MICHIGAN PHYSICAL THERAPIST AND PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT LICENSING GUIDE

ALL APPLICANTS:

• A fingerprint report and criminal background check are required. Fingerprintss must be taken using the instructions and ID numbers that are sent to the applicant after the license application and fee are received and entered into the database.

• Applicants for licensure must schedule, complete, and pass the jurisprudence examination through PSI. PSI can be contacted by visiting www.psiexams.com or by calling PSI at 800-733-9267.

• Graduates of education programs outside the United States that are not CAPTE accredited must have their physical therapy education evaluated using the Foreign Credentialing Commission on Physical Therapy (FCCPT).

• If your education/curriculum was not taught in English, you must obtain a total score of not less than 89 on the test of English as a foreign language internet-based test (TOEFL-IBT). You must obtain the following section scores: not less than 21 on reading, not less than 18 on listening, not less than 26 on speaking and not less than 24 on writing.

• Human Trafficking requirement – Administrative Rule R 338.7126: Proof of completion of training to identify victims of human trafficking. This is a one-time training that is separate from continuing education (CE). Licensees renewing in 2018 must complete training by renewal in 2020; renewals for 2019 by 2021, and renewals for 2020 by 2022. Beginning January 6, 2022, completion of the training is a requirement for initial license issuance.

• Continuing Education (CE) requirement – Administrative Rules R 338.7137, R 338.7149, R 338.7161 and R 338.7163(1)(c): Proof of 24 credits in Professional Development Requirement (PDR), in activities approved by the Board, will be required to renew a license or apply for relicensure. Therefore, those individuals renewing in 2017 will be required to start accumulating PDR credits to be in compliance for their renewal in 2019, licensees renewing in 2018 must complete for 2020 renewal and so forth. Any credits accumulated prior to August 1, 2017 will not be applied towards this requirement.

ELIGIBILITY FOR PHYSICAL THERAPIST (PT) LICENSE BY EXAMINATION
(first license)

• Submit the Physical Therapy and Relicensure Application found at http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-72600_72603_27529_27549---,00.html with the appropriate fee to the Michigan Board.

• Graduate from a physical therapist educational program that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) or have your education evaluated using the current FSBPT Coursework Tool (CWT). However, foreign educated applicants who are currently licensed in another State and are seeking licensure through endorsement should be evaluated using the CWT that covers the date they graduated from their physical therapy education program. For more information on FSBPT CWT please visit their website at https://www.fsbpt.org/FreeResources/RegulatoryResources/CourseworkTools(CWT).aspx
• Arrange for submission of verification of licensure in any state or U.S. territory where licensed, even if the license is no longer active.

**ELIGIBILITY FOR PHYSICAL THERAPIST (PT) LICENSE BY EXAMINATION CONTINUED:**

• Pass the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) that is administered through the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT).

**ELIGIBILITY FOR PHYSICAL THERAPIST LICENSE BY ENDORSEMENT**
(currently licensed in another FSBPT-recognized jurisdiction)

• Submit the Physical Therapy and Relicensure application found at http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-72600_72603_27529_27549---,00.html with the appropriate fee to the Michigan Board.
• Arrange for submission of verification of licensure in any state or U.S. territory where licensed, even if the license is no longer active.
• Contact FSBPT to have NPTE scores sent to the Michigan Board.
• If licensed less than five years in another FSBPT-recognized jurisdiction, must also meet the educational requirements listed above.

**ELIGIBILITY FOR PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT (PTA) LICENSE BY EXAMINATION**
(first license)

• Submit the Physical Therapy and Relicensure Application found at http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-72600_72603_27529_27549---,00.html with the appropriate fee to the Michigan Board.
• Graduate from a physical therapist educational program that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) or have your education evaluated using the current FSBPT Coursework Tool (CWT). However, foreign educated applicants who are currently licensed in another State and are seeking licensure through endorsement should be evaluated using the CWT that covers the date they graduated from their physical therapy education program. For more information on FSBPT CWT please visit their website at https://www.fsbpt.org/FreeResources/RegulatoryResources/CourseworkTools(CWT).aspx
• Arrange for submission of verification of licensure in any state or U.S. territory where licensed, even if the license is no longer active.
• Pass the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) that is administered through the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT).
ELIGIBILITY FOR PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT LICENSE BY ENDORSEMENT
(currently licensed in another FSBPT-recognized jurisdiction)

• Submit the Physical Therapy and Relicensure application found at http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-72600_72603_27529_27549---,00.html with the appropriate fee to the Michigan Board.
• Arrange for submission of verification of licensure in any state or U.S. territory where licensed, even if the license is no longer active.
• Contact FSBPT to have NPTE scores sent to the Bureau of Professional Licensing - Licensing Division.
• If licensed less than five years in another FSBPT-recognized jurisdiction, must also meet the educational requirements listed above.