

WSR 25-03-095

PERMANENT RULES

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

(Board of Physical Therapy)

[Filed January 17, 2025, 8:19 a.m., effective February 17, 2025]

Effective Date of Rule: Thirty-one days after filing.

Purpose: Physical therapy licensure compact (PTLC); updating the reference date to match the most recent PTLC commission rules. The board of physical therapy has adopted an updated effective date in WAC 246-915A-010 to match the date of the most recent PTLC rules to comply with RCW 18.74.500, Article IX(2).

The purpose of the adopted amendment is to update the effective date in rule to June 17, 2024, which is the most recent version of the PTLC rules. The PTLC rules, effective June 17, 2024, made the following minor changes to the compact rules: (1) Clarified the expiration date of the home state license and compact privilege; and (2) changed the time frame of how long a compact privilege holder must report a change in home state from 30 days to 60 days.

The adopted change to WAC 246-915A-010 complies with the RCW 18.75.500, Article IX(2) by incorporating by reference the PTLC rules as of June 17, 2024.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 246-915A-010.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 18.74.023 and 18.74.500, Article IX(2).

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 24-20-033 on September 23, 2024.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 1, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 1, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: December 9, 2024.

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Physical Therapy Board

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 24-11-116, filed 5/20/24, effective 5/20/24)

WAC 246-915A-010 Physical therapy licensure compact—Compact commission rules. (1) The physical therapy licensure compact (compact) is established in Washington under RCW 18.74.500. Its pur-

pose is to facilitate interstate practice of physical therapy with the goal of improving public access to physical therapy services.

(2) The rules of the physical therapy compact commission, in effect as of June (~~(27, 2023)~~) 17, 2024, are adopted and incorporated by reference.

(3) A copy of the rules is available for public inspection from the department of health at <https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/PhysicalTherapyLicensureCompact> or by calling the department of health's office of customer service at 360-236-4700.

(4) A licensee may exercise a compact privilege as provided in RCW 18.74.500, Article IV. Applicable fees are set forth in WAC 246-915A-990.