

INDIANA PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD
AGENDA
November 6, 2024 at 10:00 A.M.
402 W Washington Street CC-1
Indianapolis IN 46204

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM 10:04 A.M.

Board Members Present: Megan Certo, Heather Freeman, Therese Eutsler, Sean Bagbey, Elizabeth Bailey

Staff Present: Toby Snell, Ashlee Scott, Connie Adams, Jill Haddad

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA Motion made by HF and seconded by TE to adopt the agenda
Motion carries 5-0-0

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES Motion made by TE and seconded by SB to adopt the minutes with the vote count changes made to Tonna Grigsby Hearing
Motion carries 5-0-0

4. REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Report given by Ian Mathew

COURT REPORTER Margie Addington

5. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

a. Aaron Knox 05011492A

Petition to Withdraw Probation 2021 PTB 0006

Aaron Knox appears with counsel Joel Hand

Ian Mathew appears on behalf of the state

Motion made by HF and seconded by TE to withdraw probation

Motion carries 5-0-0

b. Craig Roberts 05008190A

Appeal on Denial of Renewal 202408 PTB 0002

Craig Roberts appears without counsel

Mr Roberts explains why he did not appear at the August meeting for his personal appearance based on his positive response and explained his criminal charges. Mr Roberts pled guilty and entered into a pretrial agreement on December 2023 for a Class A Misdemeanor. This program will be completed as of December 15, 2024. Once completed this will be stricken from his record.

Motion made by SB and seconded by HF to reverse the denial and approve the appeal

Motion carries 5-0-0

Motion made by HF and seconded by SB to approve the renewal free and clear

Motion carries 5-0-0

6. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

a. **Mason Durrett-Positive Response**

Mason Durrett appears in person

Jill Haddad, advisory council, steps away from advising the board for this personal appearance due to personal reasons, Donald Hannah steps in as advisory for the board. June of 2021, Mr Durrett was involved in a car accident. He was charged with DUI that resulted in bodily injury of another individual. He was placed on probation until March 2026. He entered into an inpatient treatment center and completed the program successfully. He started facilitating rides on campus while in school for anyone drinking. He started “Wabash Acts Responsibly”, which encourages student to follow an honor code on numerous matters including substance abuse. The WAR program is centered around control of binge drinking. He has remained sober since this accident. He is compliant with all of his criminal probation terms.

Motion made by TE and seconded by HF to approve the issuance of the license on probation. Submit supervisor reports and personal reports quarterly for a term to last as long as his criminal probation and a copy of the signed final order from employer.

Motion carries 5-0-0.

b. **Melinda Cecil Reinstatement Expired 2002**

Melinda Cecil appears in person

She has not been employed as a PT since 2002 and became a stay-at-home mom. She recently made the decision to return to the PT profession since her children are older.

Motion made by EB and seconded by TE to approve the reinstatement after passing the exam thru FSBPT

Motion carries 5-0-0

c. **Nicole Houser Renewal Appears via Phone**

Nicole Houser appears via phone

She resubmitted a renewal and completed her continuing education

Looking to renew her license. On her renewal, she answered yes to completing the required CE but admitted she did not complete CE resulting in a notice of noncompliance and issuing a civil penalty of \$250.00

She entered into a diversion agreement and completed it in July of 2024

Motion made by SB and seconded by HF to approve the renewal and issue a letter of reprimand with a civil penalty of 250.00 to be paid within 21 days from the date the notice is sent.

Motion carries 5-0-0

7. DISCUSSION ITEM

a. Question about Statute and Rules

IC 25-27-1-8 (d)

A person with a temporary permit issued under this subsection may practice physical therapy only under the **onsite supervision** of a licensed physical therapist who is responsible for the patient.

IC 25-27-1-1 (15)

"Onsite supervision" means supervision provided by a physical therapist who is continuously onsite and present in the department or facility where services are provided. The supervising therapist must be immediately available to the person being supervised and maintain continued involvement in the necessary aspects of patient care.

842 IAC 1-1-2 (a)

For the holder of a temporary permit issued under IC 25-27-1-8(d), **unless the supervising physical therapist is on the premises to provide constant supervision, the holder of a temporary permit shall meet with the physical therapist at least once each working day to review all patients' treatments.** This meeting must include the actual presence of the physical therapist and the holder of a temporary permit. The patients' care shall always be the responsibility of the supervising physical therapist. Reports written by the holder of a temporary permit for inclusion in the patient record shall be countersigned by the physical therapist who may enter any remarks, revisions, or additions as the physical therapist deems appropriate

Answer from the Board

Board response is to refer to the policy and procedures of the facility and refer to the facilities legal counsel if needed. Statute trumps rule.

8. PRACTICE RULING

A. Question:

Provide clarity if a physical therapist with an Indiana license practicing in Indiana may provide wellness services, such as sports performance enhancement or personal training, without being restricted to the Physical Therapy Practice Act requirement of requiring a referral from a qualified provider after 42 days. This would be in a case where no physical therapy services related to a PT plan of care for rehabilitation/habilitation are provided, truly wellness or personal training.

Answer from Board:

Board provides no interpretation or clarification to this question

9. ADJOURNMENT 1:39 P.M.

**Next Meeting Date:
February 12, 2025
Conference Center Room CC-1**