

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

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

- Date: Tuesday, March 14, 2017
- 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  
Rachelle Iopa, PT, Vice Chair  
Debra Kubota, PT  
Michael Turner, PT  
Jill Wakabayashi, Physical Therapist Assistant (“PTA”)  
Alan Taniguchi, Executive Officer (“EO”)  
Rodney Tam, Deputy Attorney General (“DAG”)  
Jennifer Fong, Secretary
- Excused: Russell Chung, Public Member
- Guests: None.
- 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 9:07 a.m.
  2. Additional Distribution: None.
  3. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of the January 10, 2017 Meeting: Chair Shimabukuro asked if there were any comments or concerns regarding the board meeting minutes of the January 10, 2017 meeting.  
  
DAG Tam requested the last sentence on page 3 be corrected to read (underlined material added, while bracketed material is to be deleted) “DAG Tam stated that the Board could change the criteria by policy, however, he recommends placing language in the rules eventually.[and that a]An RFP is not required.

Upon a motion by Ms. Wakabayashi, seconded by Ms. Kubota, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2017 meeting as amended.

4. Executive Officer's Report:

a. License Renewal – Update

EO Taniguchi reminded the Board that all PT licensees who renewed at the “active” status signed an attestation that they completed their required continued competence (“CC”) units. The Board determined that they would do an audit of those licensees which is now in progress. Some states do a 100% audit and require all licensees to submit their documents electronically to the FSBPT’s aPTitude service.

Ms. Wakabayashi asked what kind of penalty the licensee would be assessed.

EO Taniguchi said based on other professions, the first violation is a fine.

Mr. Turner asked if the licensee would still be required to provide proof of compliance with the CC requirement.

EO Taniguchi said yes, any audited licensee would still have to comply. If the licensee did not complete their CC requirement, they should not have renewed their license at “active” status and therefore, should not be practicing in Hawaii.

5. Old Business:

a. Requirements for Ethics, Laws and Rules Courses

EO Taniguchi noted that the Board previously expressed concern about the quality of some of the ethics, laws and rules courses previously approved by the Board. At the last meeting, the Board deferred discussion on this matter. Board members were asked to come up with topics they would like required in ethics, laws and rules courses. Ms. Kubota provided a list of topics for review.

After some discussion, upon a motion by Ms. Kubota, seconded by Vice Chair Iopa, it was voted on and unanimously carried to that all courses must be based on the amended list of topics from Hawaii Administrative Rules Chapter 110, HRS Chapter 461J and HRS Chapter 436B and must require the licensee obtain a passing score of 80% on an exam consisting of a minimum of 25 questions on those topics. The Board delegated to EO Taniguchi the task of coming up with guidelines for course approval for ethics, laws, and rules (jurisprudence) by the Board.

6. New Business: a. Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (“FSBPT”) 2017 Annual Meeting, November 2-4, 2017, Santa Ana Pueblo, New Mexico

EO Taniguchi stated that the FSBPT will fund three people to represent the board at their annual meeting – a voting delegate, a primary alternate delegate and an administrator. He asked who would be interested in attending the conference.

Ms. Kubota stated that as a member of the FSBPT’s education committee, her attendance is already funded by the FSBPT.

After some discussion, upon a motion by Vice Chair Iopa, seconded by Ms. Kubota, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the following individuals to represent the Board at the FSBPT 2017 Annual Meeting: 1) EO Taniguchi as the Administrator; 2) Ms. Wakabayashi as the voting delegate; and 3) Chair Shimabukuro as the non-voting delegate.

b. FSBPT 2017 Leadership Issues Forum, July 29-30, 2017, Alexandria, Virginia

EO Taniguchi stated that voting delegate for the Annual Meeting is expected to attend the Leadership Issues Forum (“LIF”). The LIF provides an overview of topics and projects that are currently on the “front burner” for the FSBPT.

After some discussion, upon a motion by Chair Shimabukuro, seconded by Mr. Turner, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve Ms. Wakabayashi to attend the FSBPT 2017 Leadership Issues Forum.

c. Inquiry from Gerlie Matahum regarding whether becoming a BLS instructor is considered a teaching activity for continuing education

The Board reviewed an email from Ms. Matahum which asks if becoming a BLS instructor would be considered a teaching activity for continuing education.

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to defer this matter and directed EO Taniguchi to request that Ms. Matahum provide more information regarding what she is requesting, specifically, what exactly she is requesting (i.e. whether she is asking if she can receive CC units (“CCUs”) for the training to become a BLS instructor or if she is requesting CCUs for teaching the BLS course), more information regarding the course including course content and length, and the number of CCUs she is requesting.

7. Continuing Competence "CC" Course Approval Requests:

a. Ratification of CC Courses Previously Approved by the Board

Upon a motion by Mr. Turner, seconded by Vice Chair Iopa, it was voted on and unanimously carried to ratify the attached list of continuing competence courses previously approved by the Board.

b. New Requests for Review

Upon a motion by Ms. Wakabayashi, seconded by Ms. Kubota, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the following courses for Professional Practice CCUs:

INDEX #	PROGRAM TITLE (SPONSOR)	UNITS
17-001	Skin & Wound Care Skills: 3-Day Intensive Training (Sponsor: PESI, Inc.)	19
17-002	Therapeutic Strategies for Degenerative Joint Disease: Overcoming Pain and Improving Function (SEM #49949) (Sponsor: PESI, Inc.)	6.25
17-003	Emergency Sports and Primary Care Assessment (Sponsor: AdvantageCEUs.com)	6
17-004	When the Feet Hit the Ground...Everything Changes (Sponsor: Paul Drumheller, PT)	16
17-005	Understanding Pathophysiology: Its Direct Impact on Patient Care (SEM #53610) (Sponsor: PESI, Inc.)	6.25
17-006	Advances in Orthopaedic Care: It's Not Just Broken Bones (SEM #52462) (Sponsor: PESI, Inc.)	6.25
17-007	The Brain in Detail (SEM #51376) (Sponsor: PESI, Inc.)	6.25

After some discussion, upon a motion by Vice Chair Iopa, seconded by Mr. Turner, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer the following courses pending receipt of additional documents and if the additional documents are provided, to delegate approval of the course for professional practice CCUs to the EO:

- Don't Take That Tone! Overcoming the Hypotonic Myth (Sponsor: Surestep)
- The Development of Gait: Back to the Beginning - Section 1 (Sponsor: Surestep)

After some discussion, upon a motion by Ms. Kubota, seconded by Ms. Wakabayashi, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer the following courses pending receipt of additional documents:

- Gait & Posture Assessment 101 (*Sponsor: AdvantageCEUs.com*)
- The Orthopedic Initial Assessment - Keys to a Thorough Evaluation (*Sponsor: AdvantageCEUs.com*)
- GEM 1: Instrumentation and EPA Overview (*Sponsor: Aegis Therapies*)
- The Physiology of Concussion - A Change in Mindset and Practice/How to Conduct a Safe and Successful Assessment of Exercise Tolerance (*Sponsor: Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific*)
- Level One NeuroKinetic Therapy™ (*Sponsor: NKT Seminars*)
- Level Two NeuroKinetic Therapy™ (*Sponsor: NKT Seminars*)
- Level Three NeuroKinetic Therapy™ (*Sponsor: NKT Seminars*)
- The Complex Shoulder: Evaluation and Intervention for Common Conditions (SEM #55389) (*Sponsor: PESI, Inc.*)
- Fall Prevention Challenges: Real Solutions to Reduce Falls, Prevent Injuries and Limit Liability (SEM# 53760) (*Sponsor: PESI, Inc.*)
- Evidence-Based Interventions for Osteoarthritis, Meniscal/Labral Lesions, Muscle/Tendon Strains, & Tendinitis (SEM# 53641) (*Sponsor: PESI, Inc.*)

8. Continuing  
Education  
Audit Reviews:

a. Discussion regarding late submissions by audited licensees

EO Taniguchi noted that HRS §461J-10.15(d) requires that each licensee provide copies of their CC documentation to the board or its designee within fourteen calendar days after being requested to provide such documentation. He asked the Board what they wanted to do for those who do not comply within fourteen calendar days.

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that all licensees who do not comply within fourteen calendar days be referred to the Regulated Industries Complaints Office ("RICO").

b. Discussion regarding non-compliance by audited licensees

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that any licensees who either notify the Board that they did not meet the CC requirement at the time of renewal or do not respond to the Board's audit notification be referred to RICO.

Chair Shimabukuro asked what would happen after the licensee is referred to RICO and if the licensee would be required to submit proof of completing their required CC units to RICO.

EO Taniguchi said that he is not sure. If the Board would like, he can invite a member of the RICO staff to address the Board at the meeting.

By consensus, the Board asked EO Taniguchi to request that a RICO staff member attend their next meeting to discuss RICO referrals for CC violations.

c. Email from Virginia Zarsadias regarding non-compliance with continuing competence audit

The Board reviewed an email from Ms. Zarsadias in which she states "I am writing in response to the letter I received asking that I send in documentation of continuing competence. I am not able to do so." Ms. Zarsadias goes on to explain that she has not worked as a PT in Hawaii since 2011 but kept her license at the "active" status. She states that when the time of renewal came, she made several attempts to call the office but was not able to make contact with anyone so she went ahead and renewed her license online on December 31, 2016 at the "active" status, hoping to change her status to "inactive" after the deadline as she had no intention to work in Hawaii as a PT this year. She was afraid that if she allowed her license to lapse, she would have to do something drastic like take the board exam all over again.

EO Taniguchi noted that the online renewal included a certification which stated "By submitting this renewal, unless I am requesting an exemption or my license is on "inactive" status, I certify that I have met the CC requirement as contained in § 461J-10.1, HRS." He informed the Board that HRS §461J-10.14(a) requires an exemption request to be submitted prior to the expiration of the renewal period. No exemption request was received from Ms. Zarsadias prior to 12/31/16, nor was her license on "inactive" status at the time of renewal.

After some discussion, upon a motion by Vice Chair Iopa, seconded by Ms. Wakabayashi, it was voted on and unanimously carried to submit a RICO referral for Ms. Zarsadias for renewing her license at "active" status without completing the CC requirement.

d. Review of Continuing Competence Documents submitted by Audited Licenses

Vice Chair Iopa noted that some of the audits she reviewed included courses in dry needling. She asked for confirmation that the Board cannot approve courses in dry needling.

EO Taniguchi reminded the Board that they previously determined that courses relating to the dry needling technique would not be accepted towards the continued competence requirement as their scope of practice does not allow for dry needling, pursuant to § 461J-2.5, HRS.

DAG Tam noted that the Board regulates the scope of practice of PTs in Hawaii, therefore, all courses for renewal of a Hawaii PT license must be in subjects related to the practice of PT in Hawaii. This would include dry needling.

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that all continuing competence courses for renewal of a Hawaii physical therapist license must be in subjects related to the practice of a physical therapist in Hawaii, therefore, courses outside of the scope of practice of a Hawaii physical therapist will not be accepted.

Upon a motion by Ms. Wakabayashi, seconded by Ms. Kubota, it was voted on and unanimously carried to accept the audit documents submitted by the following licensees:

- KRISTINE N AMII
- CHARISSE D BACANI
- MARTHA E BANKS
- JAMES W CHANEY
- WAN T CHIK
- FRANCIS D DELA CRUZ
- GITA DHIR
- NICOLLE M KARAS
- KERI L KIM-BUSTILLOS
- NICOLA A KOYAMA
- MARILYN S LIPPERT
- DIANE H MORTON
- KRISTI L L MURAKAMI
- DIANA-MARISOL B NAJERA-LIN
- LAUREL A K NISHIMURA
- PATRICIA E SANDERS
- ELAINE A SEBEN
- WARREN G Y SHIKUMA
- AMRIK S SIDHU
- BERT C TADA
- RIE TAKAKURA
- ROSEMARIE L TAMAYO
- NELSON C H TANG
- KATHERINE MA TATSUNO
- GLEN K TERAMOTO
- AARON T TOMATANI
- CURT K WATANABE
- TIMOTHY R WATERS
- KRISTI L WEISS
- ALAN K W WONG
- SCOTT T YOKOTA
- KARIE L ZANE

By consensus, the Board directed the EO to inform the following licensees that additional documents are required for their audit:

- KAELEN C ARNOLD
- KRISTEN M BERRYMAN
- ANGELA A BESTWICK
- ANDREW C BLACK
- JASON M BURNS
- JONATHAN K CHING
- KARYN K DARLING
- JASON A DELAVAN
- AIMEE DELMAGE
- CAROLINE J ELLIS
- ERNIE J ENDAYA
- MA MANOLITA R ENDAYA
- SARAH A FOX
- JENNIFER L K  
FROST-NAKASONE
- REID T FUJIMORI
- HEATHER A GILL
- ROBYN C GRAY
- JESSICA M HO
- JODI M ISHII
- MIEKO B IWAMOTO
- SHERI Y KATAYAMA
- ERIC H KAWAGUCHI
- BRADLEY KENT KAYA
- STACIE A KELIINOI
- SYLVIE THI LE
- KEVIN T LEE
- SHARON LIESER
- KELLY M MATSUURA
- WADE M MATSUURA
- JENNIFER L MCGINNIS
- KENNETH K MORIMOTO
- REID M NAKAMURA
- STEVE T NAKAMURA
- NELSON Y OSHIRO
- MICHELLE M PACILIO
- ALEXIS T PEREIRA
- AGATHA C RAMIREZ
- MICHAEL T SCHIRF
- BLAIZE K SETO-MOOK
- ROY K SKOGSTROM
- CATHY W STORES
- SIERRA A STOUT
- GLENN M TAIRA
- DEBRA LYNNE M UECHI
- CLESI E VANENK
- HALEY A WAUD
- DAVID K WOODWARD

9. Applications:

a. Ratifications

Upon a motion by Vice Chair Iopa, seconded by Ms. Wakabayashi, it was voted on and unanimously carried to ratify the following:

Approved for Physical Therapist License

PT 4308 DANG M NGO  
PT 4309 JAIME R GRANCHELLI  
PT 4310 LANCE M PRIOR  
PT 4311 VALERIO TONELLI ENRICO  
PT 4312 NOE S SARIBAN  
PT 4313 KAYLEN T WAKUMOTO  
PT 4314 CLINT I CRAIG

PT 4315 RYAN C ENGER  
PT 4316 TYLER C ROBERTS  
PT 4317 HYUN-MI B ABRAHAMS  
PT 4318 LESLIE R SPALDING  
PT 4319 TASHA-LEIGH K YONG  
PT 4320 RYAN A MAHONEY  
PT 4321 RACHELL K OYAMA



Approved for Physical Therapist License (continued from previous page)

PT 4322 ALIA H PARVEZ	PT 4333 MARSHALL H BERKELEY
PT 4323 ASA C MILLS	PT 4334 JENNIFER J QUINT
PT 4324 RACINE E JOHNSON	PT 4335 DEREK K CHUN
PT 4325 DAWN M MATTIX	PT 4336 RACHAEL L KNOBLAUCH
PT 4326 CLAIRE J MULLINS	PT 4337 AMY C BUCKMAN
PT 4327 PATRICIA A SALLEE	PT 4338 MOLLY A WELLINGHOFF
PT 4328 ELIZABETH H THOMPSON	PT 4339 MICHAEL L CRABILL
PT 4329 DREW D DORSCHNER	PT 4340 CHRISTINE L KELLER
PT 4330 JULIE M PARANTALA	PT 4341 KRIS D GUERRERO-DAR
PT 4331 SARA E KEATING	PT 4342 RACHAEL L CUMMINS
PT 4332 KELLY H STUMPF	PT 4343 BREANNA R WALDRON

Approved for Physical Therapist Assistant License

PTA 337 STEPHANIE E HAWKINS  
PTA 338 JAMES E LOWNEY  
PTA 339 RACHEL J WACKER  
PTA 340 KATHERINE E KERSHNER  
PTA 341 TAMARA L WILBUR  
PTA 342 NICHOLAS J MIANO  
PTA 343 ROBIN B P AGNGARAYNGAY  
PTA 344 LUDMILA S BAUTISTA  
PTA 345 MICKEL E YUST  
PTA 346 DIANA JHAMAE L SIMON  
PTA 347 JONNELLE G QUERIDO  
PTA 348 CRISTEL J T LAZO

10. Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 23, 2017  
9:00 a.m.  
Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room  
King Kalakaua Building  
335 Merchant Street, First Floor  
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11. Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Chair Shimabukuro adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Taken by:

/s/ Jennifer Fong

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Jennifer Fong  
Secretary

Reviewed by:

/s/ Alan Taniguchi

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Alan Taniguchi  
Executive Officer

3/31/17

Minutes approved as is.

Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of \_\_\_\_\_.

**BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY**

*RATIFICATION LIST OF CONTINUED COMPETENCE (“CC”) COURSES PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY THE BOARD  
Tuesday, March 14, 2017*

<b>Previous INDEX #</b>	<b>INDEX #</b>	<b>PROGRAM TITLE</b>	<b>SPONSOR'S NAME</b>	<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>COURSE TYPE</b>	<b>UNITS</b>	<b>COURSE DATE</b>
16-004	17-008	Pain Types & Patterns: A Differential Diagnosis	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	6	N/A
16-005	17-009	Pharmacology for Therapists	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	5	N/A
16-006	17-010	Keys to Understanding Common Nerve Entrapments	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	5	N/A
16-007	17-011	Managing Chronic Achilles Tendon and Lower Extremity Stress Fracture Injuries	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	7	N/A
16-008	17-012	Postsurgical Sports Rehab: Knee & Shoulder - Module 1: Concepts in Postsurgical Management	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	10	N/A
16-009	17-013	Postsurgical Sports Rehab: Knee & Shoulder - Module 4: Knee Meniscus Injuries/Tendon Ruptures	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	4	N/A
16-010	17-014	Neuro Rehab – Module 1: Balance and Vestibular Dysfunction	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	6	N/A
16-011	17-015	Neuro Rehab - Module 4: Traumatic Brain Injury	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	4	N/A
16-012	17-016	Physical Therapy for Children – Module 1: Motor Control/Learning and Musculoskeletal Development	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	11	N/A
16-013	17-017	Physical Therapy for Children – Module 4: Sports Injuries in Children	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	4	N/A
16-014	17-018	Orthopedic Physical Assessment – Module 2: Lumbar Spine	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	10	N/A
16-015	17-019	Muscle Energy Techniques – Module 1: Intro & How to Use MET	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	10	N/A
16-016	17-020	Muscle Energy Techniques – Module 3: MET for Joints & Spinal Injury	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	6	N/A
16-017	17-021	What You Need to Know: Orthopedic Reasoning/Pathology/Rehab – Module 1: Cervical Spine	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	8	N/A
16-018	17-022	What You Need to Know: Orthopedic Reasoning/Pathology/Rehab – Module 4: Shoulder	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	6	N/A
16-019	17-023	Orthopedic Physical Therapy Secrets – Module 6: The Shoulder	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	6	N/A

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16-020	17-024	Orthopedic Physical Therapy Secrets – Module 10: The SI Joint/Hip and Pelvis	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	4	N/A
16-021	17-025	Orthopedic Physical Therapy Secrets – Module 11: The Knee	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	5	N/A
16-022	17-026	Geriatric Therapy – Module 1: Foundations – Part 1	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	6	N/A
16-023	17-027	Geriatric Therapy – Module 3: Examination and Intervention – Part 1	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	7	N/A
16-024	17-028	Management of Chronic Foot/Lower Leg Conditions – Module 1: Osteoarthritis, Rheumatic Diseases & Gout	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	7	N/A
16-025	17-029	Differential Diagnosis – Module 1: Intro to Screening for Referral/Physical Assessment	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	10	N/A
16-026	17-030	Differential Diagnosis – Module 6: Screening the Shoulder Complex/UE, Thorax and Lower Extremities	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	10	N/A
16-027	17-031	Cognitive and Perceptual Rehab – Module 1: Overview/General Considerations for Intervention	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	4	N/A
16-028	17-032	Assistive Technology – Module 5: Sensory Aids for Visual & Auditory Impairments	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	6	N/A
16-029	17-033	Upper Extremity and Hand Therapy – Module 1: Fundamentals – Part 1	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	5	N/A
16-030	17-034	Stroke Rehabilitation – Module 1	AdvantageCEUs.com	Professional Practice	Online	10	N/A
16-042	17-035	Skin & Wound Care: 15 Assessment and Treatment Techniques You Didn't Know	PESI, Inc.	Professional Practice	Live	6.25	6/26/17
16-040	17-036	Stretch Away Neck Pain (formerly Part 1 of "Stretch Away Muscle Pain - Upper Body")	Mary Smithson Hutto, MS, RPT, AT, LMT	Professional Practice	Online	4	N/A
16-040	17-037	Stretch Away Arm Pain (formerly Part 2 of "Stretch Away Muscle Pain - Upper Body")	Mary Smithson Hutto, MS, RPT, AT, LMT	Professional Practice	Online	4	N/A
16-041	17-038	Stretch Away Back Pain (formerly Part 1 of "Stretch Away Muscle Pain - Lower Body")	Mary Smithson Hutto, MS, RPT, AT, LMT	Professional Practice	Online	4	N/A
16-041	17-039	Stretch Away Leg Pain (formerly Part 2 of "Stretch Away Muscle Pain - Lower Body")	Mary Smithson Hutto, MS, RPT, AT, LMT	Professional Practice	Online	4	N/A