new applications and renewals. The fees will go towards updating the current data system.

5. New Business:

None.

6. Unfinished Business

a. Rule Revisions – Title 16, Chapter 110, Hawaii Administrative Rules (“HAR”)- Physical Therapist Assistant (“PTA”) Licensure – Update

EO Taniguchi reported that the rules were approved by the Governor and filed at the Lieutenant Governor’s office. The rules will be posted on the Board’s website as soon as possible.

b. Rule Revisions – Title 16, Chapter 110, HAR – Continued Competence Draft Language

EO Taniguchi noted that at the last meeting, the Board had tasked him with drafting language for retroactive approval of continued competence. He noted that he had consulted with other EOs and other boards have adopted a similar stance, however, it is not in their rules but is a policy with a proviso that if the licensee chooses to take a class that is not approved, they do so at their own peril.

Mr. Yee asked whether a medicare coding course would qualify.

Ms. McCreary stated that an office manager or staff member could do coding. Coding does not require a physical therapist license. She feels that the continued competence should focus on patient care, and not subjects such as coding and insurance billing.

DAG Tam reminded the Board that HRS §461J-10.11 states “continuing competence units shall be obtained in subjects related to either the

professional practice of physical therapy or patient/client management.” The section goes on to define both "professional practice of physical therapy" and "patient/client management".

Chair Shimabukuro said that while he feels such a course may be relevant to a physical therapist's practice, each course submitted to the Board would have to be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

EO Taniguchi stated that if a physical therapist is required by their employer to take a practice management course, they may also try to obtain approval from the board for that course.

After some discussion, upon a motion by Chair Shimabukuro, seconded by Ms. Kubota, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve courses which meet the content standards of HRS §461J-10.11 offered by the American Physical Therapy Association ("APTA") or the Hawaii Chapter of the APTA ("HAPTA"), and courses approved by the FSBPT's ProCert or by another state or jurisdiction's physical therapy board or its equivalent.

DAG Tam noted that any courses other than those which meet the requirements listed above must be submitted to the Board for review in order to determine whether they are acceptable. Course approval for those courses will be on a case-by-case basis.

After some discussion, upon a motion by Ms. Kubota, seconded by Mr. Chung, courses taken between January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016 may be submitted for approval retroactively.

Ms. Kubota informed the Board that she had contacted the FSBPT about the aPTitude system regarding the "other competence based activities". She was told that the FSBPT has their Continuing Competence Model which was provided to the board members, however, ultimately it is up to the Board to determine if these activities would qualify, what documents would be required to determine qualification and the amount of continuing competence units ("CCUs") awarded.

Chair Shimabukuro noted that the Board would conduct a random audit of licensees. Those chosen would have to provide proof of completion of the required CCUs. The documentation would have to be reviewed by the Board.

EO Taniguchi noted that the amount of licensees audited would depend on the percentage the Board chooses. Generally, other areas that have a random audit have chosen to audit between 5 – 10 percent. Currently, the Board has approximately 1,500 licensees so the audit would be 75 – 150 people.

Mr. Chung asked if the Board is considering allowing partial credit for competence based activities. He cited an example in which a licensee may have done a portion of a residency or fellowship but did not complete it.

DAG Tam stated that it is up to the Board to determine whether they will allow partial credit for competence based activities that are not completed.

Upon a motion by Chair Shimabukuro, seconded by Ms. McCreary, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer discussion on competence based activities.

7. Applications: a. Ratifications

Upon a motion by Chair Shimabukuro, seconded by Ms. Kubota, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the attached ratification list.

PHYSICAL THERAPIST LICENSE

PT 3921 KELLI A BARTO	PT 3944 DISA G B CAMACAYLAN
PT 3922 DUSTIN J LOYD	PT 3945 SAMANA LAKE
PT 3923 GAYATHRI DURAIPIANDIAN	PT 3946 RENE P REVILLAS
PT 3924 FRANCISCA L LIANGCO	PT 3947 JASON M BURNS
PT 3925 VADIM CIOBANU	PT 3948 YOUHEI IMOTO
PT 3926 HALEY A WAUD	PT 3949 SHARON E FAIR
PT 3927 JASMINE E TAYLOR	PT 3950 SAMANTHA E ROSSI
PT 3928 RANI I SUTLIFF	PT 3951 LEANNE M SEGURA
PT 3929 LISSA-ANN PORTORREAL	PT 3952 KEITH M CHAN
PT 3930 FRANCESCA A MANTI	PT 3953 SIERRA A STOUT
PT 3931 JONSON YOUSEFZADEH	PT 3954 MARY J CHACKONAL
PT 3932 JUNRIEL ROA	PT 3955 CHAD T FUJIYOSHI
PT 3933 MEGAN K WYAND	PT 3956 KEVIN Z BLANCHARD
PT 3934 MICHELLE A KOETTERITZ	PT 3957 ANDREW C BLACK III
PT 3935 JESSICA B LEE	PT 3958 ERIN DAVIDSON
PT 3936 JENNIFER N LEWIS	PT 3959 MONICA P PINEDA
PT 3937 ALEEZA KASSAM	PT 3960 MARK S THOMAS
PT 3938 HARRIET BAUMANN	PT 3961 TINA SELMAR-ETTING
PT 3939 KIMBERLY C WILKEY	PT 3962 NICHALAS F LANE
PT 3940 HUSSEIN BAQER	PT 3963 MELANIE A GAGNON
PT 3941 DILLON D C FINK	PT 3964 PHILIP J EFTHEMIS
PT 3942 MICHAEL P MAILEY	PT 3965 MARY L J A MORENO
PT 3943 MARGARET C DUNCAN	PT 3966 LAURA J ROMIG

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT LICENSE

PTA 201 KRISTINA K NAVARRO	PTA 209 DEBBIE L KOKI
PTA 202 FRANK J MCELROY	PTA 210 WILLIAM R BARNES
PTA 203 CELESTE VAN TREESE-OSAKI	PTA 211 CRYSTAL K HAFOKA
PTA 204 FERNANDO ALMEIDA	PTA 212 MICHAEL D ANTON
PTA 205 BINTI G BAILEY	PTA 213 JOGELIO T DADULAS
PTA 206 SCOTT C NELSON	PTA 214 JACOB W ATTERSON
PTA 207 CRIS T KANIAUPIO	PTA 215 KATRIN HANSON
PTA 208 HEATHER C BAILEY	PTA 216 JOHN B VENTURA

b. Applications

None.

9. Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 12, 2015
9:00 a.m.
Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
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9. Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Chair Shimabukuro adjourned the meeting at 10:18 a.m.

Taken by:

/s/ Jennifer Fong

Jennifer Fong
Secretary

Reviewed by:

/s/ Alan Taniguchi

Alan Taniguchi
Executive Officer

3/24/15

Minutes approved as is.

Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of _____.