CORONAVIRUS UPDATE - NEVADA PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD

The Nevada Physical Therapy Board continues to monitor local and national events as it relates to the emerging outbreak of coronavirus. On March 17, 2020, Governor Sisolak implemented COVID-19 Risk Mitigation initiatives to help slow the spread of coronavirus in our state. According to Governor Sisolak "Only essential services should remain open – such as fire, police, transit, and health care services, in addition to businesses that provide food, shelter, or social services for disadvantaged populations."

Physical Therapists and Physical Therapist Assistants are encouraged to use their professional judgment to determine when, where, and how to provide care, with the understanding that this is not the optimal environment for care, for anyone involved. Licensees that continue to deliver care are encouraged to follow CDC protocols to help prevent exposure and minimize transmission of the virus.

Please visit the following websites to find more information on the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:
 http://gov.nv.gov/News/Press/Press Releases 2020/
- Interim Guidance for Healthcare Facilities: Preparing for Community Transmission of COVID-19 in the United States: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/healthcare-facilities/guidance-hcf.html
- o World Health Organization: https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019
- Nevada Governor Steve Sisolak Press Releases:
 http://gov.nv.gov/News/Press/Press Releases 2020/
- Nevada Department of Health and Human Services: http://dhhs.nv.gov/
- Southern Nevada Health District: https://www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/coronavirus/
- Washoe County Health District: <u>https://www.washoecounty.us/health/</u>

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