

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS
7570 Norman Rockwell Lane, Suite 230
Las Vegas, NV 89143
(702) 876-5535

Dear Applicant:

Enclosed please find the application for licensure in physical therapy in our Great State of Nevada! Please note that Physical Therapists and Physical Therapist's Assistants must have a Nevada license to practice physical therapy in Nevada.

Per Board policy, fingerprint submissions expire 6 months after receipt unless an application is received. Any items received in the Board office towards the licensure process (transcripts, etc). will only be held for 6 months from the date of receipt, unless an application is received. Board staff will not verify receipt of any items received until such time an application has been received by the Board.

Applications not completed within one year of receipt automatically expire. It is in your best interest to complete the requirements in a timely manner.

Please note that the Board office will only work directly with the applicant during the application process. We will not discuss your application or status of licensure with prospective employers or recruiters. This is to protect your privacy and to avoid confusion.

After mailing your application, please allow 10 days before contacting the Board for status. This will allow staff sufficient time to create your database file and permanent file. Please make all inquiries for application status via email at ptapplication@govmail.state.nv.us. Be sure to include your full name and last four numbers of your social security number in your email. You may also call the Board office for status.

The application process takes **approximately** 3-4 weeks for endorsement candidates using the electronic submission fingerprinting option, and **approximately** 6-8 weeks using the hard card fingerprinting option. These are only estimates and not a guarantee of a licensure date.

Please update the Board with any changes to your residential address or phone numbers. Also, when you secure employment in Nevada please provide the name of the Nevada facility, completed address, phone and fax numbers. You submit updates via fax, mail, or to the licensing assistant via the email provided above. Upon licensure, a copy of your license will be faxed to your Nevada facility of record (if provided) which will allow you to work. Please post a copy of the license until you have received the original in the mail.

If you have any questions, please contact us. We will be pleased to assist you in any way we can.

Sincerely,

The Nevada State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE
NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS
LICENSE APPLICATION**

**ALL INFORMATION REQUESTED MUST BE PRINTED AND COMPLETE
APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED IF ILLEGIBLE OR INCOMPLETE**

Application - Page One

- 1) Complete all information as indicated.
 - a) High School information is only required for P.T.A. applicants.
 - b) List all colleges attended, even if a degree was not obtained.

Application - Page Two

- 1) Physical Therapy Experience. If a new or soon-to-be graduate, list your clinical affiliations. If you are a new graduate who has worked since graduation, list your work history and clinical affiliations. Please provide complete addresses and phone numbers.
- 2) Answer all questions listed, including child support section.
- 3) If you have ever been arrested, charged or convicted of a violation of a Federal Law, State Law or Municipal Ordinance and have had your **records sealed**, you may answer "no" to these questions. However, you are *required* to submit a letter to the Board explaining the incident(s) in detail (dates, charges and outcomes). As a licensing body, we are authorized by Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 179.259(3) to receive sealed criminal records. NRS 640.160(1)(a) and 640.160(2)(g) allow the Board to deny a license if an applicant is found to have attempted to obtain a license by material misrepresentation. It is in your best interest to disclose all arrests, charges and convictions.
- 4) Complete the physical description section and attach a photograph taken within 60 days. The photo must be at least 2 x 2, no larger than 3 x 3. A passport photo usually works best.

Application - Page Three

- 1) Review the information provided.
- 2) Indicate exactly how you want your name to appear on your permanent license (first, middle initial and last name, or first and last only, etc). This must be your legal name, no nicknames.

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- 1) Complete the top section in the presence of a Notary Public. The Notary Public does not have to be in the State of Nevada.

**Nevada State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners
REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ENDORSEMENT APPLICANT**

Professional and Personal References. Provide two professional references letters, and one personal reference letter. The reference letters **must be in sealed envelopes and submitted along with your application. Applications received without the reference letters will be returned.** The following criteria must be followed when submitting reference letters:

SUBMIT TWO LETTERS FROM:

- ❖ Licensed physical therapists who can attest to your clinical skills as a physical therapist within the last two years. (*new grads can use one supervisor from a clinical affiliation if needed*)
- ❖ And NOT related to you by blood or marriage.
- ❖ And NOT professor/educator/classmate from any school you attended.

To be accepted, the reference letters must:

- 1) Be originally signed letters addressed to the Board;
- 2) Include the start and end month/year of the work experience;
- 3) Include information on the clinical skills of the applicant;
- 4) Be typed, dated and signed.
- 5) Include a phone number.

Professional letterhead is requested, but not required.

SUBMIT ONE LETTER FROM A PERSON:

- ❖ Outside the profession of physical therapy and has not worked with you in a health-care setting.
- ❖ And competent to address your moral character.
- ❖ And NOT professor/educator/classmate from any school you attended.
- ❖ And NOT related to you by blood or marriage.

The personal reference letter must not contain any information on clinical skills; must include information on the applicant's moral character; must be dated, signed and include a phone number. A typed letter is preferred.

License Verification. Complete the top section of the form. Mail to each state in which you are now, or were previously, **licensed in any health-care related field.** We will not accept faxes of verifications, nor will the Board verify your license on-line. We require original license verifications received directly from the issuing bodies in sealed envelopes.

Score Transfer. Complete the form and mail it along with the related fee directly to the FSBPT. You may also transfer your exam score on the FSBPT web site at www.fsbpt.net/pt.

Transcripts. For every college attended (whether or not a degree was awarded), original transcripts in sealed envelopes must be mailed to the Board office. **P.T.A.'s** must also submit an original high school transcript in a sealed envelope.

Jurisprudence Exam. Complete the enclosed Jurisprudence (Law) Examination and return it to the Board office with the completed application. We will return a copy of the graded examination to you. Please use the enclosed Practice Act (Nevada Revised Statutes and Nevada Administrative Code) when taking this examination. All of the answers can be found in the Practice Act.

Nevada State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FOREIGN-TRAINED APPLICANT
(applicants who attended non-accredited programs)

H1B-Visa Applicants and U.S. Citizen Applicants (or other applicants holding a US Social Security #)

Submit an original evaluation of credentials from the FCCPT that states the education of the applicant is equivalent in content to an accredited educational program for physical therapy in the United States. *This is required whether or not you hold a license in another jurisdiction.*

Foreign Credentialing Commission on Physical Therapy (FCCPT):
511 Wythe Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
(703) 684-8406 phone
(703) 684-8715 fax
www.fccpt.org

In addition to the requirements above and in the application packet, all Foreign-Trained applicants must–

- 1) Submit proof satisfactory to the Board of your licensure to practice as a physical therapist without limitation in the country in which you were trained. Send a copy of the Verification of License form to the licensing Board for completion. If the applicant provides proof that he was a citizen of the United States on the date of his graduation from physical therapy school, this requirement may be waived. The applicant must prove, to the satisfaction of the Board, they were a US citizen on the date of graduation. The Board will not accept copies from FCCPT or any other entity. The verification must be an original document in a sealed envelope as issued by your licensing jurisdiction. *This is required whether or not you hold a license in another jurisdiction*
- 2) Unless your native language is English **and** you graduated from a program of physical therapy that was conducted entirely in the English language, demonstrate proficiency in the English language by successfully completing the language tests administered by Educational Testing Service. *This is required whether or not you hold a license in another jurisdiction.* Our Board's institution code is 9882. Passing scores on the computer-based tests are as follows:

Reading	21	Speaking	26
Listening	18	Writing	24

Scores more than two years old will not be reported to the Board. If your score is more than 2 years old, please contact Educational Testing Service to re-test. The Board will not accept copies from FCCPT or any other entity. Scores must be received directly from Educational Testing Service.

Educational Testing Service
Post Office Box 4151
Princeton, NJ 08541-6151
(609) 771-7100
www.ets.org

If an applicant from a non-accredited school has not worked in the US for at least 1-year full time, an appearance before the Board will be required to address the request for licensure.

**STATE OF NEVADA
BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS**

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY - FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN THE APPLICATION BEING RETURNED

PHYSICAL THERAPIST LICENSURE APPLICATION

I, _____
 FIRST NAME MIDDLE NAME LAST NAME MAIDEN (OR OTHER NAME USED)

herewith apply for licensure as a physical therapist in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 640, Nevada Revised Statutes and Chapter 640, Nevada Administrative Code.

Place of Birth _____ Date of Birth _____
 CITY STATE MONTH-DAY-YEAR

Mailing Address: _____
 STREET CITY STATE ZIP

Phone Numbers: HOME _____ CELL _____

Email Address: _____

Are you a citizen of the United States? [] Yes [] No Social Security Number: _____
(required)

EDUCATION				
TYPE	NAME	LOCATION	DATES	DEGREE EARNED
HIGH SCHOOL				
PT SCHOOL				
COLLEGE				
COLLEGE				

Photo of applicant taken within 60 days of application must be attached here. Minimum 2 x 2 inches, maximum 3 x 3. Photo must clearly show facial features.

HEIGHT _____ WEIGHT _____
 (feet / inches)

EYE COLOR _____ HAIR COLOR _____

Identifying Marks: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Physical Therapy Experience

List your three most recent Physical Therapy Experiences. Indicate type of practice. List your position.

DATES From/To	Name	Complete Address	Phone	Type	Posit.

Please note that any absence of practice for two years or longer, or having not practiced in the US for at least 1 year full-time, will require an appearance before the Board.

Please list the information for your Physical Therapy Examination:

_____ City(s)

_____ Date(s)

List the state(s) of previously held and current licenses in Physical Therapy and/or other health care fields:

Child Support Information: Please mark the appropriate response (failure to mark one of the three will result in denial of the application):

_____ I am not subject to a court order for the support of a child.

_____ I am subject to a court order for the support of one or more children and am in compliance with the order or am in compliance with a plan approved by the district attorney or other public agency enforcing the order for the repayment of the amount owed pursuant to the order, or;

_____ I am subject to a court order for the support of one or more children and am not in compliance with the order or a plan approved by the district attorney or other public agency enforcing the order for the repayment of the amount owed pursuant to the order.

Has your application, license, registration, or certification to practice physical therapy in any jurisdiction ever been denied, revoked, suspended, cited, fined, surrendered, restricted, limited or placed on probation? [] Yes [] No.

Have you ever been reprimanded or fined in relation to the practice of physical therapy? [] Yes [] No.

Is there any action pending? [] Yes [] No.

Have you ever had a problem related to the habitual use of alcohol or drugs or been diagnosed and/or treated for addiction? [] Yes [] No.

Have you ever been arrested for a violation of a Federal Law, State Law, or Municipal Ordinance? [] Yes [] No. (See instruction sheet for information regarding sealed records)

Have you ever been charged with a violation of a Federal Law, State Law, or Municipal Ordinance? [] Yes [] No. (See instruction sheet for information regarding sealed records)

Have you ever been convicted of a violation of a Federal Law, State Law, or Municipal Ordinance? [] Yes [] No. (See instruction sheet for information regarding sealed records)

Have you ever been diagnosed, treated or hospitalized for a psychiatric or mental health condition that will result in your not being able to practice the essential job functions of a licensed physical therapist/physical therapist's assistant? [] Yes [] No.

Have you ever been diagnosed as having a physical or medical condition which will result in your not being able to practice the essential job functions of a licensed physical therapist/physical therapist's assistant? [] Yes [] No

A "Yes Answer" to any of the above questions will affect the processing of your application and may result in a required appearance before the Board and the issuance of a limited or restricted license, or denying your request for licensure. Failure to answer truthfully is grounds for a fraudulent application and may result in denial of your request for licensure.

If the answer is yes to any of the above questions, give details on separate sheet.

Applicant Name: _____

LICENSING FEES

Application Fee for the Physical Therapist

\$300 (Non-refundable)

All of the above licensing fees are payable directly to the Nevada State Board of Physical Therapy. We accept personal checks, money orders and cashier's checks. We do not accept credit cards or cash.

SCORE TRANSFER FEE

Transfer your national physical therapy examination score at

<https://www.fsbpt.org/OurServices/LicenseeServices/ScoreTransferService.aspx>

When licensed, please indicate exactly how you want your name to appear on your license

_____ (do not list a nickname or degree or title)

Before you mail in your application and materials, please verify that you have:

- 1) Contacted the FCCPT for the credentials evaluation.
- 2) Contacted ETS to schedule the language tests or have transferred your scores.
- 3) Completed the application legibly and completely;
- 4) Included the required references;
- 5) Included the appropriate fee;
- 6) Included the completed jurisprudence examination;
- 7) Retained the application instructions;
- 8) Requested the fingerprinting information;
- 9) Included the transcripts or have ordered them;
- 10) Ordered the license verifications;
- 11) Transferred your National Physical Therapy Examination score.

MAIL THIS APPLICATION & FEE, JURISPRUDENCE EXAM, & REFERENCE LETTERS TO:

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS
7570 NORMAN ROCKWELL, SUITE 230
LAS VEGAS, NV 89143
(702) 876-5535

AFFIDAVIT OF _____
(NAME OF APPLICANT)

STATE OF _____)

COUNTY OF _____)

_____, being duly sworn, and under penalty of perjury, state: (Name of Applicant)

1. That affiant has personal knowledge of the information contained herein and could testify to same if called upon to do so.
2. That affiant is applying for a license to practice physical therapy in the State of Nevada.
3. That the information contained in the application to practice physical therapy is true and correct.
4. That the photograph attached to the application to practice physical therapy is a true and correct image of the affiant taken within the last sixty days.

(Signature of Applicant)

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me

this _____ day of _____ 20_____.

Notary Public

My commission expires _____ 20_____.

BOARD MEMBER APPLICATION REVIEW SECTION

Approve Disapprove _____
Chairman Date

Approve Disapprove _____
Vice Chairman Date

Approve Disapprove _____
Secretary/Treasurer Date

Approve Disapprove _____
Board Member Date

Approve Disapprove _____
Board Member Date

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

JURISPRUDENCE EXAMINATION FOR APPLICANTS

Per Nevada Administrative Code 640.040, all applicants for licensure must complete and pass a jurisprudence examination. These questions cover the provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and Nevada Administrative Code (NAC), Chapters 640. These provisions are known as the Practice Act.

The answers to these questions can be found by reviewing the Practice Act. Please follow the application instructions to download the Practice Act from the Board's website.

Circle one answer for each question. ***Return the original completed examination to the Board with your application.*** The examination will be reviewed by the Board office and you will be mailed a graded copy of the examination.

A minimum of 15 correct answers is required to pass this examination.

1. A physical therapist may supervise a maximum of _____ physical therapist's assistants.
 - a. 1
 - b. 2
 - c. 3
 - d. 4

2. All licensees must report any changes to their residential address or primary professional address within _____ days after the change.
 - a. 30
 - b. 60
 - c. 45
 - d. 15

3. All licensees must report residential address changes and primary professional addresses to the Board:
 - a. verbally
 - b. in writing
 - c. in person
 - d. All of the above

Applicant Name: _____

4. Unless renewed, all licenses expire annually on _____.
- a. December 31st
 - b. the licensee's birthday
 - c. July 31st
 - d. June 30th
5. Licensees are required to obtain _____ units of continuing education for the annual renewal of their license.
- a. 1.0 units (10 hours)
 - b. .8 units (8 hours)
 - c. 1.5 units (15 hours)
 - d. 2.0 units (20 hours)
6. A licensee shall, within _____ after providing treatment to a patient, indicate in the record of the patient the treatment that was provided.
- a. 72 hours
 - b. 5 days
 - c. 14 days
 - d. 24 hours
7. The Board has the authority to refuse to issue a license, refuse to renew a license, suspend or revoke a license, place a licensee on probation and/or impose an administrative fine of up to \$5,000. Under what section is this located?
- a. NAC 640.680
 - b. NRS 640.100
 - c. NRS 640.160
 - d. None of the above
8. Immediate supervision means that a person is _____ to give aid, direction and instruction to the person he is supervising.
- a. physically on the premises
 - b. present and immediately available within the treatment area
 - c. within 30 miles of the facility
 - d. available by cell-phone

Applicant Name: _____

9. What does the term "primary professional address" mean?
- a. Address where the licensee is practicing on any given day.
 - b. Address where a licensee practices physical therapy or carries out any other activities relating to physical therapy for the majority of his working hours within a consecutive 30-day period.
 - c. Address where the licensee works for the majority of time within the calendar year.
 - d. Address where a licensee practices physical therapy or carries out any other activities relating to physical therapy for the majority of his working hours within a consecutive 60-day period.
10. A physical therapist who supervises a physical therapist's assistant who provides treatment to a patient shall:
- a. provide the required treatment and reevaluate the patient not less than every fifth day of treatment or within 10 days, whichever comes first.
 - b. provide the required treatment and reevaluate the patient not less than every tenth day of treatment or within 30 days, whichever comes first.
 - c. provide the required treatment and reevaluate the patient not less than every seventh day of treatment or within 21 days, whichever comes first.
 - d. provide the required treatment and reevaluate the patient not less than every fifteenth day of treatment or within 30 days, whichever comes first.
11. A physical therapist who supervises a physical therapist's assistant who provides treatment to a patient shall provide an evaluation before the patient is discharged, based upon the availability of the patient. Under what section is this located?
- a. NAC 640.680
 - b. NAC 640.055
 - c. NRS 640.162
 - d. NAC 640.592
12. A licensee can be disciplined for failure to cooperate in an investigation.
- a. True
 - b. False

Applicant Name: _____

13. A licensee is legally required to report to the Board any unlicensed, unauthorized, unqualified or unethical practice of physical therapy.
- True
 - False
14. A licensee shall prominently display the original current license issued to him by the Board at his primary professional address during the hours the place is open for business. Under what section can this provision be found?
- NAC 640.800
 - NRS 640.100
 - NAC 640.560
 - NAC 640.120
15. A licensee shall provide medical records to a patient within _____ business days after receipt of a written request.
- 5
 - 10
 - 30
 - 45
16. In what section can you find information regarding the term "professionally incompetent"?
- NAC 640.670
 - NRS 640.024
 - NAC 640.550
 - NRS 640.220
17. In what section can you find the term "unearned fee" defined?
- NAC 640.985
 - NAC 640.340
 - NAC 640.670
 - none of the above
18. A licensee shall not engage in sexual activities with a patient unless:
- the patient consents to the relationship
 - there was a preexisting relationship with that person
 - the employer agrees to the relationship
 - all of the above

Applicant Name: _____

19. To remain in compliance, after the annual renewal period, current licenses MUST be posted:

- a. upon receipt by the licensee.
- b. on August 1.
- c. within 60 days of renewal.
- d. at the discretion of the employer.

20. A physical therapist's technician:

- a. means an unlicensed person who performs certain limited activities at the direction of the physical therapist.
- b. must be immediately supervised by a physical therapist when the physical therapist's technician performs treatments related to physical therapy which have been directed by the physical therapist.
- c. may not perform any activity which requires the unique skills, knowledge and judgment of a physical therapist.
- d. All of the above.

I hereby attest that I answered the above questions, without assistance from any entity or individual. I further attest that I reviewed the provided Practice Act to answer the above questions.

Print Name

Date

Signature

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT

Complete the top section of this form and mail to the Board of each state in which you are now or have ever been licensed to practice Physical Therapy AND/OR any healthcare related field. *Contact the jurisdiction to ask if there is fee for this service.*
(Make copies if needed)

Print Full Name _____
Address _____
City, State Zip _____
License # _____
SIGNATURE _____

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY AN OFFICIAL OF THE BOARD

This is to certify that the records of the Board of _____
of the State of _____ indicate the following:

Name of Licensee: _____
License Number: _____
License Type _____
(i.e. PT, PTA, CNA, etc.) _____
Effective Date: _____
Expiration Date: _____
License Status: _____
National Exam: (yes/no) _____
Licensed By: (exam/endorsement) _____
Disciplinary Action: _____

If yes, please provide information and supporting documentation.

BOARD SEAL

Signed: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

LICENSING BOARD, Please return the completed form, or equivalent verification, to:

Nevada State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners
7570 Norman Rockwell Lane, Suite 230
Las Vegas, NV 89143