

## Rulemaking Hearing Rules

### Board of Occupational and Physical Therapy Examiners Committee of Physical Therapy

#### Chapter 1150-1 General Rules Governing the Practice of Physical Therapy

##### Amendments

Rule 1150-01-.01 Definitions is amended by deleting paragraph (7) in its entirety and substituting instead the following language, so that as amended, the new paragraph (7) shall read:

- (7) Commission on Accreditation of Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) – An agency approved by the Committee of Physical Therapy to accredit schools of physical therapy pursuant to T.C.A. §63-13-307(a).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-5-202, 4-5-204, 63-13-108, 63-13-304, and 63-13-307.

Rule 1150-01-.04 Qualifications for Licensure is amended by deleting subparagraph (3) (a) in its entirety and substituting instead the following language, and is further amended by adding the following language as new subparagraph (3) (b) and renumbering the remaining subparagraphs accordingly, so that as amended, the new subparagraphs (3) (a) and (3) (b) shall read:

- (3) (a) Have submitted directly to the Committee's administrative office a validly issued and error-free "Comprehensive Credential Evaluation Certificate for the Physical Therapist" (Type 1 Certificate) from the Foreign Credentialing Commission on Physical Therapy (FCCPT) for the purpose of evaluating and verifying that the applicant's education is substantially equivalent to a curriculum approved by CAPTE.
1. Submitting the "Visa Credential Verification Certificate," also issued by the FCCPT, will not constitute meeting this requirement.
  2. Applicants who cannot obtain a Type 1 Certificate from the FCCPT based on their ineligibility to sit for the Test of English as a Foreign Language internet Based Test (TOEFL iBT) must submit all other components of the Type 1 Certificate directly to the Committee's administrative office, for the purpose of evaluating and verifying that the applicant's education is substantially equivalent to a curriculum approved by CAPTE; or
- (3) (b) Have submitted directly to the Committee's administrative office a validly issued and error-free certification from any agency verifying that the applicant's education is substantially equivalent to a curriculum approved by CAPTE.
1. The agency must evaluate the curriculum in a manner similar to the FCCPT educational credentials review.
  2. The result or outcome of the evaluation is the issuance of certification that the Committee considers to be equivalent to the "Comprehensive Credential Evaluation Certificate for the Physical Therapist" (Type 1 Certificate) from the FCCPT.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-5-202, 4-5-204, 63-13-108, 63-13-304, and 63-13-307.

Rule 1150-01-.15 Disciplinary Actions, Civil Penalties, Assessment of Costs, and Screening Panels is amended by adding the following language as new paragraph (7) and renumbering the present paragraph (7) as paragraph (8):

- (7) Reconsiderations and Stays - The Committee authorizes the member who chaired the Committee for a contested case to be the agency member to make the decisions authorized pursuant to rule 1360-4-01-.18 regarding petitions for reconsiderations and stays in that case.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-5-202, 4-5-204, 63-13-108, 63-13-304, 63-13-312, 63-13-313, and 63-13-314.

The rulemaking hearing rules set out herein were properly filed in the Department of State on the 2nd day of February, 2007, and will become effective on the 18th day of April, 2007. (02-06-07, DBID 2339)