



# Louisiana Physical Therapy Board

## NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2018

### MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



The 2018 renewal season is now complete and the board office has begun contacting licensees who have been randomly selected for this year's Continuing Education Audit ("Audit"). Each year the board votes on the percentage of licensees who are randomly selected for the Audit. This year the board voted to again randomly select 10% of licensees for the Audit. Licensees selected for the Continuing Education Audit have until May 31, 2018 to hand-deliver or mail hardcopies of their certificates to the board office. If you were selected for the Audit, please review the letter that you received and respond by the deadlines provided.

The board website allows licensees to report continuing coursework as soon as coursework is completed. Licensees are also able to upload a PDF of the certificate of completion for coursework, which is a great way of keeping track of your certificates for later access if you are chosen for the Audit. We encourage you to log in on your dashboard and report continuing education as it is completed between renewal periods. If you cannot find a course that was taken or have trouble uploading coursework, please contact the board office.

Charlotte Martin, M.P.A.

### CURRENT BOARD

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Term</u>
Patrick Cook, PT Chairman	Sept 2018
Karl Kleinpeter, PT Secretary/Treasurer	Sept 2020
Kristina Lounsberry, PT	July 2018
Craig Prejean, PTA	Sept 2019
Julie Harris, PT	Dec 2019
Judith Halverson, PT	July 2019
Meredith Warner, M.D.	Jan 2021

### UPDATES

#### 2018 LICENSE RENEWALS UPDATE

	2018 RENEWALS	PTs	PTAs
TOTAL ELIGIBLE	2,315	1,598	717
TOTAL RENEWED	2170	1500	670
TOTAL NON-RENEWED	145	98	47

#### RULES REVISION UPDATE

The Board officially submitted the Rules Revision to the State Register. The majority of the revision involves language cleanup to provide clarity and reduce redundancy in Rule. Revised Rules are not effective until the final Rules are published in the Louisiana State Register. Here is an updated timeline for the current best-case scenario for the 2018 Rule revision:

- April 10—LPTB Submitted Notice of Intent and Approved Fiscal Statement to State Register*
- April 20—Notice of Intent Published in Louisiana Register*
- April 21-May 10—Period for Requesting Public Hearing*
- July 10—Agency Submits Final Rule to State Register*
- July 20—Final Rule Published in Louisiana Register*

## LEGAL CORNER

The 2018 Louisiana regular legislative session convened on March 12, 2018. Since that date, the Legislative Committee of the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board (Board), which members include Board members, Patrick Cook, PT; Julie Harris, PT; and Karl Kleinpeter, PT, and Advisory committee member, Phillip Page, PT, have been closely monitoring all proposed legislation that, if passed, would impact the Board or its legislative mandate to protect the public health, safety, and welfare, and to provide for state administrative control, supervision, licensing, and regulation of the practice of physical therapy in Louisiana. There are currently several bills, that if passed, will greatly impact the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board and the licensure of physical therapists and physical therapist assistants. SB203, sponsored by Senator Barrow Peacock, seeks to enact the model language required to participate in the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact, a project launched by the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT). The goal of the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact as stated by FSBPT is “to increase consumer access to physical therapy services by reducing regulatory barriers to interstate mobility and cross-state practice.” For more information on the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact, please visit [www.fsbpt.org/FreeResources/PhysicalTherapyLicensurecompact.aspx](http://www.fsbpt.org/FreeResources/PhysicalTherapyLicensurecompact.aspx). Another bill of interest is SB40. SB40, sponsored by Senator Fred H. Mills, Jr., seeks, in part, to change the composition of multiple professional licensing boards including, but not limited to, the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board. If passed, the Board composition will consist of four physical therapists, one physical therapist assistant, one physician, and one consumer member. Board members will be appointed by the Governor from a list of candidates proposed by the Board following notice to all licensees. In addition, consumer members will have the opportunity to apply for a Board position directly to the office of the governor. This is a significant change from current law as SB40 adds a consumer member and changes the appointment process for Board members.

The remaining bills being monitored by the Legislative Review Committee, HB372, HB748, HB825, SB260, and SB494, seek to alter professional licensing in its entirety and the existing legal procedure utilized by professional licensing boards. Licensing boards are created by the state legislature to regulate a specific profession or issue in a manner that best protects the public health, safety, and welfare. There are professional licensing boards for attorneys, auctioneers, barbers, CPAs, cosmetologists, doctors, embalmers, florists, jockeys, sanitarians . . . At present, many of the bills are questioning whether all existing professional licensing boards are necessary to protect the public from harm, and if the professional licensing boards are necessary, are they regulating in a way that protects public safety while minimizing unnecessary barriers to licensure. More information on the above specified bills can be found at [www.legis.la.gov](http://www.legis.la.gov). Only time will tell how this legislative session will impact the landscape of professional licensure.

While the Board is prohibited by law from lobbying, it has a duty to educate on the impact of proposed legislation on the regulation and practice of physical therapy as it relates to public health, safety and welfare. Please contact the Board office if you have questions regarding how proposed legislation may impact the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board or the regulation of the practice of physical therapy. If you are interested in actively participating in the Legislative Session, you can contact the Louisiana Physical Therapy Association at 225-922-4614. Final adjournment of the 2018 Louisiana regular legislative session will be no later than 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 4, 2018.

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT



This Spring, the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board has already been quite busy. In April, the board officially submitted the latest Rules Revision to the state register. Once published, these changes will increase clarity for the practice of physical therapy in Louisiana and we look forward to the positive changes this will bring. Renewals for 2018 ended on April 30, 2018. The CEU Audit is now the next task on the horizon for the board.

The board is very excited to have the addition of Judith Halverson, PT and Dr. Meredith Warner, MD. With new members comes fresh perspectives on the world of physical therapy. 2018's priority has been largely focused on internal controls review as well as updating the online Jurisprudence Exam. As the board looks towards the second half of the year, we consider what the future holds and what licensee needs are going to be in 2019 and 2020. The board recognizes the importance of strategic planning in meeting our goals and will be discussing the priorities going into the future. As licensees, we would appreciate your feedback on what you think should be the board's focus in 2019 and 2020. You can reach out to the board staff at any time with your questions or ideas.

Patrick Cook, PT, MPT, OCS, FAAOMPT  
*Board Chairman*

## **Why was I chosen for the CEU Audit?**

The CE Audit selection process is completely random. If you were chosen for the CEU Audit, it simply means that our computer program selected you randomly. Being selected for the Audit in no way means that you are suspected of non-compliance with CEU reporting for the renewal period.

## **How many times can a PT or PTA be selected for the CEU audit?**

There is no limit to the number of times a licensee can be selected for the CEU audit. If a licensee has renewed his/her Louisiana license, he/she is eligible for audit selection.

## **How many licensees are not in compliance with the CEU requirements?**

Last year 13% of licensees who were selected for the Audit were non-compliant with CEU requirements for the renewal period. One goal is to help licensees obtain compliance through education in the newsletter and at live jurisprudence seminars, as well as making improvements to the website that will assist licensees and reduce the chance of error for licensees. By educating licensees and making improvements to the board website, the board expects to reduce the percentage of non-compliant licensees each year.

## **May I fax or email my audit response documents to the board office?**

No. Audit response documents may NOT be submitted by fax or email. Audit response documents may be MAILED or HAND-DELIVERED to the board office.

## **What is the penalty for not submitting a complete audit response packet—OR—if my audit response packet does not physically arrive at the LPTB office on or before the May 31, 2018 deadline?**

An audited licensee who is unable to provide valid documentation demonstrating compliance with the CEU audit and/or failure to submit a full audit response packet to LPTB before the May 31, 2018 deadline, will be considered non-compliant with the CEU audit and may face disciplinary action.

## **What is the deadline for my audit response packet to be physically received and date stamped at the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board office?**

The full and complete audit response packet must arrive at the LPTB office with a postmark of no later than May 31, 2018.

## **What address do I mail my audit response packet and how can I ensure that it arrives at the LPTB before the May 31, 2018 receipt deadline?**

MAIL the full and complete audit response to:

*Louisiana Physical Therapy Board  
ATTN: CEU Audit  
104 Fairlane Drive  
Lafayette, LA 70507*

Due to the large volume of documents arriving during the audit, board staff will be unable to provide confirmation of receipt of your audit response packet—or—review documentation at the time of submission. In order for the licensee to have confirmation regarding the day/date their audit response packet arrived at the LPTB office, board staff recommends the licensee mail their CEU audit response packet to LPTB using an overnight, 2nd day delivery service, or other certified mail that provides a tracking number. By doing so, he/she can monitor (directly with the shipper) when the package has been physically delivered to the LPTB office.

If the audited licensee prefers to hand-deliver their response packet, they are welcome to drop it off at the reception desk during LPTB regular office hours of Monday-Friday, 8:00-4:30pm (Central Standard Time). The LPTB office is closed for most state and federal holidays.

### **IMPORTANT:**

Determination of compliance (or non-compliance) with LPTB CEU rules will be based on the first and initial audit response packet received at the LPTB office. Faxed and/or emailed documents will not be accepted.

## **How will I be notified of the outcome of my CEU Audit?**

After the licensee's audit response packet has completed the review process and is determined to be compliant, notification will be sent to the licensee regarding their audit outcome to the email address on file with LPTB. If you are unsure of what direct/private email address LPTB has on file for you, write it clearly at the bottom of your checklist form. If the licensee is found to be non-compliant with the audit, the licensee will receive a letter by regular mail and certified mail requesting additional documentation by a specified deadline.

# LICENSE RENEWALS: THE NUMBERS

## LICENSES NOT RENEWED

Notice of licensees who choose to not renew their Louisiana license is provided to the public. Non-renewal is not grounds for disciplinary action and should not be interpreted as such. Individuals who will not be renewing their license in Louisiana are to complete a Notice of Non-Renewal of License form. Completing the form does not exempt individuals from public notification list in the newsletter. The following PTs and PTAs have not renewed their licenses to practice physical therapy in the state of Louisiana, which resulted in expiration of their license on April 30, 2018 (*Rule §179*).

*\* Licensees notified the board of non-renewal by submitting a Notice of Non-Renewal Form.*

Lindsey Ray Adams, PT*	Arvin Carmelotes Dones, PT*	Shawn Patrick Kerby, PT
Bay Vhonda Adger, PTA	Shannon Leigh Downing, PT	Danielle June Khoury, PT*
Austin Dupree Ahles, PT	Paul Joseph Ducrest, PT*	Joseph Paul Khoury, PT*
Yejide Oluyemisi Akinkugbe, PT	Calida Jo Dunnehoo, PTA	Emily Adele Komitsky, PT*
Teavin Tramaine Applewhite, PTA	John Michael Durham, PT	Linda Claire Landry, PT
Quinn Vito Asaro, PT*	Sherri Lynn Dyer, PTA*	Brandi Faye Liles, PTA*
Jennifer A Bartlett, PTA*	Doris Rita Estelle, PT	Peter Allan Lock, PT
Brittani Nicole Benoit, PT*	Sarah Yvonne Fontenot, PTA	Allyson Leone Loupe, PT
Brittain Leigh Benton, PT	Jane Kristine Foreyt, PT	Michelle Christine Lyons, PTA*
Kevin E Bias, PT	Robin Lee Forney, PTA	Stephanie Nicole Maguire, PT*
Jason Joseph Bland, PTA	Dennis James Fredette, PT*	Hayley Morgan Kepner Makatche, PT*
Sheila Joy Borgen, PT	Amber Bethanny Fulford, PT*	Christopher Eric Mangin, PT*
Myrna Clair Bouchereau, PT*	Emily Renee Gandy, PTA	Gena S March, PT*
Stella Bowman, PTA*	Carol Renee Gillen, PTA	Malorie Kathleen Marchant, PTA
Jessica Jeanne Brand, PT	Sarah Marie Gilmore, PTA	Richard Hershel Markle, PT
Jenny Lee Bridges, PT	Becky Lynn Goetsch, PTA*	Sarah Nicole Massey, PT
Laura Jeanne Briggs, PT*	Andrew Derick Graul, PT*	Carleen Michele McArtor, PT
Alyson Elizabeth Briody, PT	Ernest Loessner Green, PT	Christine Nicole Meaux, PT
Iryna Bilchenko Brock, PTA	Kristen Jolynn Greene, PT*	Jessica Karolina Melancon, PT*
Lori Celeste Broussard, PTA	Mary Gregory, PT	Gisele Sonnier Menard, PTA*
Sarah Davis Brumfield, PTA	Alexandria Justine Groesbeck, PT	Tiffany Kay Miller, PTA
Jonathan Maxwell Campbell, PT*	Kandra Shonique Grover, PTA*	Melissa G Murray, PT
David Jason Cargill, PT*	Marc Kennon Gueniot, PTA*	Katherine Leigh Norgard, PT*
Phyllis Ann Comeaux, PT*	Mary Clare Guggenheimer Bruno, PTA*	Geoffrey Scott Nyberg, PTA
Mary Caroline Cook, PTA	Elizabeth Anderson Hadachek, PTA*	Haley Renee Odle, PT
Jason Duane Copelin, PT	Chong Sup Han, PTA*	Edward Bryan Oliver, PTA*
Christian Andrew Cox, PT*	Alberta Lashae Harris, PT*	Taura Motley Olsen, PT*
Tara Moore Cronin, PT*	Kristen Amanda Hazlett, PTA	Matthew Ward Ostler, PT*
Kelly Patricia Danielson, PT*	Rachael Diane Henderson, PT*	Madison Marie Parson, PTA
Eva Al-Khoury Davis, PT*	William Patrick Hihar, PT*	Adam Houston Paul, PT
Kana Joy Davis, PT	Hayley Alexis Hildenbrand, PTA*	Katie Marie Perea, PTA*
Mary Lee Delaney, PT	John Nicholas Hodge, PTA*	Richard Oscar Peterson, PT
Jason Paul Delatte, PTA	Lisa Katherine Hundley, PT*	Alicia Rae Poche, PT
Susan Marie DeSmith, PT*	Lydia Anne Ingram, PT	Kathleen Pope, PT*
Nettie Desselle, PTA*	Jodi Alyssa James, PT*	Lindsay Ann Prettyman, PT
Kylie Dayn Dinoso, PTA*	Abby Christine Janszen, PT*	Megan Elizabeth Priddy, PT
David Michael Dishauzi, PT*	Kenneth James Jenkins, PT	James Russell Reed, PT*
Erin Elizabeth Dixon, PT*	David Livingston Joseph, PTA	William Arthur Rice, PT
Karen Elizabeth Doerries, PT*		

## LICENSES NOT RENEWED (CONTINUED)

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Crystalyn R Richard, PT  
 Emely Michele Richardson, PT\*  
 Natalie Elisabeth Ryan, PT\*  
 Brande Suzanne Ryan-Hicks, PT  
 Tristan Renee Sanders, PTA\*  
 Dusty Marie Santman, PTA  
 Evelyn Lee Scarborough, PT  
 Sherri Joyce Schexnayder, PT  
 Walter Henry Schmid, PT\*  
 Mary Anna Sholes, PT\*  
 Steven Marius Sibille, PTA\*  
 Jason Burton Sibley, PTA  
 Joyce Elaine Silar, PT  
 Jeremy Lee Smith, PT\*  
 Cassandra Mary Snyder, PTA

Jacqueline Robyn Soileau, PT\*  
 Tara Vicknair St. Pierre, PTA  
 Angela Clara Stout, PT  
 Mary Ellen Stromboe, PT\*  
 Jessica Robin Swanson, PT\*  
 Megan Leigh Swint, PT  
 Janis Marie Tassin, PT\*  
 Reba Anjanette Thigpen, PTA\*  
 Aliesje Nichole Thrower, PTA  
 Ashley Elaine Trahan, PT\*  
 Donna Urquhart, PT\*  
 Katherine Jane Voorhorst, PT\*  
 Melody Lynn White, PTA  
 Alyssa Celeste Wischmeyer, PT  
 Jennifer Kristen Zulli, PT

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## DISCIPLINARY ACTION

### **Edwin Salutillo, PT 04132F, Lake Charles, LA: Administrative Complaint 2017-I-038.**

Licensee attempted to kiss and on several occasions inappropriately touched a former patient while working in a nursing home setting. Respondent is placed on suspension for a period of one year beginning on December 12, 2017 which was the date of the respondent voluntarily agreed to abstain from the practice of physical therapy. Prior to the conclusion of the suspension period, licensee must complete a fitness for duty evaluation and be cleared to safely return to the practice of physical therapy. Upon completion of the terms of the suspension, his license will be placed on probation for a minimum period of five years. For duration of probationary period, licensee shall not work in home health or nursing home setting. Licensee must present copy of his consent order to employers, supervisors, and physical therapists, physical therapy assistants, and technicians that work with him. Licensee must complete professional boundaries continuing education course as well as complete a 750-word essay.

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## ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

**Chris Franks, PT**  
Lake Charles

**Joe Guthrie, PT**  
Kentwood

**Phillip Page, PT**  
Baton Rouge

**Jason Douglas, PT**  
Larose

**Lora Whiting, PTA**  
Crowley

**Ryan Usner, PT**  
Harahan

**Jeremy Dye, PT**  
Shreveport

**Nicholas Butler, PT**  
Monroe

**Tyra Mitchell, PT**  
New Orleans

### DON'T FORGET TO UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION!

To update your "preferred mailing address", log in on your Dashboard and view Current Contact Information. Next to "Addresses" select "Edit". Scroll down and identify either Work or Home as your preferred mailing address. Alternatively, you may contact the board office at 337-262-1043 to update this information.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



### BOARD MEETINGS 2018 SCHEDULE

**June**

Wednesday, June 6, 2018 at 4:00 pm

**August**

Thursday, August 16, 2018 at 4:00 pm

**September**

Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 4:00 pm

**October**

Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 4:00 pm

**December**

Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 4:00 pm

*Board Meeting time and dates are subject to change.  
Check our website for the most up-to-date information.  
[www.laptboard.org/Meetings](http://www.laptboard.org/Meetings)*

### TRAVELING JURISPRUDENCE 2018 SCHEDULE

To register for a Live Jurisprudence Seminar, email your name, license number, and desired Jurisprudence location to [ceu@laptboard.org](mailto:ceu@laptboard.org). Your certificate will be emailed to you following the completion of the seminar.

**Sunday, August 26, 2018**

**Baton Rouge**

1:00pm-3:00pm

*In conjunction with the LPTA FALL Meeting*

*Additional dates and locations may be added; please  
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our website for the most up-to-date information.  
[www.laptboard.org/JPLive](http://www.laptboard.org/JPLive)*

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