**Compact Legislation Update!**

The Physical Therapy Compact Commission (PTCC) was officially enacted on April 25, 2017. The PTCC original board is comprised of representatives from members from the original seven states to initially join the compact and representatives from both the APTA and Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT). The representatives from the APTA and FSBPT do not vote but serve to offer consultation and provide communication as needed. The board members discussed and then decided on the rules and bylaws which will govern the process for interstate compact licensure. In November 2017, the Board met for their first in-person meeting. The PTCC adopted the rules, bylaws and its 2018 operating budget. Each participating state will have one delegate on the committee. A website has been created for the Physical Therapy Compact:

[http://ptcompact.org](http://ptcompact.org/)

The fee in 2018 is $45 dollars for compact privileges. Currently, there are 17states that have enacted the PTCL (Physical Therapy Compact Legislation).

Current Member States include:

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| ColoradoNew HampshireNew JerseyNorth CarolinaKentuckyTennesseeMississippiMissouriTexas | North DakotaMontanaUtahArizonaWashingtonOregonIowaNebraska |

9 States that have introduced PTCL into legislation:

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| Pennsylvania (HB 1836)West VirginiaSouth CarolinaWisconsinIowa | NebraskaKansasOklahomaLouisiana |

Pennsylvania Physical Therapy Association (PPTA) is working with local legislators to bring the bill (HB 1836) for the PT Compact into legislation for PT/PTA’s in the Commonwealth of PA. To contact your local representative to ask them to show support for this bill there is a link below.

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/home/findyourlegislator/>

To keep up to date as to where the bill stands with Pennsylvania legislation you can refer to the link below. Type in “HB 1386” under section “by bill number.”

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/home/bills/>

To find a letter you can send to your local representative please refer to the APTA website at:

<http://www.apta.org/Advocacy/>

The Physical Therapy Compact Commission (PTCC) has a stated goal to issue compact privileges to PT's and PTA's with a license in their home state to then apply for Compact privileges and then practice in those states by mid-2018. This will allow therapists access to practice in more than a single state with a single license plus compact privilege.

The Commission is working on developing an online system that will automatically verify PT and PTA eligibility to obtain compact privileges. The plan is for PT's and PTA's to be able to use their Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) identification number to verify their eligibility and select the member states they wish to purchase compact privileges to work in. You will have a FSBPT ID if you have ever purchased a product from the FSBPT (including PEAT or an exam registration), a graduate from a CAPTE-accredited school, or have been issued an alternate identification number from FSBPT. If you do not know your FSBPT number you can look it up on their website.

<https://pt.fsbpt.net/Account/ForgotFsbptId>

There will be webinars and instructional videos to help learn how to use the system provided by PTCC that will be available on the PT Compact website.

The PTCC is notifying PT's and PTA's that most states will require jurisprudence requirements with a complete list of the states to be listed before the system launches. The jurisprudence will be verified and anyone found to have lied regarding completion of jurisprudence will lose compact privileges and may face disciplinary action in their home state.

PTCC Rules:

http://ptcompact.org/Portals/0/Images/Physical%20Therapy%20Compact%20Rules%20effective%20November%205%202017.pdf

PTCC Bylaws:

http://ptcompact.org/Portals/0/Images/Physical%20Therapy%20Compact%20Commission%20Bylaws%20Adopted%20November%205%202017.pdf

**Public Comments are being sought regarding proposed Amendments to PT Compact Rule on FBI Criminal Background Checks**

Read the notice of proposed amendments to the Rules and how to comment on the link below.

<http://ptcompact.org/Portals/0/Images/PTCompactCommissionRulesAmendmentsNotice04262018v1.2.pdf?ver=2017-09-14-171542-143>