

**LOUISIANA
PHYSICAL THERAPY
BOARD**

**2022
ANNUAL
REPORT**



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Board Members and Locations

The board is comprised of eight members who are all appointed by the Governor of the state of Louisiana for a three-year term. Each appointment by the governor is submitted to the Senate for confirmation. No person may be appointed to the board if they have served for more than two consecutive three-year terms (La R.S. 37:2403.F).

Judith Halverson, PT - Chairman

LHA Nominee | New Orleans | 2nd term | 1/12/18-1/11/24

Katie Brittain, PT - Secretary/Treasurer

At-Large | Lake Charles | 2nd term | 9/7/18-9/6/24

Dr. Meredith Warner, MD - Member

LMS Nominee | Baton Rouge | 2nd term | 1/5/18-1/4/24

Phillip Page, PT - Member

At-Large | Baton Rouge | 2nd term | 9/18/18-9/17/24

John Marius, PTA - Member

At-Large | New Orleans | 1st term | 7/17/20-7/16/23

Oday Lavergne, PT - Member

APTA-LA Nominee | Alexandria | 1st term | 7/17/23-7/16/23

Tyra Mitchell, PT - Member

At-Large | New Orleans | 1st term | 9/15/20-9/14/23

Deandra Johnson-Narcisse M. Ed - Member

Consumer Member At-Large | New Orleans | 1st term | 11/11/22-11/11/25

Advisory Committee of the Board

The board may appoint an Advisory Committee not to exceed nine members to assist in the review of applicants' qualifications for licensure; conduct applicant interviews; review continuing education activities and courses; and other duties deemed necessary by the board (Rule §109.B).

Michael Hildebrand, PT.

Monroe/Outpatient

Jon Jeremy Dye, PT

Shreveport/Hospital Outpatient

Christopher Franks, PT

Lake Charles/Hospital Outpatient

Ben McRae, PTA

Monroe/Outpatient

Marie Vazquez Morgan, PT

Shreveport/Academia

Michael Laudadio, PT

Boerne, TX/Extended Care

Lindsey Robinson, PT

New Orleans/Hospital

Jason Douglas, PT

Thibodaux/Hospital Outpatient

Staff Members of the Board

The board may employ an executive director and necessary clerical assistance to carry out the administrative work of the board, fix the compensation thereof, and incur other necessary expenses. (La R.S. 37:2405.B(5))

Charlotte Martin- Executive Director

2/24/2014 start date

Jessica Atwell- Assistant Executive Director

1/22/2018 start date

Danielle Linzer- Licensing Analyst 2

12/2/2013 start date

Stephanie Boudreaux- Compliance Officer

2/1/2015 start date

Jasmynn Charles- Administrative Assistant

6/11/2022 start date

Financials

The Board operates on self-generated funds and financials are reported on a fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
INCOME	\$1,101,630.76	\$1,007,101.60
EXPENSES	\$823,532.14	\$829,738.28
NET INCOME	\$278,098.62	\$177,318.32

About the Board

PURPOSE

We regulate the practice of physical therapy in Louisiana by only licensing individuals who minimally qualify to practice physical therapy and responding to complaints regarding the conduct of the individuals who hold a privilege to practice or are licensed by our board. We do this for the citizens of Louisiana, so that recipients of physical therapy care have the opportunity to improve their health in a safe environment.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Physical Therapy Practice Act

Several sections of the Louisiana Physical Therapy Practice Act (La R.S.37:2401-2424) cause confusion for licensees practicing physical therapy in the state of Louisiana. Several statutes have been brought to the attention of the Louisiana Physical Therapy Board as problematic to the practice and/or are outdated. As a result, the board is proactively requesting input from the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy, state professional association, and a survey to the entire licensing population for input on any and all statutes that are problematic in the practice of physical therapy to be sure the list of issues identified is comprehensive at the time the board initiates conversations to amend these statutes. Once the analysis is completed, the board will be asking for the assistance of legislators to present these changes for consideration to make updates.

Practitioners in Louisiana

LICENSE RENEWALS

The key objective of licensing is to only license individuals who are qualified to practice physical therapy, per statute and rule, while identifying and eliminating unnecessary barriers to entry for qualified individuals. The key activities performed include receiving information for initial license application, reinstatement application, and renewal applications. For all applicants initially applying for a license in Louisiana, an FBI background check is performed. The board maintains a database of licensees and displays license information on a website for public access.

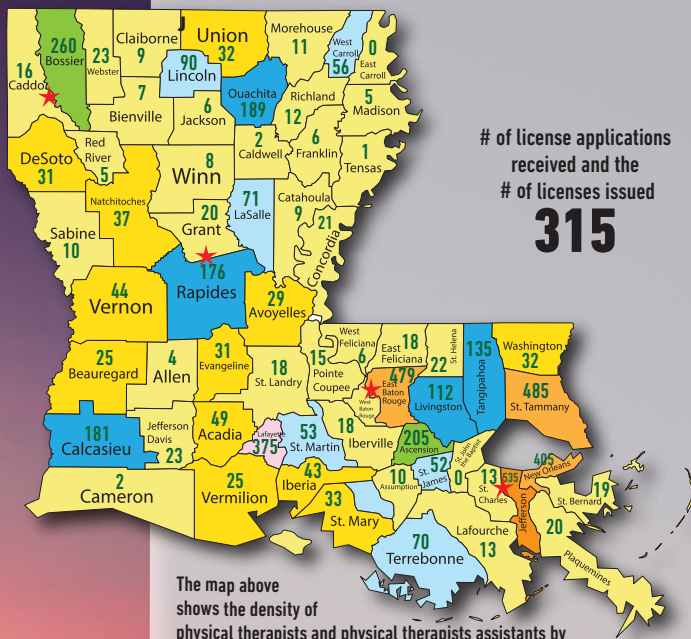
2022 Actual PT	2022 Actual PTA
1687	789
Total 2476 (2653 eligible)	

2022 COMPACT PRIVILEGES

In 2018, the PT Licensure Compact was established through the legislature to improve portability in the physical therapy profession. On July 22, 2019, Louisiana became an active member state issuing privileges to individuals who wish to practice in Louisiana through a Compact Privilege, rather than obtaining a license. Below is a chart to show how many compact privileges were purchased in 2022.

Compact Privileges	
Initial PT	Initial PTA
105	45
Renewal PT	Renewal PTA
37	15
Total 202	

PT/PTAs by parish



The map above shows the density of physical therapists and physical therapists assistants by parish based upon their reported home address. The red stars indicate the location of PT/PTA programs in the state.

Timeline for Approval
 Within 7 business days of receipt of a complete application.

PT and PTA Academic Programs

- Bossier Parish Community College | Bossier City | Physical Therapist Assistant Program
- Delgado Community College | New Orleans | Physical Therapist Assistant Program
- Franciscan Ministries (formerly OLOL) | Baton Rouge | Physical Therapy Program (accreditation pending)
- Franciscan Ministries (formerly OLOL) | Baton Rouge | Physical Therapist Assistant Program
- Louisiana Christian University | Pineville | Physical Therapist Assistant Program
- LSU Health Science Center | Shreveport | Doctorate of Physical Therapy (DPT)
- LSU Health Science Center | New Orleans | Physical Therapy Program

By Parish

PARISH	LICENSES ISSUED	LICENSURE RENEWAL APPROVALS
Out of State	58	140
Acadia	1	20
Ascension	7	1
Assumption	1	89
Avoyelles	1	6
Beauregard	0	14
Bienville	0	13
Bossier	12	3
Caddo	16	123
Calcasieu	5	151
Caldwell	0	93
Catahoula	1	3
Concordia	0	2
De Soto	2	3
East Baton Rouge	20	12
East Feliciana	1	18
Evangeline	0	221
Franklin	0	10
Grant	0	15
Iberia	1	4
Iberville	3	10
Jackson	1	26
Jefferson	64	7
Jefferson Davis	3	1
La Salle	0	237
Lafayette	13	8
LaFourche	4	5
Lincoln	6	173
Livingston	5	32
Madison	0	38
Morehouse	1	48
Natchitoches	2	3
Orleans	18	5
Ouachita	9	22
Plaquemines	1	185
Pointe Coupee	0	87
Rapides	8	10
Red River	2	10
Richland	0	83
Sabine	2	7
St. Bernard	2	5
St. Charles	0	13
St. Helena	0	27
St. James	2	10
St. John the Baptist	0	7
St. Landry	4	32
St. Martin	0	16
St. Mary	1	5
St. Tammany	14	231
Tangipahoa	8	61
Terrebonne	4	1
Union	1	33
Vermillion	1	12
Vernon	1	20
Washington	3	12
Webster	3	14
West Baton Rouge	2	23
West Carroll	0	9
West Feliciana	0	4
Winn	1	3

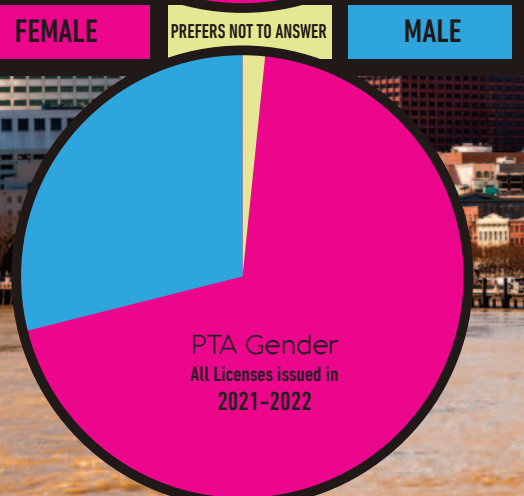
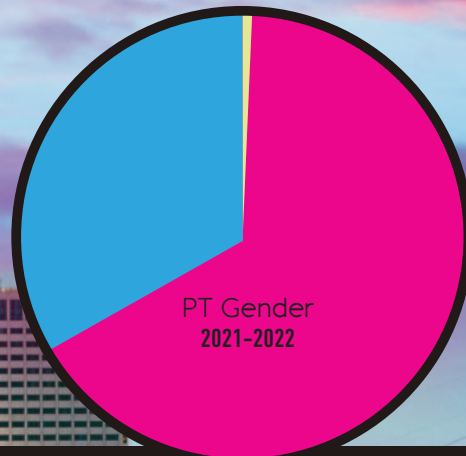
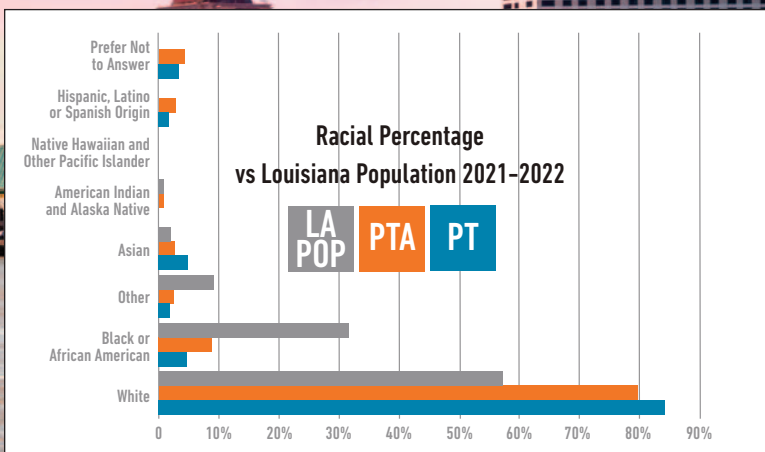
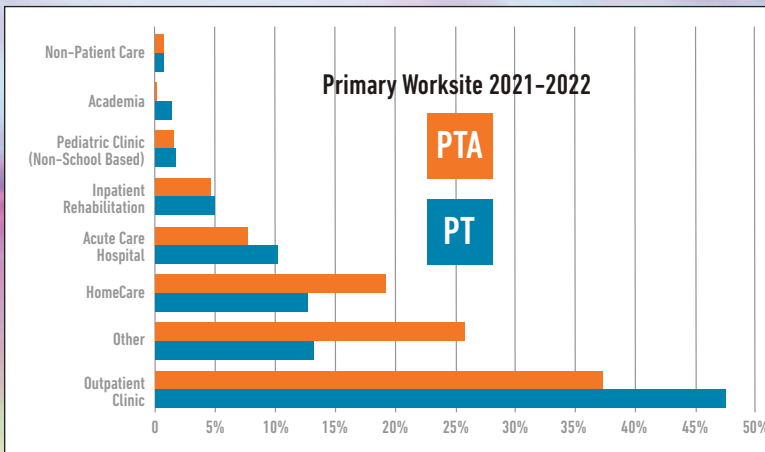
TOTAL 315 2476

Physical Therapists to whom the Board issued licenses during the year, 2022

Abshire, Alexis	PT	Delord, Meredith	PT	McKean, Kaleigh	PT	Verret, Tori	PT
Aguillard, Hunter	PT	Deon, Joshua	PT	McLellan, Taylor	PT	Voss, Zachary	PT
Ahmad, Iftikhar	PT	Dherai, Bhakti	PT	McMillen, Jason	PT	Walker, Sheri	PT
Alaichamy, Tara	PT	Dizacomo, Devlin	PT	Meijer, Erik	PT	Warner, Kolter	PT
Alphonso, Eric	PT	Doles, Keli	PT	Michalove, David	PT	Warner, Tara	PT
Andries, Madelyn	PT	Dorking, Savannah	PT	Michalove, Kelly	PT	Warren, Coranisha	PT
Angeleri, Briana	PT	Dunbar, Sydney	PT	Miller, Alexandra	PT	Watlington, Patrick	PT
Arceneaux, Emily	PT	Dupont, Calli	PT	Milligan, Mark	PT	Wells, Ashley	PT
Arevalo, Darryl	PT	Fletcher, Treslyn	PT	Milner, Elizabeth	PT	Werner, Samantha	PT
Arnold, Remy	PT	Foster, Devon	PT	Mobyed, Robert	PT	Widder, Jaclyn	PT
Arrechavala, Christina	PT	Francois, Emily	PT	Morgan, Matthew	PT	Wiemelt, Griffin	PT
Asman, Karen Therese	PT	Frey, Callie	PT	Nagin, Victoria	PT	Workman, Caroline	PT
Authement, Catherine	PT	Frick, Kailey	PT	Nero, Marina	PT	Wright, Abigail	PT
Ayala, Azahy	PT	Fulmer, Brittany	PT	Newton, Jamairous	PT	Youngman, Dillon	PT
Badinger, Cameron	PT	Gamad, Bernhardt	PT	Nguyen, Tram	PT	Youngs Grand, Kimberly	PT
Bailey, Lauren	PT	Gammada, Kennasa	PT	Nhieu, Edward	PT	Zavalydriga, John	PT
Battaglia, Emily	PT	Gibson, Sarah	PT	Nolan, Bridget	PT		
Becnel, Ashley	PT	Giglio, Haleigh	PT	O'Neill, Kiley	PT		
Bennett, Jody	PT	Glenn, Cailyn	PT	Odor, Gabrielle	PT		
Bertrand, Mariah	PT	Green, Kelly	PT	Oommen, Tessy	PT		
Bertrand, Nicholas	PT	Greenberg, Jamie	PT	Pace, Kelsey	PT		
Bickham, Katherine	PT	Greene, Hailey	PT	Potena, Domenica	PT		
Bigelow, John	PT	Greenman, Dylan	PT	Priola, Sydney	PT		
Billiot, Shaina	PT	Guerrero, Pablo	PT	Reed, Brittica	PT		
Bob, Rondell	PT	Guidry, Carl	PT	Revelle, Megan	PT		
Boudreaux, Bailey	PT	Guilbeau, Traci	PT	Roelofs, Jacqueline	PT		
Bourgeois, Alex	PT	Hale, Stevi	PT	Romero, Joseph	PT		
Boyd, Timothy	PT	Hatten, Dustin	PT	Rowland, Madison	PT		
Brasher, Kelsey	PT	Hayden, Ashley	PT	Sabathe, Danielle	PT		
Braswell, James	PT	Head, Ciara	PT	Salter, Jon	PT		
Braud, Emily	PT	Hemphill, Anna	PT	Satterwhite, Courtland	PT		
Broggi, Christen	PT	Henderson, Austin	PT	Sauter, Andrew	PT		
Brown, Christy	PT	Hodnett, Kylie	PT	Schipper, Jacob	PT		
Brunner, Catherine	PT	Holske, Marissa	PT	Schmidt, Morgan	PT		
Burch, Jennifer	PT	Hood, John	PT	Schuler, Kaleb	PT		
Byers, Casey	PT	Hunt, Aaron	PT	Seidel, Rachel	PT		
Callaway, Lisa	PT	Idom, Kelsey	PT	Sharp, Justin	PT		
Cargill, David	PT	Ihm, Sheri	PT	Shirley, Rebekah	PT		
Carter, Isaiah	PT	Ingram, Lydia	PT	Simon, Brandon	PT		
Carter, Sarah	PT	Istre, Kevin	PT	Smith, Matthew	PT		
Caruso, Emily	PT	Jessee, Brittany	PT	Spann, Laura	PT		
Cary, Elizabeth	PT	Jones, Megan	PT	Speeg, Alyssa	PT		
Caston, Arcia	PT	Kieffer, Kacie	PT	Speligene, Devin	PT		
Castro, Dylan	PT	Kihnley, Gina	PT	Stanfield, Andrew	PT		
Cemenja, Sabrije	PT	Klibert, Brandon	PT	Stanfield, Ellen	PT		
Cepeda, Donna	PT	Klos, Alyssa	PT	Stringfellow, Madeline	PT		
Christmas, Emily	PT	Kneip, Austin	PT	Sutherland, Kelsey	PT		
Clark, Matthew	PT	Ladner, Jackson	PT	Tan, James	PT		
Clark, Olivia	PT	Lambert, Callie	PT	Taylor, Jordan	PT		
Claverie, Jordan	PT	Lambert, Raelynn	PT	Temonia, Ellie	PT		
Cloud, Katie	PT	Lane, Alexandra	PT	Theriot, Jordan	PT		
Coats, Mason	PT	Lanford, Ashlynn	PT	Thibodeaux, Alexis	PT		
Cole, Rebekah	PT	Lang, Caitlin	PT	Thompson, Christopher	PT		
Conner, Amy	PT	Laque, Haley	PT	Thompson, Leah	PT		
Cook, Paxton	PT	LeBlanc, McKenzie	PT	Torres, Kirstyn	PT		
Craig, Brandon	PT	LeJeune, Scott	PT	Trisler, Tiffany	PT		
Cranfield, Mattie	PT	Maase, Joseph	PT	Troxler, Cameron	PT		
Crawford, Adam	PT	Mangoang, John Nikko	PT	Trumbach, Erin	PT		
Cucullu, William	PT	Marcombe, Samantha	PT	Tsang, Amy	PT		
Cupp, Cameron	PT	Marcus, Margaret	PT	Tubb, Ashley	PT		
Curda, Megan	PT	Marks, Emily	PT	Turner, Brianna	PT		
Cusanza, Hannah	PT	Martin, Christopher	PT	Uzee, Sarah	PT		
Cyprien, Christina	PT	McCaa, Meagan	PT	Vales, Jonathan	PT		
Dalton, Bridget	PT	McClure, Jacie	PT	Vander Molen, Tessa	PT		
Delahoussaye, Elise	PT	McGinty, Kendall	PT	VanHoose, Lisa	PT		

Physical Therapists Assistants to whom the Board issued licenses during the year, 2022

Arceneaux, Sharika	PTA	Emig, Molly	PTA	LeLeux, Matthew	PTA	Richard, Laoreal	PTA
Bennett, James	PTA	Evans, Kristina	PTA	Lemoine, Hunter	PTA	Richardson, Brian	PTA
Beshea, Amy	PTA	Foret, Dylan	PTA	Lopez, Elyana	PTA	Risinger, Vanessa	PTA
Bodine, Edouard	PTA	Frosch, Hannah	PTA	Mackay, Mario	PTA	Schmidt, Zoey	PTA
Bolton, Elizabeth	PTA	Gowen, Sheridan	PTA	Mai, Bryant	PTA	Schraeder, Jennifer	PTA
Bordelon, Sarah	PTA	Hagberg, Emily	PTA	Mancuso, Amber	PTA	Shirey, Brennan	PTA
Brasseaux, Haley	PTA	Hale, Ian	PTA	Martin, Kayla	PTA	Spires, James	PTA
Bryant, Dustin	PTA	Hampton, Chelby	PTA	Matthews, Samuel	PTA	St. Pierre, Caleb	PTA
Bullock, Devante	PTA	Haralson, Maria	PTA	McBride, Emily	PTA	Stokley, Raquel	PTA
Carson, Kieron	PTA	Hebert, Yannik	PTA	McNutt, Ashleigh	PTA	Stowell, Elizabeth	PTA
Clark, Christie	PTA	Hesse, Taylor	PTA	Miller, Melissa	PTA	Stringer, Molly	PTA
Clary, Hays	PTA	Hollis, Hayden	PTA	Mitchell, Tia	PTA	Sullivan, Felicia	PTA
Clayton, Megan	PTA	Holloway, Brody	PTA	Mote, Donald	PTA	Sullivan, Joshua	PTA
Coleman, Amanda	PTA	Holmes, Ai	PTA	Nguyen, Lilly	PTA	Terral, Phillip	PTA
Comeaux, Amber	PTA	Hughes, Caroline	PTA	Nugent, Britney	PTA	Thompson, Delos	PTA
Davis, Stephanie	PTA	Johnson, Hunter	PTA	Padilla, Leilani	PTA	White, Jonathan	PTA
Delahaye, Emily	PTA	Johnson, Jillian	PTA	Parsons, Amber	PTA	White, Laura	PTA
Dinecola, Devin	PTA	Kenney, Heather	PTA	Perot, Kendall	PTA	Williams, Jennifer	PTA
Doll, Emma	PTA	LaCoste, Stephanie	PTA	Phan, Ky	PTA	Williams, Kirsten	PTA
Dugas, Emmalea	PTA	Langham, Russell	PTA	Pineda, Fabian	PTA	Witter, Mark	PTA
Dupre, Casey	PTA	LaSalle, Ridge	PTA	Portalis, Miyah	PTA	Woodruff, Coleman	PTA
Duque, Yarely	PTA	Lawrence, Chloe	PTA	Reynolds, Julieanne	PTA	Zsold, Arpad	PTA
Elkins, Caleb	PTA	Lee, Lauren	PTA	Rhodes, Christian	PTA		



Disciplinary Action


The representatives of the board completed training on how to investigate reports of sexual misconduct. In 2022, the Board continued its education regarding communicating with survivors of sexual assault and contracted with Justice 3D to attend specialized webinars on the topic.

Information provided in the chart below is as of December 31, 2022.

CASES RECEIVED PRIOR TO CALENDAR YEAR 2022 AND INVESTIGATED IN 2022

Case #2021-I-014	Substance Abuse	Letter of Concern
Case #2021-I-007	Unprofessional Conduct	Letter of Concern
Case #2021-I-008	Sexual Misconduct	Letter of Concern
Case #2021-I-012	Medical Malpractice Claim	Letter of Concern
Case #2021-I-015	Substance Abuse	Letter of Concern
Case #2021-I-027	Substance Abuse	Letter of Concern
Case #2022-I-002	Unauthorized Treatment	Letter of Concern
Case #2022-I-007	Substance Abuse	Letter of Concern
Case #2022-I-014	Substance Abuse	Letter of Concern
Case #2021-I-009	Unlicensed Individual	Pending
Case #2021-I-003	Criminal Conviction	Interim Board Order/Pending
Case #2021-I-021	Sexual Misconduct	Pending
Case #2022-I-004	Improper Billing/Documentation	Pending
Case #2022-I-003	Improper Billing/Documentation	Pending
Case #2022-I-009	Sexual Misconduct	Pending
Case #2022-I-019	Improper Billing / Documentation	Pending
Case #2022-I-020	Improper Billing/Documentation	Pending
Case #2021-I-004	Unlicensed Individual	Dismissed
Case #2021-I-025	Improper Billing/Documentation	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-001	Substance Abuse	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-004	Medical Malpractice Claim	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-005	Medical Malpractice Claim	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-008	Unauthorized Advertising	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-010	No Violation Listed	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-011	Unprofessional Conduct	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-012	Unprofessional Conduct	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-017	Non-licensed Individual	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-018	Sexual Misconduct	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-021	Unprofessional Conduct	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-022	Non-licensed Individual	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-023	Unprofessional Conduct	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-024	Medical Malpractice Claim	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-025	Medical Malpractice Claim	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-026	Improper Billing / Documentation	Dismissed
Case #2022-I-027	Medical Malpractice Claim	Dismissed
Case #2016-I-021	Sexual Misconduct/Criminal Conviction	Final Consent Order
Case #2018-I-036	Sexual Misconduct	Final Consent Order
Case #2019-I-003	Sexual Misconduct	Final Consent Order
Case #2019-I-010	Sexual Misconduct	Final Consent Order
Case #2019-I-021	Sexual Misconduct	Final Consent Order
Case #2019-I-022	Sexual Misconduct	Final Consent Order
Case #2019-I-023	Sexual Misconduct	Final Consent Order
Case #2019-I-024	Sexual Misconduct	Final Consent Order
Case #2019-I-027	Sexual Misconduct	Final Consent Order
Case #2019-I-032	Sexual Misconduct	Final Consent Order
Case #2021-I-013	Sexual Misconduct	Final Consent Order
Case #2021-I-022	Improper Billing/Documentation	Final Consent Order
Case #2021-I-026	Improper Billing/Documentation	Final Consent Order
Case #2022-I-013	Substance Abuse	Final Consent Order
Case #2022-I-016	Improper Billing/Documentation	Final Consent Order
Case #2022-I-015	Failure to Renew License	Final Consent Order
Case #2020-I-026	Violation of Consent Order	Final Board Order
Case #2021-I-018	CEU Audit Violation	Final Board Order
Case #2021-I-019	CEU Audit Violation	Final Board Order





Anthony Tipton, PTA License No. A8401, was arrested on or about May 31, 2016 for repeatedly raping an eight-year-old for six months prior to the arrest. Mr. Tipton was indicated, charged, and found guilty of first degree rape upon a victim under the age of 13; molestation of a juvenile under the age of 13, and sexual battery of a juvenile under the age of 13. Mr. Tipton's license to practice as a physical therapist assistant in Louisiana has been permanently revoked without opportunity to reinstate

José Garcia, PTA A09801, was arrested on charge of indecent behavior with a juvenile and has denied said allegations. On or about November 24, 2020, the criminal case was resolved with a misdemeanor guilty plea. A consent agreement and board order was signed in which Mr. Garcia shall be placed on probation for a minimum of three years, in which time he shall undergo individual counseling. During the probationary period, Mr. Garcia shall have no contact with physical therapy patients under the age of eighteen, shall cooperate with random unannounced monitoring visits to his work site, and shall provide a copy of his consent order to employer, supervisor, and any personnel he supervises, work with or contracts with.

Philippe Veeters, PT License No. 01437F, faced a series of administrative complaints in 2019 (Complaint Nos. 2019-I-003, 2019-I-010, 2019-I-021, 2019-I-022, 2019-I-023, 2019-I-024, and 2019-I-027), as well as a previous and continuous Order of Suspension from 2018 related to Complaint No. 2018-I-014. The Board's attention was drawn to Mr. Veeters when a patient complained about an assessment he performed, which he did not have a clinical basis to assess or palpate the patient's pubic region and, accordingly, concluded that the procedure was clinically unnecessary and needlessly invasive of the patient's privacy. In response, the Board promptly suspended Mr. Veeters, with the condition that he could only resume practice upon receiving clearance from a board-approved psychosexual evaluator. Subsequently, in 2018, Mr. Veeters faced legal charges for sexual assault on this individual and others. Several additional complainants stepped forward while he remained under suspension. In 2019, through an Interim Consent Agreement and Board Order, Mr. Veeters agreed to refrain from practicing of physical therapy until the conclusion of his criminal proceedings, with the understanding that his license would be revoked in Louisiana if found guilty. In 2022, Mr. Veeters pleaded guilty to six counts of second-degree battery against female physical therapy patients. This guilty plea triggered the activation of the Interim Consent Agreement and Board Order from September 2019, resulting in the revocation of Louisiana Physical Therapist License No. 01437F, held by Philippe Veeters. As of September 12, 2022, Philippe Veeters' physical therapy license stands automatically revoked, rendering him ineligible to practice physical therapy in any capacity within the State of Louisiana.

Garrett Dinicola, PT License No. 10334, Mr. Dinicola engaged in sexual intercourse with a female physical therapy patient at a location outside of the physical therapy office. Female physical therapy patient was still a "patient" of Respondent's and of the office in which he was employed and had not been terminated as a "patient". After a one-year suspension where Respondent has to schedule a Psychosexual Risk Assessment at his own expense, Respondent's license shall be on probation for a minimum of one year. During the one-year probationary period the Respondent shall not treat female patients, shall fully cooperate with the Board representatives making random unannounced monitoring visits to his work sites, and shall provide a copy of this consent order to everyone he works with before providing any physical therapy services. Prior to the completion of the suspension period, Respondent shall complete the three-day PBI Professional Boundaries and Ethics Course (Essential Edition)

Carlo de Castro PT License No. 09047F, expired and became void on April 30, 2021 for failure to satisfy the continuing education requirements for license renewal. Before the PT license of Carlo de Castro can be considered for reinstatement, Carlo de Castro prior to the next renewal date of April 30, 2023, shall take and pass the Physical Therapy licensing examination. In the event the license is reinstated after successful completion of this Order, Carlo de Castro shall mandatorily comply with continuing education audits for three (3) subsequent renewal periods. Failure to meet the requirements of this Order by April 30, 2023 shall result in revocation of his license.

Mario Mackay PTA License No. A4482. On April 30, 2021, Mario Mackay's license expired and become void for failure to satisfy continuing education requirement for license renewal. Before the PTA license of Mario Mackay can be considered for reinstatement, Mario Mackay, prior to the next renewal date of April 30, 2023, shall take and pass the Physical Therapist Assistant licensing examination. In the event the license is reinstated after successful completion of this Order, Mario Mackay shall mandatorily comply with continuing education audits for three (3) subsequent renewal periods. Failure to meet the requirements of this Order by April 30, 2023 shall result in revocation of his license.

Mr. Jeffrey Dela Cruz, PT License No. 04183F. During a home health visit, Mr. Dela Cruz documented that he had performed a physical therapy reassessment on a patient despite the fact that the patient was not present in the home at the time and he did not actually perform the assessment. Mr. Dela Cruz is placed on probation for a minimum of three years, in which time he is not allowed to work in a home health setting, must comply with all monitoring visits and must present his consent order to all employers, supervisors, physical therapists, physical therapist assistants and physical therapy technicians he works with for acknowledgement.

Ken Cannon, PTA A20046. While employed at a skilled nursing facility, Mr. Cannon documented and inaccurately billed for physical therapy services that he did not provide to patients. Although his license is currently lapsed, he shall be on probation for a minimum of three years upon reinstatement. While on probation, he will undergo monitoring visits, will provide a copy of his consent order to all employers, direct supervisors, and any individuals he works with, and shall not serve as the supervisor or clinical instructor to any physical therapists or physical therapists assistants. Mr. Cannon shall also complete additional continuing education courses in ethics during each renewal cycle during his probationary period.

Alex Bourgeois License No. 10935 acknowledges that he failed to timely complete and submit application for renewal of his Physical Therapy license for the renewal period beginning February 1, 2022. Applicant acknowledges that he has practiced physical therapy in Louisiana from May 2, 2022 through May 6, 2022 without a valid license in violation of La. R.S. 37:2417 B. These facts and provisions of the Physical Therapy Practice Act and Board Rules provide a basis and authority for this Consent Order.

Emily Abendroth, Louisiana PT License No. 08002. Ms. Abendroth created and signed discharge summaries for patients although Ms. Abendroth was not the supervising physical therapist for those two patients and she had never treated either patient. Respondent's license shall be on probation for a minimum of one year. During the one-year probationary period, Respondent shall fully cooperate with the Board representatives making random unannounced monitoring visits to her worksites, shall provide a copy of this Consent Order to employers, supervisors, or any PTs or PTAs, she works with and must notify the Executive Director before any physical therapy services are conducted. Respondent shall complete an additional four (4) hours of continuing education courses related to documentation and shall attend one live Jurisprudence Seminar per renewal period.



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