

NEWSLETTER



Vision:

The Nevada Physical Therapy Board will be the leader in public protection, promotion of wellness, and access to care.

Mission:

The Nevada Physical Therapy Board protects and promotes the health and safety of Nevadans by pursuing physical therapy practice through education, communication, licensing, legislation, regulation, and enforcement.



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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As we enter the fall season, and the end of triple-digit temperatures, my thoughts go out to the many individuals, organizations, and communities that have been affected by COVID-19. In 2020, we were all confronted with extraordinary challenges that we’ve never encountered before. Physical therapy was deemed an essential service, and the Board continued to serve applicants, licensed physical therapists, and physical therapist assistants in the provision of critical services to consumers of physical therapy. As we continue to monitor the impact of COVID-19, I am excited to announce that the Board will soon be launching a social media profile to help share timely information and regular updates. More details will follow.

Charles D. Harvey, MPA, Executive Director

FISCAL YEAR 2020 IN REVIEW

ACTIVE LICENSEES

- Physical Therapists: **2,186**
- Physical Therapist Assistants: **794**



- 8** - Board Meetings were held.
- 380** - New licenses were issued.
- 89%** - Licenses renewed online.

CONTINUING COMPETENCY

- Courses Reviewed: **1,182**
- Courses Approved: **1,123**
- Random Audits Conducted: **280**



- 6** - Advisory Committee on Continuing Competency (ACCC) Meetings were held.

COMPLAINTS & COMPLIANCE INSPECTIONS

- New Complaints Received: **17**
- Complaints Resolved: **3**
- Active Complaints: **14**



- 17** - Cases were closed
- 4** - New Inspectors were hired and trained.

OTHER BOARD ACTIVITIES & EFFORTS



Board staff conducted outreach with UNLV physical therapy students on licensing requirements and the practice act.



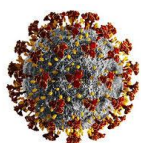
Board members and staff participated in educational training and conferences offered by the NV Attorney General's Office and the FSBPT.



The Board adopted standards of practice regarding Dry Needling in physical therapy practice.

- 2** - Board members were appointed to FSBPT Task Forces.

- Sherise Smith - Boundary Violations
- Jennifer Nash - Impaired Practitioner



The Board issued COVID-19 guidance and temporary exemptions for license renewals.



- 3** - Newsletters were published.

CONTINUING COMPETENCY UPDATE

The Nevada Physical Therapy Board with guidance from the Advisory Committee on Continuing Competency (ACCC) updated the Clinical Competence Model as of 8/1/2020. A total of 15 hours of continuing competency activities are still required for license renewal.

Nevada Physical Therapy Board Continuing Competence Model

	<i>Option A</i>	<i>Option B</i>	<i>Option C</i>
<i>1. Certified Activities</i>	15 CCUs		
<i>2. Advanced Competency Activities</i>		15 CCIs	>7 CCUs
<i>3. Professional Activities</i>			<8 CCUS

Most Notable Updates!

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. APTA NEXT and CSM national courses are automatically ACCC approved courses. 2. Non-clinical courses are eligible for ACCC approval – up to 8 max/yr. 3. Pro-Bono, primary clinical instructor and college coursework have increased value. 4. Participation in Residency/ Fellowship are eligible for full 15 units for one yr. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Passing score of ABPTS certification exam valued at 15 CCUs. 6. New CCU Verification Form to properly document advanced competency and professional activities found on the Board website. 7. CCU Documentation Table provided on the Board website to clearly explain documentation required at license renewal. |
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Tips to Keep in Mind when Choosing your next Continuing Competency Course

- Course entailing only self-paced reading of textbooks/ Chapters of textbooks/ Journal article with post-test will be denied.
- Courses not taught face to face MUST have a post-test component.
- The course must be sufficiently rigorous to be contemporary and beyond/above entry level physical therapist or physical therapist assistant practice in any areas of physical therapy practice.
- Check out the ACCC White Paper at: <http://ptboard.nv.gov/CE/> (a.k.a. course approval guidelines) for more details.
- Licensees can submit for course approval from ACCC committee using the form on the Board website (<http://ptboard.nv.gov/uploadedFiles/ptboardnvgov/content/CE/CourseReviewApplication.pdf>) .

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY LICENSED PHYSICAL THERAPISTS (June - September 2020)

NAME		LICENSE NUMBER
LAST	FIRST, MI	
Perry	Lexi F.	4274
Ubalde	Leonard J.	4275
Goins	Bradley	4276
Liebert	Lauren M.	4277
Clapper	Paige E.	4278
Besa	Tristan	4279
Omohundro	Kristen E.	4280
Rosen	Stephanie	4281
Kubo	Michaela	4282
Hung	Victor	4283
Luna	Madison C.	4284
Williams	Quinn A.	4285
Pacuk	Trevor J.	4286
Wise	Morgan	4287
Acosta	Brendan	4288
Cooper	Joshua	4289
Cooklin	Rachel	4290
Wagner	Patrick	4291
Vollbrecht	Samuel	4292
Stenberg	Jessica A.	4293
Cruz	Sofia	4294
Templeton	Rebecca C.	4295
Basterrechea	Jon	4296
Shepherd	Steven	4297
Cummins	Allina	4298
Wulf	Cailey A.	4299
Duncan	Meagan E.	4300
Yuskov	Nikita	4301
Ferraro	Amanda	4302
Moreland	Caitlin	4303
Frazier	Colton Anthony	4304
Allman	Kristin E.	4305
Mansoor	Alexis M.	4306
Clitus	Cezena	4307
Hobson	Peyton	4308
Tingey	James W.	4309
Khuu	Chris	4310

NAME		LICENSE NUMBER
LAST	FIRST, MI	
Hill	Stephen	4311
Charm	Holliann	4312
Klein	Eric	4313
Mlotkowski	Anthony	4314
May	Nathaniel M.	4315
Jalapit	Christene M.	4316
Cormier	Emily	4317
Baradi	Maverick	4318
Yoon	Phil	4319
Mann	David Anthony	4320
Thorsen	Ryan Alexander	4321
Morch	Amanda N	4322
Moretti	Samantha A.	4323
Lorch	Jeffrey	4324
Bautista	Clarence	4325
Lukehart	Sarah Kay	4326
Yoon	Nina Rostrup	4327
McLean	Gillian Ashley	4328
Gorton	Jennifer N	4329
Trujillo	Elizabeth V.	4330
Yim	Ryan	4331
Papin	Mary Ellen R.	4332
Desoasido	Joy	4333
Sunell	Tiffany A.	4334
Valle	Dallan J.	4335
Smalling	Matthew	4336
Garlisi	William A.	4337
Castro	Sarah E.	4338
Hagberg	Sonya	4339
Jabaripour	Behnaz	4340
McConnell	Zachary James	4341
Downing	Kelsey	4342
Mullapudi	Vijaya	4343
Chehrehrazi	Mahshid	4344
Bressler	April	4345
Van De Griend	Wanda	4346
Lopez	Edwin Efren	4347

NAME		LICENSE NUMBER
LAST	FIRST, MI	
Tran	Richard	4348
Javate	Adam	4349
Khan	Affan	4350
Mitchell	Alison	4351
Hissong	Brandon	4352
Bremer	Katherine	4353
Seadler	Laura	4354
McCombs	Benjiman	4355
Umali	Raymond Navalta	4356
Wright Avila	Sara Elizabeth	4357
McArthur	Matthew K.	4358
Oyer	Xela	4359
Lommori	Makenna	4360
Cozad	Mia	4361
Macachor	Christelle Anne Therese Cusit	4362
Freschi	Julie	4363
Krause	Thomas	4364
Cardon	Colton J.	4365
Choi	Qun	4366
Wilson	Christopher	4367
Gerlach	Alexandra Maje	4368
Bhakta	Pooja	4369
Morris	James	4370
Dent	William M	4371
Grocott	Jessica	4372
Malmquist III	Carl Y	4373
Motakef	Ava	4374
Gevertzman	Michael	4375
Hutapea	Joshua K	4376
Nesbitt	Bradley	4377
Tuazon	Krizelle lou S.	4378
Sendelbach Hasse	Sandra	4379
Yoshiura	Taylor Keiko	4380
Eskandari	Celine Lisa	4381
Nasternak	Nathan Michael	4382
McCloud	Karlee F	4383

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NAME		LICENSE NUMBER
LAST	FIRST, MI	
Stattelman	Cory A.	4384
Denes	Emily	4385
Balen	Jasmine Nicole	4386
Perez	Joshua	4388
Osias	Joel	4389
Choi	Daelim	4390
Pobre	Briccio G.	4391
Tirona	Maria Rita Veronica	4392
Thornton	Wesley	4393
Pirkle	Connie	4394
Scanlon	Timothy W.	4395
Mahinan	Jeffrey P.	4397
Perez	Aundrea	4399
Heuer	Nancy	4400
Shattuck	Rianna A.	4401
Heartman	Alison	4402
Mitson	Ashley	4403
Weir	Sandra D.	4404
Ghayal	Priya D.	4405
Mikla	Anthony	4406
Castor	Jenna G.	4408
Kester	Sara	4409
Espanol	Katrina	4410
Florence	Judith N.	4411
Gajudo	Karyle	4412

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY LICENSED PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANTS

(June - September 2020)

NAME		LICENSE NUMBER
LAST	FIRST, MI	
Ainsworth	Tiffany R.	A-1293
Cooper	Gary R	A-1294
Black	Bryan Taylor	A-1295
Carranza	Rebecca A.	A-1296
Kelly	Anna M.	A-1297
Aylestock	Samuel	A-1298
Kimball	Koree L.	A-1299
August	Hailey	A-1300
Gamboa	Maria I.	A-1301
Martinez	Eduardo	A-1302
Klein	Messina	A-1303
Tran	Kevin	A-1304
Laborete	Jesper John	A-1305
Diaz	Yaelene	A-1306
OrtizCruz	Leslie Pumehana	A-1307
Del Pilar	Christine Marie Naval	A-1308
Henry	Ashley N.	A-1309
Velez	Denise	A-1310
De Lara	Shierman Cruto	A-1311
Nguyen	Michelle	A-1312
Dalope	Kelvin	A-1313
Eugenio	Dennis Flores	A-1314
Nguyen	Riley	A-1316
Tejeda	Shasta	A-1317
Otado	Frances Alleli	A-1318
Allred	Jake	A-1319
Pereira	Corinne Anne	A-1320
Metz Gatrell	E Lisa	A-1321
Kabahit	Jonathan	A-1322
Harrington	Barbara	A-1323
Echols	Jamie D.	A-1324
Kojakehyanyan	Michelle	A-1325
Moore	Hailey	A-1326
Piamonte	Maryann P.	A-1327



RENEWAL REMINDER

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR LICENSE IS ACTIVE

Each license is active for one year, and must be renewed prior to its expiration date. Licensees may complete their renewal 60 days prior to expiration by visiting <http://ptboard.nv.gov> and selecting "License Renewal". Licenses may be renewed online and paid via credit card, or by downloading the mail-in renewal and paying by check.

TWO RENEWAL PERIODS

- Licenses issued prior to October 1, 2017 expire at midnight on July 31st each year.
- Licenses issued on or after October 1, 2017 expire 1 year after their date of issuance.

COVID-19 EXTENSIONS

Licensees who received a COVID-19 extension are reminded to renew their licenses by the end of the extension date provided in their letter from the Board.

NOT RENEWING THIS YEAR?

Please notify the Board if you do not wish to renew your license this year and would like your status changed to "Expired".

BOARD POSITION OPENING

The Board encourages licensed physical therapists to consider applying for a position on the Nevada Physical Therapy Board. The Board consists of five members appointed by the Governor for two-year terms. Members serve the critical role of enforcing the provisions of the Practice Act (NRS/NAC 640), and set and enforce criteria for licensure and practice by physical therapist and physical therapist assistants. The Board holds 6-8 meetings annually, along with committee meetings and conferences. Interested individuals may apply by contacting the Office of the Governor Board's & Commission's page at <https://gov.nv.gov/Board/Home Board/>.

PETITION FOR CRIMINAL HISTORY REVIEW

A criminal conviction is not an automatic barrier to licensure. Individuals interested in pursuing a physical therapy career may request that the board review their criminal history to determine if the person is eligible for licensure, based solely on the person's criminal background up to that point in time. Pursuant to NAC 622.085, a person with a criminal history may petition the board at any time including, without limitation, before obtaining any education or paying any fee required to obtain a license from the board. The petition process includes the completion of the Petition for Criminal History Review Form, submission of court documents, a criminal history background check and a fee of \$50. The Board will inform the petitioner of the determination of whether the person's criminal history will disqualify them from obtaining a license within 90 days of receipt of the petition.

ADDRESS CHANGES

Nevada Administrative Code 640.061 requires that licensees notify the Board, in writing, of any change in residential or professional address within 30 days after the change. Please ensure that the Board has your up-to-date information (including email and telephone) so we may communicate with you in an efficient and timely manner

ROUTINE INSPECTIONS

Each year, the Board conducts inspections to determine compliance with all provisions of the Practice Act. The inspection includes a chart audit to ensure the following requirements are being met:

1. Initial examination, including identification of a problem list, impairment list, or some form of specific assessment related to a patient's physical therapy diagnosis [NAC 640.590(b)(c)].
2. Plan of care including goals, presented with the initial evaluation [NAC 640.590(c)].
3. PT assessing patient every 7th day of treatment or every 21 days (whichever comes first) [NAC 640.592(d)].
4. Evidence of patient program review and/or progression [NAC 640.590(g)(h)(i)(j)].
5. Evidence of discharge evaluation, report, or documentation reflecting patient discharge [NAC 640.590(i)].
6. Notes for care provided are completed with 72 hours of visit [NAC 640.610(1b)].

HOW ARE WE DOING?

The Board has a link on its website for comments, suggestions, and general feedback. In our continuous effort to improve our site and board operations, we look forward to your thoughts on how we can better tailor information that meets your needs.

The messages are monitored by the Board Chair. Please visit us at www.ptboard.nv.gov. You can find the link under the contact tab or at <http://ptboard.nv.gov/Contact/>.

2020 Board Meeting Schedule



January 7, 2020

February 21 - 23, 2020

March 6, 2020

May 8, 2020

July 31, 2020

September 11, 2020

November 13, 2020

Physical Therapy Practice Act



NRS 640: Nevada Revised Statutes

Governs the profession of physical therapy in the State of Nevada.

NAC 640: Nevada Administrative Code

The regulation or rules that further define and explain the statutes.

NEVADA PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD BOARD MEMBERS



BRIAN J. FEARNLEY, PT, MPT
Board Chair
[Term: 12/16/15 - 10/31/18; 11/01/18 - 10/31/21]



JENNIFER M. NASH, PT, DPT
Vice Chair
[Term: 11/1/18 - 10/31/21]



EATHAN O'BRYANT
Secretary/Treasurer, Public Member
[Term: 03/19/18 - 10/31/20; 11/1/20 - 10/31/22]



SHERISE R. SMITH, PT, MSPT, CBIS
Member, Previous Board Chair
[Term: 11/1/14 - 10/31/17; 11/1/17 - 10/31/20]



LAURA CERAME, PTA
PTA Member
[Term: 03/17/20 - 10/31/20]

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR



2020 has shaped up to be a something none of us could have imagined. The practice of physical therapy won't be the same for a long time to come, if ever. Throughout these challenging times your Executive Director and board staff have kept the day-to-day operations moving along efficiently and haven't missed a beat. Any licensee experiencing difficulties due to the pandemic is encouraged to reach out and contact the board office.

We have once again updated our NACs (regulations) to reflect the changes that have taken place over the past few years which we hope to be ratified in the coming months. We'll be working hard during the next legislative session to bring the PT Compact to Nevada granting portability to your license and opening up access to the people of Nevada.

This is your board and we need feedback to be an effective board. Please email me, utilizing the "How are we doing?" link on the board website, or the board office with any questions or comments.



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PTA MEMBER

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