

Licensure

Physical therapist assistants are required to be licensed by the State of Alabama. The Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) developed and has ownership of the national exam. The exam cost is \$400.00. Each applicant must apply to the State of Alabama Board of Physical Therapy for the license. (The applicant can request licensure in any state but must apply for a license from that State and pay the fees established by that State) The fee for Alabama is \$120.00. The exams are given on fixed dates determined by the FSBPT. Testing is provided at Pro-metric centers and the fees for sitting for the exam are determined by the site. Please visit the Federation's web-site at the following address www.fsbpt.org for additional information and the candidate information booklet. The State Board of Alabama's web information and forms are located at www.pt.state.al.us.

Program Applicant Disclosure Statement

Be advised that the Alabama Physical Therapy Practice Act, Code of Alabama 1975, Section 34-24-190, et.Seq., as Act 2012 states the following:

Section 34-24-217. Grounds for refusal, suspension or revocation of license

The board shall refuse to issue a license to any person and, after notice and hearing in accordance with its regulations and rules, shall suspend, restrict, or revoke the license of any person who has:

- Practiced physical therapy other than upon the referral of a physician licensed to practice medicine or surgery, a dentist licensed to practice dentistry, a licensed chiropractor, a licensed assistant to a physician acting pursuant to a valid supervisory agreement, or a licensed certified registered nurse practitioner in a valid collaborative practice agreement with a licensed physician, except as provided in Section 34-24-210.1, or practiced as a physical therapist assistant other than under the direction of a licensed physical therapist
- Used drugs or intoxicating liquors to an extent which affects his professional competency
- Been convicted of a felony or of a crime involving moral turpitude
- Obtained or attempted to obtain a license by fraud or deception
- Been grossly negligent in the practice of physical therapy or in acting as a physical therapist assistant
- Been adjudged mentally incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction
- Been guilty of conduct unbecoming a person licensed as a physical therapist or licensed as a physical therapist assistant or of conduct detrimental to the best interest of the public
- Been convicted of violating any state or federal narcotic law

- Treated or undertaken to treat human ailments otherwise than by physical therapy as defined in this article
- Advertised unethically according to standards as set by the board
- Failed or refused to obey any lawful order or regulation of the board.

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