

TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control_700_ Department or Agency Alabama Board of Physical Therapy
Rule No. 700-X-3-.05
Rule Title: Display of License

_____ New X Amend _____ Repeal _____ Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? _____ NO

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? _____ YES

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? _____ NO

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? _____ NO

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? _____ N/A

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? _____ YES

Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? _____ NO

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service.

Signature of certifying officer Glenn A. Davis
Date July 3, 2013

ALABAMA BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

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AGENCY NAME: Alabama Board of Physical Therapy

RULE NO. & TITLE: 700-X-3-.05(d) Display of License

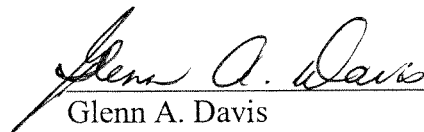
INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Board of Physical Therapy proposes to amend the rule pertaining to the display of license; specifically to require physical therapist students or physical therapist assistant students to be properly identified when in a clinical affiliation where they will be in contact with patients.

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The proposed amendment to rule 700-X-3-.03(d) will require physical therapist students and physical therapist assistant students to wear a name tag while in a clinical affiliation where they will be in contact with patients.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Interested persons may present their views in writing or in person through the close of business on August 10, 2013. Those wishing to present views in person should contact the Board of Physical Therapy at 334/242-4064.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: August 10, 2013.

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700-X-3-.05 Display Of License.

(a) Each physical therapist and physical therapist assistant shall at all times display conspicuously before the public in his/her primary place of employment the license issued by this Board.

(b) Licensees shall be identified as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant in a legible manner to individuals that come in contact with them during the provision of physical therapy services. The appropriate credentials, Physical Therapist or Physical Therapist assistant, or the appropriate abbreviations, PT or PTA, shall be displayed on their person via proper identification. Non-licensed physical therapy support personnel shall be identified as a physical therapy aide in a legible manner to individuals that come in contact with them while working under the supervision of a PT/PTA. Primary identification as a physical therapy aide may be followed by other license credentials or certifications. Proper identification includes, but is not limited to, embroidery, clip-ons, paper nametags, name badges, or other appropriate means. This rule shall be effective as of January 1, 2011.

(c) There shall at all times be prominently displayed in the place of business of each licensee under this Act a sign containing the name, mailing address, and telephone number of this Board.

(d) Students shall be identified as a physical therapist student or a physical therapist assistant student in a legible manner, when in a clinical affiliation arrangement and will be in contact with patients. This may be achieved by the student wearing the name tag given to them by the educational institution they are enrolled in or by wearing a name tag issued by the clinical institution they are assigned to. The name tag must identify them as a physical therapist student or a physical therapist assistant student.

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History: Filed September 30, 1982. **Amended:** Filed November 29, 1989. **Amended:** Filed February 6, 1997; effective March 17, 1997. **Amended:** Filed October 20, 2010; effective December 3, 2010.