

WAC 246-915-040 Licensure by endorsement. (1) An applicant for licensure as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant who is currently registered, certified, or licensed under the laws of another state or territory, or the District of Columbia, with substantially equal requirements of this chapter shall file an application and submit to the department:

(a) Documentation verifying graduation from a board approved school as described in WAC 246-915-100 and 246-915-105; and

(b) Verification of passing NPTE scores as described in WAC 246-915-030.

(2) If the applicant took an examination other than the NPTE, the board shall determine if such examination is equivalent to that required by the laws of this state.

(3) If an applicant has not been actively engaged in lawful practice in another state, territory, or District of Columbia in the last three years, the applicant may be granted licensure by endorsement under the following conditions:

(a) The board may require the applicant to retake and pass the NPTE; or

(b) The board may waive reexamination in favor of evidence of continuing competency satisfactory to the board.

(4) If the applicant has not been actively engaged in lawful practice in another state, territory, or District of Columbia in the last five years or longer, the applicant may be granted licensure by endorsement under the following conditions:

(a) The applicant completes the continuing competency requirements found in WAC 246-915-085; and

(b) The applicant retakes and passes the NPTE.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.74.023 and chapter 18.74 RCW, RCW 18.340.020. WSR 18-15-067, § 246-915-040, filed 7/17/18, effective 8/17/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.74.023. WSR 05-06-022, § 246-915-040, filed 2/22/05, effective 3/25/05; WSR 94-05-014 (Order 403B), § 246-915-040, filed 2/4/94, effective 3/7/94; WSR 91-05-094 (Order 144B), § 246-915-040, filed 2/20/91, effective 3/23/91; WSR 91-02-011 (Order 103B), recodified as § 246-915-040, filed 12/21/90, effective 1/31/91. Statutory Authority: Chapter 18.74 RCW. WSR 90-16-070 (Order 074), § 308-42-060, filed 7/30/90, effective 8/30/90. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.74.023. WSR 86-19-063 (Order PM 619), § 308-42-060, filed 9/16/86; WSR 84-17-032 (Order PL 477), § 308-42-060, filed 8/8/84. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.74.020. WSR 83-05-032 (Order PL 426), § 308-42-060, filed 2/10/83; WSR 81-19-071 (Order PL 384), § 308-42-060, filed 9/15/81; Order PL 191, § 308-42-060, filed 5/29/75; Order 704207, § 308-42-060, filed 8/7/70, effective 9/15/70.]