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**VIRTUAL/TELECONFERENCE**  
**PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINING BOARD**  
**Virtual, 4822 Madison Yards Way, Madison**  
**Contact: Tom Ryan (608) 266-2112**  
**May 13, 2026**

*The following agenda describes the issues that the Board plans to consider at the meeting. At the time of the meeting, items may be removed from the agenda. Please consult the meeting minutes for a description of the actions of the Board.*

**AGENDA**

**9:00 A.M.**

**OPEN SESSION – CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL**

- A. Adoption of Agenda (1-3)**
- B. Approval of Minutes of February 3, 2026 (4-8)**
- C. Reminders: Conflicts of Interest, Scheduling Concerns
- D. Introductions, Announcements and Recognition
- E. Administrative Matters – Discussion and Consideration**
  - 1. Department, Staff and Board Updates
  - 2. Board Members – Term Expiration Dates
    - a. Bader, Lisa – 7/1/2029
    - b. Brewer, Kate – 7/1/2028
    - c. Bulkow, Brad – 7/1/2027
    - d. Johnson, Steven W. – 7/1/2029
    - e. McEldowney, Todd – 7/1/2025
- F. 9:00 A.M. Preliminary Public Hearing – Scope Statement 016-26: PT 9, relating to Continuing Education Providers (9-12)**
  - 1. Review Public Hearing Comments and Respond to Clearinghouse Report
- G. Administrative Rule Matters – Discussion and Consideration (13-14)**
  - 1. Pending or Possible Rulemaking Projects
- H. Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) Matters (15)**
  - 1. Appearance – Michele Thorman, Vice President, FSBPT Board of Directors and Liaison to the Wisconsin Physical Therapy Examining Board and Leslie Adrian, FSBPT Director of Professional Standards
  - 2. Report from 2026 Regulatory Workshop, April 9-11, 2026
- I. 2025 Physical Therapy Examining Board Annual Report – Board Review (16-18)**

J. Legislative and Policy Matters – Discussion and Consideration

K. Discussion and Consideration of Items Added After Preparation of Agenda

1. Introductions, Announcements and Recognition
2. Administrative Matters
3. Election of Officers
4. Appointment of Liaisons and Alternates
5. Delegation of Authorities
6. Education and Examination Matters
7. Credentialing Matters
8. Practice Matters
9. Legislative and Policy Matters
10. Administrative Rule Matters
11. Liaison Reports
12. Board Liaison Training and Appointment of Mentors
13. Public Health Emergencies
14. Informational Items
15. Division of Legal Services and Compliance (DLSC) Matters
16. Presentations of Petitions for Summary Suspension
17. Petitions for Designation of Hearing Examiner
18. Presentation of Stipulations, Final Decisions and Orders
19. Presentation of Proposed Final Decisions and Orders
20. Presentation of Interim Orders
21. Petitions for Re-Hearing
22. Petitions for Assessments
23. Petitions to Vacate Orders
24. Requests for Disciplinary Proceeding Presentations
25. Motions
26. Petitions
27. Appearances from Requests Received or Renewed
28. Speaking Engagements, Travel, or Public Relation Requests, and Reports

L. **Public Comments**

**CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.); to consider licensure or certification of individuals (s. 19.85(1)(b), Stats.); to consider closing disciplinary investigations with administrative warnings (ss. 19.85(1)(b), and 440.205, Stats.); to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85(1)(f), Stats.); and to confer with legal counsel (s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats.).**

M. **Deliberation on DLSC Matters**

1. **Case Closings**
  - a. 25 PHT 0013 – T.G.B. **(19-22)**
  - b. 25 PHT 0014 – T.D.B. **(23-26)**
  - c. 25 PHT 0015 – A.J. **(27-30)**
  - d. 25 PHT 0016 – T.M.M.M. **(31-34)**
  - e. 25 PHT 0024 – T.A.Z. **(35-44)**

N. Deliberation of Items Added After Preparation of the Agenda

1. Education and Examination Matters
2. Credentialing Matters
3. DLSC Matters

4. Monitoring Matters
5. Professional Assistance Procedure (PAP) Matters
6. Petitions for Summary Suspensions
7. Petitions for Designation of Hearing Examiner
8. Proposed Stipulations, Final Decisions and Orders
9. Proposed Interim Orders
10. Administrative Warnings
11. Review of Administrative Warnings
12. Proposed Final Decisions and Orders
13. Matters Relating to Costs/Orders Fixing Costs
14. Case Closings
15. Board Liaison Training
16. Petitions for Assessments and Evaluations
17. Petitions to Vacate Orders
18. Remedial Education Cases
19. Motions
20. Petitions for Re-Hearing
21. Appearances from Requests Received or Renewed

O. Consulting with Legal Counsel

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION**

P. Vote on Items Considered or Deliberated Upon in Closed Session if Voting is Appropriate

Q. Open Session Items Noticed Above Not Completed in the Initial Open Session

R. Delegation and Ratification of Examinations, Licenses and Certificates

**ADJOURNMENT**

**NEXT MEETING: AUGUST 5, 2026**

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 MEETINGS AND HEARINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, AND MAY BE CANCELLED WITHOUT NOTICE.

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**VIRTUAL/TELECONFERENCE  
PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINING BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 3, 2026**

**PRESENT:** Lisa Bader, PTA, Kate Brewer, PT; Brad Bulkow, PT; Steven Johnson, PT

**ABSENT:** Todd McEldowney

**STAFF:** Tom Ryan, Executive Director; Jameson Whitney, Legal Counsel; Sofia Anderson, Administrative Rule Coordinator; Ashley Sarnosky, Board Administration Specialist; and other Department Staff

**CALL TO ORDER**

Steven Johnson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. A quorum was confirmed with four (4) members present.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Amendments to the Agenda:**

- *Item G. to read “compact privilege process clarification”*

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Kate Brewer, to adopt the Agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 5, 2025**

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Brad Bulkow, to approve the Minutes of November 5, 2025, as published. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**Election of Officers**

*Chairperson*

**NOMINATION:** Kate Brewer nominated Steven Johnson for the Office of Chairperson. Steven Johnson accepted the nomination.

Tom Ryan, Executive Director, called for nominations three (3) times.

Steven Johnson was elected as Chairperson by unanimous voice vote.

*Vice Chairperson*

**NOMINATION:** Steven Johnson nominated Kate Brewer for the Office of Vice Chairperson. Kate Brewer accepted the nomination.

Tom Ryan, Executive Director, called for nominations three (3) times.

Kate Brewer was elected as Vice Chairperson by unanimous voice vote.

*Secretary*

**NOMINATION:** Kate Brewer nominated Brad Bulkow for the Office of Secretary. Brad Bulkow accepted the nomination.

Tom Ryan, Executive Director, called for nominations three (3) times.

Brad Bulkow was elected as Secretary by unanimous voice vote.

2026 ELECTION RESULTS	
<b>Chairperson</b>	Steven Johnson
<b>Vice Chairperson</b>	Kate Brewer
<b>Secretary</b>	Brad Bulkow

**Appointment of Liaisons and Alternates**

LIAISON APPOINTMENTS	
<b>Credentialing Liaison(s)</b>	Brad Bulkow, Kate Brewer <i>Alternate:</i> Steven Johnson
<b>Education and Examinations Liaison(s)</b>	Lisa Bader, Brad Bulkow
<b>Monitoring Liaison(s)</b>	Steven Johnson, Todd McEldowney <i>Alternate:</i> Kate Brewer
<b>Professional Assistance Procedure (PAP) Liaison(s)</b>	Steven Johnson <i>Alternate:</i> Lisa Bader
<b>Legislative Liaison(s)</b>	Steven Johnson <i>Alternate:</i> Brad Bulkow
<b>Travel Authorization Liaison(s)</b>	Steven Johnson <i>Alternate:</i> Kate Brewer
<b>Website Liaison(s)</b>	Brad Bulkow , Todd McEldowney <i>Alternate:</i> Steven Johnson
<b>Compact Liaison</b>	Kate Brewer <i>Alternate:</i> Brad Bulkow
<b>Screening Panel</b>	Lisa Bader, Steven Johnson <i>Alternate:</i> Kate Brewer

**Delegation of Authorities**

**Compact Liaison(s) Delegation, Amended**

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Kate Brewer, to delegate to the Compact Liaison the authority to act and answer questions on any matters related to the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact, **and to also serve as the representative to the Physical Therapy Compact Commission.** Motion carried unanimously.

## Review and Approval of 2025 Delegations including new modifications

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Kate Brewer, to reaffirm all delegation motions made in 2025, as reflected in the February 3, 2026 agenda materials, which were not otherwise modified or amended during the February 3, 2026 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

### 9:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING – CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 25-089: PT 1 AND 5, RELATING TO TELEHEALTH AND SUPERVISION OF PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSISTANTS

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Kate Brewer, to accept all Clearinghouse comments for Clearinghouse Rule 25-089 (PT 1 and 5), relating to telehealth and supervision of physical therapist assistants. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Lisa Bader, to authorize the Chairperson (or in absence of the Chairperson, the highest-ranking officer or longest serving board member in that succession) to approve the Legislative Notice and Final Rule Draft for Clearinghouse Rule 25-089 (PT 1 and 5), relating to telehealth and supervision of physical therapist assistants, for submission to the Governor’s Office for approval. Once Approval is received, DSPS is authorized to submit Final Rule Draft to LRB for Publication and provide the Legislature with required notice. Motion carried unanimously.

### 9:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING – CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 25-090: PT 1, RELATING TO COMPACT PRIVILEGE PROCESS CLARIFICATION

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Kate Brewer, to accept all Clearinghouse comments for Clearinghouse Rule 25-090 (PT 1), relating to compact privilege process clarification. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Lisa Bader, to authorize the Chairperson (or in absence of the Chairperson, the highest-ranking officer or longest serving board member in that succession) to approve the Legislative Notice and Final Rule Draft for Clearinghouse Rule 25-090 (PT 1), relating to compact privilege process clarification, for submission to the Governor’s Office for approval. Once Approval is received, DSPS is authorized to submit Final Rule Draft to LRB for Publication and provide the Legislature with required notice. Motion carried unanimously.

## ADMINISTRATIVE RULE MATTERS

### Scope Statement: PT 9, Relating to Continuing Education Providers

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Brad Bulkow, to approve the Scope Statement revising PT 9, relating to continuing education providers, for submission to the Department of Administration and Governor’s Office and for publication. Additionally, the Board authorizes the Chairperson to approve the Scope Statement for implementation no less than 10 days after publication. If the Board is directed to hold a preliminary public hearing on the Scope Statement, the Chairperson is authorized to approve the required notice of hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

## FEDERATION OF STATE BOARDS OF PHYSICAL THERAPY (FSBPT) MATTERS

### Leadership Issues Forum – July 18-19, 2026 – Arlington, VA

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Brad Bulkow, to designate Steven Johnson and Brad Bulkow as the alternate to attend the FSBPT Leadership Issues Forum on July 18-19, 2026 in Arlington, VA. Motion carried unanimously.

### Annual Education Meeting – October 22-24, 2026 – Greenville, SC

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Kate Brewer, to designate Steven Johnson to and Kate Brewer as the alternate to attend the FSBPT Annual Education Meeting on October 22-24, 2026 in Greenville, SC. Motion carried unanimously.

### CLOSED SESSION

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Lisa Bader, to convene to Closed Session to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.); to consider licensure or certification of individuals (s. 19.85(1)(b), Stats.); to consider closing disciplinary investigations with administrative warnings (ss. 19.85(1)(b), Stats. and 440.205, Stats.); to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85(1)(f), Stats.); and to confer with legal counsel (s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats.). Steven Johnson, Chairperson, read the language of the motion aloud for the record. The vote of each member was ascertained by voice vote. Roll Call Vote: Lisa Bader-yes; Kate Brewer-yes; Brad Bulkow-yes; and Steven Johnson-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board convened into Closed Session at 10:01 a.m.

### DELIBERATION ON DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES AND COMPLIANCE (DLSC) MATTERS

#### Case Closings

#### *25 PHT 0018 – M.J.B.*

**MOTION:** Kate Brewer moved, seconded by Steven Johnson, to close DLSC Case Number 25 PHT 0018, against M.J.B., for Insufficient Evidence. Motion carried unanimously.

### RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Brad Bulkow, to reconvene into Open Session. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 10:14 a.m.

### VOTE ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION IF VOTING IS APPROPRIATE

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Kate Brewer, to affirm all motions made and votes taken in Closed Session. Motion carried unanimously.

*(Be advised that any recusals or abstentions reflected in the Closed Session motions stand for the purposes of the affirmation vote.)*

**DELEGATION AND RATIFICATION OF EXAMINATIONS,  
LICENSES AND CERTIFICATES**

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Brad Bulkow, to delegate ratification of examination results to DSPS staff and to delegate and ratify all licenses and certificates as issued. Motion carried unanimously.

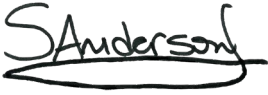
**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Steven Johnson moved, seconded by Lisa Bader, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

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**AGENDA REQUEST FORM**

<b>1) Name and title of person submitting the request:</b> Sofia Anderson – Administrative Rules Coordinator		<b>2) Date when request submitted:</b> 05/01/2026	
Items will be considered late if submitted after 12:00 p.m. on the deadline date which is 8 business days before the meeting			
<b>3) Name of Board, Committee, Council, Sections:</b> Physical Therapy Examining Board			
<b>4) Meeting Date:</b> May 13, 2026	<b>5) Attachments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<b>6) How should the item be titled on the agenda page?</b> 9:00 A.M. Preliminary Public Hearing – Scope Statement 016-26: PT 9, relating to continuing education providers.  1. Review Public Hearing Comments.	
<b>7) Place Item in:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open Session <input type="checkbox"/> Closed Session	<b>8) Is an appearance before the Board being scheduled?</b> <i>(If yes, please complete <a href="#">Appearance Request</a> for Non-DSPS Staff)</i>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<b>9) Name of Case Advisor(s), if required:</b> N/A	
<b>10) Describe the issue and action that should be addressed:</b>  The Board will hold a Preliminary Public Hearing on this scope as directed by the Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules (JCRAR) pursuant to s. 227.136 (1), Stats.			
<b>11) Authorization</b>			
		05/01/2026	
Signature of person making this request		Date	
Supervisor (if required)		Date	
Executive Director signature (indicates approval to add post agenda deadline item to agenda)    Date			
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## Notice of Preliminary Hearing on Statement of Scope

The Physical Therapy Examining Board announces that it will hold a preliminary public hearing on Statement of Scope 016-26 for PT 9, relating to continuing education requirements. The type of proposed rule is permanent. In accordance with s. 227.136, Stats., the Physical Therapy Examining Board is seeking public comment and feedback on Statement of Scope 016-26, at the time and place shown below.

### Hearing Information

Date: May 13, 2026

Time: 09:00 AM

Location: Information concerning the location of the hearing will be available at:  
<https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/BoardsCouncils/PT/Meetings.aspx>

### Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

Persons wishing to provide oral or written comments regarding the Statement of Scope for the proposed administrative rule may appear during the hearing.

Written comments may be submitted to Sofia Anderson, Administrative Rules Coordinator, Department of Safety and Professional Services, Division of Policy Development, P.O. Box 8366, Madison Wisconsin 53708-8366 or by email to [DSPSAdminRules@wisconsin.gov](mailto:DSPSAdminRules@wisconsin.gov).

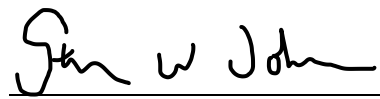
The Statement of Scope may be reviewed and comments made at [https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/scope\\_statements/comment](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/scope_statements/comment).

Comments must be received at or before the public hearing.

### Agency Contact Person

Sofia Anderson, Administrative Rules Coordinator, [DSPSAdminRules@wisconsin.gov](mailto:DSPSAdminRules@wisconsin.gov)

This Notice of Preliminary Hearing on Statement of Scope is approved by:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson

3/20/2026  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# STATEMENT OF SCOPE

## PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINING BOARD

Rule No.: PT 9

Relating to: Continuing education requirements

Rule Type: Permanent

### 1. Finding/nature of emergency (Emergency Rule only):

N/A

### 2. Detailed description of the objective of the proposed rule:

The Board would like to review the continuing education requirements to evaluate whether the current provisions and standards reflect current standards for continuing education programs. The Board may also perform a comprehensive review of chapter PT 9 to ensure that the language is clear and up to date with current standards of practice.

### 3. Description of the existing policies relevant to the rule, new policies proposed to be included in the rule, and an analysis of policy alternatives:

The Board has identified the need to review chapter PT 9 due to changes in the landscape of professional continuing education programs and courses for physical therapists and physical therapist assistants. The Board would like to ensure that the current requirements for acceptable continuing education credits and the mechanisms for course approval reflect these changes while maintaining the integrity and quality standards necessary to protect public health and safety.

Chapter PT 9 currently establishes the foundational requirements for the renewal of professional licenses held by physical therapists and physical therapist assistants, focusing specifically on continuing education. This chapter details the minimum number of continuing education hours required for renewal, outlines the specific criteria for what constitutes acceptable subject matter, and defines the procedures for the approval of continuing education programs and courses. Additionally, PT 9 addresses documentation requirements for licensees and sets forth the rules and processes related to granting extensions or waivers of the continuing education requirements under specific circumstances.

The alternative is not to review and potentially update chapter PT 9, which may leave existing requirements misaligned with new standards of practice, directly impeding professional development and growth within the physical therapy field.

### 4. Detailed explanation of statutory authority for the rule (including the statutory citation and language):

Section 15.08 (5) (b), Stats., provides that an examining board “[s]hall promulgate rules for its own guidance and for the guidance of the trade or profession to which it pertains, and define and enforce professional conduct and unethical practices not inconsistent with the law relating to the particular trade or profession.”

Section 227.11 (2) (a), Stats., provides that “[e]ach agency may promulgate rules interpreting the provisions of any statute enforced or administered by the agency, if the agency considers it necessary to effectuate the purpose of the statute...”

**5. Estimate of amount of time that state employees will spend developing the rule and of other resources necessary to develop the rule:**

80 hours

**6. List with description of all entities that may be affected by the proposed rule:**

Licensed physical therapists and physical therapist assistants.

**7. Summary and preliminary comparison with any existing or proposed federal regulation that is intended to address the activities to be regulated by the proposed rule:**

None

**8. Anticipated economic impact of implementing the rule (note if the rule is likely to have a significant economic impact on small businesses):**

The proposed rule will have minimal to no economic impact on small businesses and the state's economy as a whole.

**Contact Person:** Sofia Anderson, [DSPSAdminRules@wisconsin.gov](mailto:DSPSAdminRules@wisconsin.gov)

Approved for publication:



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Authorized Signature

2/6/2026

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Date Submitted

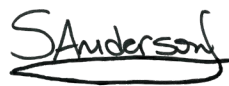
Approved for implementation:

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Authorized Signature

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Date Submitted

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**AGENDA REQUEST FORM**

<b>1) Name and title of person submitting the request:</b> Sofia Anderson, Administrative Rules Coordinator		<b>2) Date when request submitted:</b> 05/01/2026 <small>Items will be considered late if submitted after 12:00 p.m. on the deadline date which is 8 business days before the meeting</small>	
<b>3) Name of Board, Committee, Council, Sections:</b> Physical Therapy Examining Board			
<b>4) Meeting Date:</b> May 13, 2026	<b>5) Attachments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<b>6) How should the item be titled on the agenda page?</b> Administrative Rule Matters – Discussion and Consideration 1. Pending or Possible Rulemaking Projects.	
<b>7) Place Item in:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open Session <input type="checkbox"/> Closed Session	<b>8) Is an appearance before the Board being scheduled?</b> <i>(If yes, please complete <a href="#">Appearance Request</a> for Non-DSPS Staff)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<b>9) Name of Case Advisor(s), if required:</b> N/A	
<b>10) Describe the issue and action that should be addressed:</b>  Attachments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physical Therapy Rules Chart</li> </ul>			
<b>11) Authorization</b>			
 Signature of person making this request		05/01/2026 Date	
Supervisor (if required)		Date	
Executive Director signature (indicates approval to add post agenda deadline item to agenda) Date			
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**Physical Therapy Examining Board  
Rule Projects (updated 05/01/2026)**

Clearinghouse Rule Number	Scope #	Scope Expiration	Code Chapter Affected	Relating clause	Synopsis	Current Stage	Next Step
	005-24	07/16/2026	PT 1 and 5	Telehealth and supervision of Physical Therapist Assistants	The Board's primary objective is to review the supervision requirements in chapter PT 5 in order to bring it up to current standards of practice in supervising physical therapist assistants according to new telehealth practice. The Board will also conduct a comprehensive review of chapter PT 1 and 5 to implement the changes of 2021 Wisconsin Act 121 and make revisions to ensure statutory compliance.	Legislative review.	Publication in the Administrative Register to adopt the rule.
	010-25	08/24/2027	PT 1	Compact privilege process clarification	The Board's objective is to clarify and update the language in the compact privilege process in order to comply with the process established by the PT Compact Commission.	Submitted to Governor's Office for review on February 12, 2026. Still pending approval.	Submission to Legislature for review.
			PT 9	Continuing education providers	The Board would like to review the continuing education requirements to evaluate whether the current provisions and standards reflect current standards for continuing education programs. The Board may also perform a comprehensive review of chapter PT 9 to ensure that the language is clear and up to date with current standards of practice.	Preliminary public hearing on the scope statement at the May meeting.	Implement the scope statement and drafting of the rule.

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**AGENDA REQUEST FORM**

1) Name and title of person submitting the request: Michele Thorman, Vice President, Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy		2) Date when request submitted: 2/6/2026 Items will be considered late if submitted after 12:00 p.m. on the deadline date which is 8 business days before the meeting	
3) Name of Board, Committee, Council, Sections: Physical Therapy Examining Board			
4) Meeting Date: 5/13/2026	5) Attachments: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6) How should the item be titled on the agenda page? Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) Presentation and Discussion – APPEARANCE – Michele Thorman, Vice President, FSBPT Board of Directors and Liaison to the Wisconsin Physical Therapy Examining Board and Leslie Adrian, FSBPT Director of Professional Standards	
7) Place Item in: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open Session <input type="checkbox"/> Closed Session	8) Is an appearance before the Board being scheduled? <i>(If yes, please complete <a href="#">Appearance Request</a> for Non-DSPS Staff)</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes Michele Thorman <input type="checkbox"/> No	9) Name of Case Advisor(s), if applicable: N/A	
10) Describe the issue and action that should be addressed: A presentation from the FSBPT will be provided, followed by discussion with the Board.			
11) <span style="float: right;">Authorization</span> <hr/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span><i>Tom Ryan</i></span> <span>2/6/2026</span> </div> <hr/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>Signature of person making this request</span> <span>Date</span> </div> <hr/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>Supervisor (Only required for post agenda deadline items)</span> <span>Date</span> </div> <hr/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>Executive Director signature (Indicates approval for post agenda deadline items)</span> <span>Date</span> </div>			
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1) Name and title of person submitting the request: Tom Ryan		2) Date when request submitted: 2/13/2026 Items will be considered late if submitted after 12:00 p.m. on the deadline date which is 8 business days before the meeting	
3) Name of Board, Committee, Council, Sections:  Choose an item.			
4) Meeting Date: 5/13/2026	5) Attachments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	6) How should the item be titled on the agenda page? 2025 Physical Therapy Examining Board Annual Report – Board Review	
7) Place Item in: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open Session <input type="checkbox"/> Closed Session	8) Is an appearance before the Board being scheduled? <i>(If yes, please complete <a href="#">Appearance Request</a> for Non-DSPS Staff)</i>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	9) Name of Case Advisor(s), if applicable: N/A	
10) Describe the issue and action that should be addressed: The Board will review the 2025 Annual Report and consider a motion to approve it.			
11) Authorization			
<i>Tom Ryan</i>		<i>2/13/2026</i>	
Signature of person making this request		Date	
Supervisor (Only required for post agenda deadline items)		Date	
Executive Director signature (Indicates approval for post agenda deadline items)		Date	
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## Wisconsin Physical Therapy Examining Board 2025 Annual Report

- **Board Members in 2025:** Barbara Carter, PTA (Black River Falls) completed her service in 2025; Lisa Bader, PTA (La Crosse) appointed in 2025; Todd McEldowney, Public Member (Rhinelander); Brad Bulkow, PT (Milwaukee); Kate Brewer, PT (Milwaukee) and Steve Johnson, PT (La Crosse).
- **Officers in 2025:** Steve Johnson (Chair), Kate Brewer (Vice Chair), and Brad Bulkow (Secretary)
- **2025 Liaison Appointments:**
  - Credentialing – Brad Bulkow, Kate Brewer (Alternate – Steve Johnson)
  - Monitoring – Todd McEldowney, Steve Johnson (Alternate – Kate Brewer)
  - Education and Exams – Steve Johnson, Brad Bulkow
  - Legislative – Steve Johnson (Alternate – Brad Bulkow)
  - Travel – Steve Johnson (Alternate – Kate Brewer)
  - Website – Brad Bulkow, Todd McEldowney (Alternate – Steve Johnson)
  - Professional Assistance Procedure – Steve Johnson (Alternate – Todd McEldowney)
  - Screening Panel – Todd McEldowney, Steve Johnson (Alternate – Kate Brewer)
  - Licensure Compact – Kate Brewer (Alternate – Brad Bulkow)
- **Administrative Rules:**
  - The Board has approved development of a Preliminary Rule Draft: PT 1 and 5, relating to telehealth and supervision of PTAs
  - The Board has approved development of a Preliminary Rule Draft: PT 1, relating to compact privilege process clarification
  - The Board is deliberating a rulemaking project, PT 9, relating to continuing education providers
- **Conferences, Trainings and Special Meetings:**
  - Steve Johnson (delegate) and Tom Ryan (Executive Director) attended the 2025 FSBPT Leadership Issues Forum (LIF) – July 19-20, 2025 in Arlington, VA.
  - Steve Johnson (delegate) attended the 2025 FSBPT Annual Meeting and Delegate Assembly – October 23-25, 2025 in Spokane, WA
- **Licensing Activity:**

	<b>PT</b>	<b>PTA</b>
Applications Received	733	146
Licenses Issued	520	90
License Renewals	7091	2123
	<b>PT</b>	<b>PTA</b>
<b>Bridge Licenses Issued (Act 10)</b>	10	2
<b>Predetermination reviews</b>	0	1

- **Enforcement Activity (PT and PTA):**

- **Complaints received: 27**

- Source of complaints received (*Note: A complaint may have more than one source*):

- Consumer: 4
- Employer: 4
- Professional Organization: 0
- Self: 1
- Wisconsin Department of Health Services: 9
- State: 7 (GA Board – 4, MN Board – 1, TX Board - 2)
- Family: 2
- Inmate: 0
- Insurance Company: 0
- Co Worker: 3
- Youth Sports Organization: 1

- **Number of respondents involved: 29**

- **Number of these cases opened for investigation: 12**

- **Total cases/respondents closed: 25**

- *Note: Cases closed in 2025 may have been received in previous years.*

- Closed at screening: 17
- Closed after investigation: 2
- Closed After Legal Action: 3 (Administrative Warnings)
- Closed with formal action: 3

- **Cases pending as of January 2025: 11** (*Note: Cases pending = status of open for investigation, open for legal action, hearing*)

- **Projects for 2026:**

- Explore the feasibility of implementing the FSBPT ID, which would create an opportunity for Wisconsin to participate more fully in the Examination, Licensure, and Disciplinary Database (ELDD) and advance the Board’s consumer protection mission.
- Focus on outreach to increase awareness of the PTEB and to advance its mission. Continue to engage with the FSBPT. Participation in the Fall 2026 American Public Therapy Association – Wisconsin Chapter professional conference is anticipated.
- Continue rulemaking projects regarding telehealth and supervision of PTA’s, compact privilege process clarification, and continuing education.