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## PHYSICAL THERAPY CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

STATE	NOTES	PT CE WEBSITE
<b>Alabama</b>	Completion of approved continuing education shall be a requirement for the renewal of licenses. A physical therapist shall complete a minimum of ten (10) board approved contact hours and a physical therapist assistant a minimum of ten (10) board approved contact hours during each compliance period. October 1 through September 30 of each year shall constitute a compliance period. Beginning October 1, 2015 licensees shall complete a 2 hour, board approved continuing education course for renewal every 5th year (years ending in "5" or "0" (2020, 2025...)) on the topic of physical therapy jurisprudence, covering both the Practice Act and the Administrative Code. Individuals licensed by endorsement shall complete a 2 hour, board approved continuing education course on the topic of physical therapy jurisprudence, covering both the Practice Act and the Administrative Code as part of their continuing education requirements for initial licensure renewal.	<a href="http://pt.alabama.gov/licensing.aspx">http://pt.alabama.gov/licensing.aspx</a>
<b>Alaska</b>	An applicant for renewal of a physical therapist or physical therapy assistant license who has been licensed for 12 months or more of the concluding licensing period shall have completed during that period 24 contact hours of continuing education. An applicant for renewal of a physical therapist or physical therapy assistant license who has been licensed for less than 12 months of the concluding licensing period shall have (1) completed during that period 12 contact hours of continuing education; or (2) passed the national physical therapy examination within 12 months immediately before the date that the applicant's license is due to lapse.	<a href="https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/PhysicalTherapyOccupationalTherapy/ContinuingEducationInformation.aspx">https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/PhysicalTherapyOccupationalTherapy/ContinuingEducationInformation.aspx</a>
<b>Arizona</b>	The rules that describe continuing competence activities (Article 4 in the board's administrative rules, A.A.C. R4-24-401–R4-24-303) establish 3 categories of activities that can fulfill the requirement for license renewal, which is 20 hours during each 2 year compliance period. A compliance period begins on September 1st of even-numbered years and ends on August 31st of the following even-numbered year. At least 10 contact hours must be from Category A, up to the entire 20 contact hour requirement. No more than 10 hours may be utilized from a combination of Category B and/or Category C activities. Because of the variety of conversions used to determine CEU's by different organizations, the rules require "contact hours" rather than "CEUs" as the measurement of continuing competence activities.	<a href="https://ptboard.az.gov/sites/default/files/documents/files/ContCompOverview.pdf">https://ptboard.az.gov/sites/default/files/documents/files/ContCompOverview.pdf</a>
<b>Arkansas</b>	CEUs should be acquired between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2016 to be credited for 2017 renewal. Individuals licensed as new graduates or by endorsement in 2015 and 2016 are not required to complete CEUs for 2017 renewal and begin accumulating in 2017 for 2019 renewal. Individuals who were previously inactive and reinstate their license in 2015 and 2016 are required to complete continuing education between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2016 for 2017 renewal. Continuing education used to reinstate a license cannot be used for 2017 renewal. According to the Arkansas Physical Therapy Practice Act, physical therapists must complete, in each biennium (two-year period), two (2) CEUs and physical therapist assistants are required to complete, in each biennium, one (1) CEU. This must be obtained within the 24-months preceding the odd-numbered year renewal. A passing score on the jurisprudence exam is part of continuing education and required in the same period as continuing education. No more than 50% of continuing education can be taken through online/home study courses. The jurisprudence exam is worth 1 hour of continuing education credit and counts as an online course.	<a href="http://www.arptb.org/education/index.html">http://www.arptb.org/education/index.html</a>
<b>California</b>	Continuing competency hours must be earned during the renewal period. Your renewal period begins the day after your license expires or issue date and ends on your expiration date. For example, if your license expires on September 30, 2011, your continuing competency hours must be completed during the period September 30, 2009 – September 30,	<a href="http://www.ptbc.ca.gov/licenses/cont_comp.shtml">http://www.ptbc.ca.gov/licenses/cont_comp.shtml</a>



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	2011. (Physical Therapists and Physical Therapist Assistants are subject to the same continuing competency requirements). New Licensees If you are in your first 13-24 months of licensure in California and renewing your license for the first time, use this chart to help you determine the number of continuing competency hours required (if you are not a new licensee see use the chart below under NOT a New Licensee).	
<b>Colorado</b>	Senate Bill 11-69 was passed into law in the 2011 legislative session and required a Colorado licensed physical therapist to demonstrate his/her continuing competency (CC) in order to renew, reinstate or reactivate a license. Physical Therapist Assistants are not required to participate. Continuing competency requirements became effective on November 1, 2014. CC requirements must be met prior to renewing a license in 2016. Continuing Professional Development (CPD) is the State Physical Therapy Board program through which a licensee can satisfy the continuing professional competency requirements in order to renew, reinstate, or reactivate a license. For each renewal period, the CPC program consists of the following elements: A reflective Self-Assessment Tool (RSAT) and establishment of learning goals: Development of a Learning Plan; Accrual of 30 points through Professional Development Activities (PDA). PDA are learning activities undertaken to increase a licensee's knowledge and skill or hone existing knowledge and skill for the purpose of continuing professional development. PDA are organized into Category I, II, and III activities with corresponding point values (refer to the Learning plan and the Professional Development Activities (PDA List). At least 15 points must be accrued from Category I activities; and Once every 10 years, complete an Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (AKS), no more than two AKS will be credited in a 10 year period.	<a href="https://www.colorado.gov/dora/Physical_Therapy">https://www.colorado.gov/dora/Physical_Therapy</a>
<b>Connecticut</b>	Each licensee applying for license renewal shall complete a minimum of 20 hours during the one year period for which the license is being renewed. Continuing education hours completed in one registration period shall not be allowed to carry-over to a subsequent registration period. No CE requirements for PTAs.	<a href="http://www.ct.gov/dph/cwp/view.asp?a=3121&amp;q=389464&amp;dphNav_GID=1821">http://www.ct.gov/dph/cwp/view.asp?a=3121&amp;q=389464&amp;dphNav_GID=1821</a>
<b>Delaware</b>	Three CEU's are required for every biennial license renewal for Physical Therapists, Physical Therapist Assistants, and Athletic Trainers. The required CEU's shall be completed no later than January 31 of every odd-numbered year and every 2 years after such date. Effective as of the license renewal period beginning February 1, 2013, the required hours shall include 0.2 units of Ethics and proof of current CPR certification by the American Red Cross, American Heart Association, National Safety Council or other agency approved by the Board and posted on the Division of Professional Regulation's website. Proof of current CPR certification will count for 0.1 CEU. One CEU will be given for every 10 hours of an approved continuing education course. (1 contact hour = .1 CEU).	<a href="http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title24/2600.shtml">http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title24/2600.shtml</a>
<b>District of Columbia</b>	Physical Therapists must complete forty (40) contact hours of continuing education (only 20 can only be online/home study). Continuing Education Requirement is NOT required for 1st time renewal applicants. Physical Therapy Assistants must complete thirty (30) contact hours of continuing education. Not more than one-half (1/2) of the total required number of Continuing Education units (CEUs) may be accepted during this renewal period, for approved online courses, home study courses, video courses, tele courses, video conference, and teleconference activities. Submission of CE hours is not required for first (1st) time renewal applicants. DO NOT send documentation verifying your compliance with CE requirement unless asked to do so by the Board. The Board will perform a CE audit following the 2015 renewal period. Documentation mailed to the Board will not be returned.	<a href="http://doh.dc.gov/service/physical-therapy-licensing">http://doh.dc.gov/service/physical-therapy-licensing</a>
<b>Florida</b>	PTs and PTAs renew biennially on November 30th of odd years. CE: 24 contact hours within two-year licensure period for PTs and PTAs. A one-hour HIV/AIDS course is required for first license renewal. Two hours on prevention of medical errors must be taken every renewal period. No more than 12 hours can be from home-study.	<a href="http://floridasphysicaltherapy.gov/renewals/continuing-education-ce/">http://floridasphysicaltherapy.gov/renewals/continuing-education-ce/</a>



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<b>Georgia</b>	PTs and PTAs must renew by December 31st of odd years. CE: 30 contact hours required for each two-year licensure period for both PTs and PTAs, including 4 hours of ethics and jurisprudence.	<a href="http://sos.ga.gov/index.php/licensing/plb/39">http://sos.ga.gov/index.php/licensing/plb/39</a>
<b>Hawaii</b>		<a href="http://hawaii.gov/dcca/pvl/boards/physical-therapy">http://hawaii.gov/dcca/pvl/boards/physical-therapy</a>
<b>Idaho</b>	The annual completion of 16 hours of continuing education (CE) is required to maintain a license to practice physical therapy in Idaho. The guidelines for acceptable CE credits can be found in the rules governing Physical Therapy. Excess Hours: Continuing education hours accumulated during the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the license expiration date may be applied toward meeting the continuing education requirement for the next license renewal. Hours in excess of the required hours may be carried forward. Excess hours may be used only during the next renewal period and may not be carried forward more than one (1) time.	<a href="http://ibol.idaho.gov/IBOL/BoardAdditional.aspx?Bureau=PHT&amp;BureauLinkID=130">http://ibol.idaho.gov/IBOL/BoardAdditional.aspx?Bureau=PHT&amp;BureauLinkID=130</a>
<b>Illinois</b>	Every physical therapist shall complete 40 hours of continuing education (CE) relevant to the practice of physical therapy during each pre-renewal period as a condition of renewal. Beginning with the September 2016 renewal, at least 3 hours of the 40 hours must include content related to the ethical practice of physical therapy. Every physical therapist assistant shall complete 20 hours of CE relevant to the practice of physical therapy during each pre-renewal period as a condition of renewal. Beginning with the September 2017 renewal, at least 3 hours of the 20 hours must include content related to the ethical practice of physical therapy. Self-study: A maximum of 50% of the total CE requirements may be earned through an approved CE sponsor.	<a href="http://www.ipta.org/?page=ContinuingEducation">http://www.ipta.org/?page=ContinuingEducation</a>
<b>Indiana</b>	Effective February 27, 2013 all PT and PTA licensees will be required to obtain continuing education competency in order to renew their license. The Committee will require all licensees to have completed twenty-two (22) hours of continuing competency activities for the biennial renewal period, of which two (2) hours must be in an ethics and Indiana jurisprudence course as it relates to the practice of physical therapy. These hours must be obtained within the renewal period and cannot be carried over from one renewal period to another.	<a href="http://www.in.gov/pia/3547.htm">http://www.in.gov/pia/3547.htm</a>
<b>Iowa</b>	The biennial continuing education compliance period shall extend for a two-year period that begins on the sixteenth day of the birth month and ends two years later on the fifteenth day of the birth month. a. Requirements for physical therapist licensees. Each biennium, each person who is licensed to practice as a physical therapist in this state shall be required to complete a minimum of 40 hours of continuing education approved by the board; a minimum of 30 hours shall be directly and primarily related to the clinical application of physical therapy. b. Requirements for physical therapist assistant licensees. Each biennium, each person who is licensed to practice as a physical therapist assistant in this state shall be required to complete a minimum of 20 hours of continuing education approved by the board; a minimum of 15 hours shall be directly and primarily related to the clinical application of physical therapy. Training for Identifying and Reporting Abuse Iowa-licensed physical therapists shall complete an approved training program in identifying and reporting abuse. An approved training program is a training program using a curriculum approved by the abuse education review panel of the Department of Public Health. Continuing education credit from these courses can be used for license renewal if an approved provider gives the course and continuing education credit is awarded. At the time of renewal, the licensee will be required to document completion of the training requirements. An Iowa-licensed physical therapist who regularly provides primary health care to children shall complete: Two hours of training in child abuse identification and reporting in the previous five years. An Iowa-licensed physical therapist who regularly provides primary health care to adults shall complete: Two hours of training in dependent adult abuse identification and reporting in the previous five years. An Iowa-licensed physical therapist who regularly provides primary health care to adults and	<a href="https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/AC/O/chapter/645.203.pdf">https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/AC/O/chapter/645.203.pdf</a>



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	children shall complete training on the identification and reporting of abuse in dependent adults and children. This training may be completed through two separate courses or in one combined two-hour course that includes curricula for identifying and reporting child abuse and dependent adult abuse.	
<b>Kansas</b>	As a condition of renewal for each odd-numbered year, each licensed physical therapist or certified physical therapist assistant shall submit, in addition to the annual application for renewal of licensure or certification, evidence of satisfactory completion within the preceding two-year period of a minimum of 40 contact hours of continuing education for a licensed physical therapist and a minimum of 20 contact hours of continuing education for a certified physical therapist assistant. The license of each physical therapist and the certificate of each physical therapist assistant shall expire on December 31 of each year.	<a href="http://www.ksbha.org/regulations/article29.shtml#kar100299">http://www.ksbha.org/regulations/article29.shtml#kar100299</a>
<b>Kentucky</b>	Physical Therapists must complete 30 hours of continued competency activities (20 hours for physical therapist assistants) prior to renewing their credential. Continued competency is required for renewal and reinstatement of licenses/certificates. All active licenses/certificates expire on March 31 of every uneven year. Continued competency credits for the current biennium must be earned from April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2017 The 2017 Jurisprudence is required for all new applicants, reinstatement applicants, and current credential holders for the licensure biennium of 4/1/2015 through 3/31/2017. Effective 6/24/2015, HIV/AIDS courses are no longer required for initial licensure or renewal.	<a href="http://pt.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx">http://pt.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx</a>
<b>Louisiana</b>	Unless exempted under §198, licensees shall successfully complete, document and report to the board at least 30 hours of board–approved continuing education courses or activities in the biennial renewal period. No carryover of continuing education hours from one renewal period to another shall be allowed. Continuing education will be granted in the reporting period in which the academic coursework, clinical instruction, tool, residency, or fellowship is completed. B. The four types of approved courses or activities and requirement for each are: 1. jurisprudence a minimum of two contact hours; 2. ethics or professionalism a minimum of two contact hours; 3. clinical/preventive a minimum of 18 contact hours, up to six of which may be earned by completion of a board approved self-assessment tool 4. administrative a maximum of eight contact hours may be applied during each renewal period. Additional clinical/preventive hours may be substituted for administrative. C. No more than 15 hours of continuing education submitted to the board shall be home study, internet or online courses or by other distance learning methods. This excludes the jurisprudence requirement, if taken online.	<a href="https://www.laptboard.org/">https://www.laptboard.org/</a>
<b>Maine</b>		<a href="http://www.maine.gov/pfr/professional-licensing/professions/physical_therapists/faq_general.html">http://www.maine.gov/pfr/professional-licensing/professions/physical_therapists/faq_general.html</a>
<b>Maryland</b>	Licensee must have earned the 3.0 CEUs for a PT, or 2.0 CEUs for a PTA. 1CEU = 10 CE hours (0.1 CEU = 1 CEU hour) CEUs will not be required if your license was issued one year or less before the renewal period. Licenses are renewed biennially on an odd-even basis via on-line system. License numbers ending with an odd-number renew in odd-numbered years. License numbers ending with an even number renew in even-numbered years. Failure to renew your license prior to its expiration date will result in loss of licensure and the right to practice physical therapy/limited physical therapy in Maryland. Notices of renewal are mailed in March of the year of renewal. All renewals must be completed online by May 22nd.	<a href="http://dhmh.maryland.gov/bphte/Pages/index.aspx">http://dhmh.maryland.gov/bphte/Pages/index.aspx</a>
<b>Massachusetts</b>		<a href="http://www.mass.gov/ocabr/licensee/dpl-">http://www.mass.gov/ocabr/licensee/dpl-</a>



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		<a href="http://boards/ah/faqs/frequently-asked-question-4.html#pt06">boards/ah/faqs/frequently-asked-question-4.html#pt06</a>
<b>Michigan</b>		<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-27417_27529_27549---,00.html">http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-27417_27529_27549---,00.html</a>
<b>Minnesota</b>	Each licensed physical therapist and physical therapist assistant must complete at least 20 contact hours of continuing education credit every two years as a condition of licensure renewal. Newly licensed physical therapists and physical therapist assistants commence their two year cycle on January 1 immediately following the date licensure was granted, and continuing education credits may be accrued during the first partial year in addition to the two full years of licensure. Licensees are asked to attest to completion of continuing education by reporting to the Board at renewal time. Each licensee must retain continuing education documentation in the event they are selected for an audit.	<a href="http://mn.gov/health-licensing-boards/physical-therapy/continuingeducation/">http://mn.gov/health-licensing-boards/physical-therapy/continuingeducation/</a>
<b>Mississippi</b>	Regulations set the requirement of 24 contact hours (CH) or 2.4 Continuing Education Units (CEU) to be accrued during the licensing period (July 1- June 30). No carryover of continuing education hours from one licensure period to another shall be allowed. At least 25 percent (6 Contact Hours or .6 CEUs) of the required continuing education must be directly related to the clinical practice of physical therapy. Effective July 1, 2012, physical therapist and physical therapist assistants can take no more than 12 contact hours or 1.2 CEUs of required continuing education online. All licensees must take two hours of board-approved programs in ethics/professional responsibility as part of their total CE requirements. CE hours claimed as clinical may need to be reviewed if considered questionable.	<a href="https://www.msbt.ms.gov/index.asp">https://www.msbt.ms.gov/index.asp</a>
<b>Missouri</b>	30 contact hours required biennially for PTs and PTAs.	<a href="http://pr.mo.gov/physicaltherapist.asp">http://pr.mo.gov/physicaltherapist.asp</a>
<b>Montana</b>	Beginning April 1, 2015, each licensee shall obtain 30 hours/credits of continuing education in each 24-month period prior to the renewal date in odd-numbered years. The first reporting period is April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2017. No continuing education is required for licensees renewing for the first time.	<a href="http://bsd.dli.mt.gov/li-cense/bsd_boards/ptp_board/board_page.asp">http://bsd.dli.mt.gov/li-cense/bsd_boards/ptp_board/board_page.asp</a>
<b>Nebraska</b>	Complete continuing education hours to renew a physical therapist license or physical therapist assistant certificate during the preceding 24 month period. Each physical therapist must complete 20 hours of continuing education and each physical therapist assistant must complete 10 hours of continuing education during the preceding 24 month period. All PTs and PTAs licenses or certificates expire November 1 of each odd-numbered year.	<a href="http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/default.aspx">http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/default.aspx</a>
<b>Nevada</b>	PTs and PTAs renew annually on July 31st. CE: 1.5 CEUs or 15 contact hours for each annual license renewal period for PTs and PTAs. Therefore, courses can only be awarded a maximum of 1.5 CEUs, regardless of the length of the course. Nevada only allows 0.8 CEUs or 8 contact hours for non-clinical courses to be used towards the renewal of a license.	<a href="http://ptboard.nv.gov/CE/">http://ptboard.nv.gov/CE/</a>
<b>New Hampshire</b>	Physical therapists or physical therapist assistants must renew by December 31st of even numbered years. PTs or PTAs shall maintain continuing competence by completing 24 hours of continuing professional education in each 2-year renewal cycle. Rule Phy 406; RSA 328-A:15-a All New Hampshire PT and PTA licensees must earn a passing score on the NH Jurisprudence Assessment Module as a requirement for renewal of licensure (Rule Phy 402.06.07 Jurisprudence Examination) in years ending in 0 and 5.	<a href="https://www.opc.nh.gov/allied-health/index.htm">https://www.opc.nh.gov/allied-health/index.htm</a>



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<b>New Jersey</b>	PT and PTA licenses expire on January 31st of even numbered years. CE: 30 contact hours required biennially for PTs and PTAs A maximum of 10 hours allowed from online courses. 4 hours of jurisprudence and professional ethics are required.	<a href="http://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/pt/">http://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/pt/</a>
<b>New Mexico</b>	20 clock hours are required per renewal cycle (one clock hour is equal to 60 minutes of instruction time) Continuing education hours must be directly related to respiratory therapy, pulmonary function technology, or related inter-disciplinary areas of health care.	<a href="http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/Respiratory_Care_Requirements_and_Continuing_Education.aspx">http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/Respiratory_Care_Requirements_and_Continuing_Education.aspx</a>
<b>New York</b>	PTs and PTAs are required to complete 36 contact hours during each three year renewal cycle.	<a href="http://www.op.nyse.d.gov/prof/pt/ptce-notice.htm">http://www.op.nyse.d.gov/prof/pt/ptce-notice.htm</a>
<b>North Carolina</b>	Each PT licensee must accumulate 30 points and each PTA licensee must accumulate 20 points of continuing competence activities during the assigned reporting period to be eligible for license renewal. The points must include one mandatory point from a Jurisprudence Exercise. For example, if you were first licensed after February 1, 2013, your continuing competence reporting period begins January 1, 2014 and ends January 31, 2016. There is a 25 month period to complete the continuing competence requirement. License renewal is EVERY year.	<a href="https://www.ncpt-board.org/ContinuingCompetence/CCRenewal.shtml">https://www.ncpt-board.org/ContinuingCompetence/CCRenewal.shtml</a>
<b>North Dakota</b>	Physical therapists and physical therapist assistants must complete 25 contact hours of continuing education every 2 years. One contact hour equals 60 minutes of instruction. There may be no carryover of credit hours to the next reporting period. 15 hours of the required coursework for any reporting period must be clinically (direct patient care skills) related, of which 5 hours may be CPR. New graduates are exempt from reporting continuing education hours for the period following graduation, but are required to complete the full number of hours for all subsequent years. Even-numbered licenses will report CEU hours during even-numbered renewal years. Odd-numbered licenses report CEU hours during odd-numbered renewal years. Online renewal must be completed by January 31st of the current year. After January 31st an additional \$50.00 late fee will be assessed.	<a href="https://www.ndbpt.org/continuing_ed.asp">https://www.ndbpt.org/continuing_ed.asp</a>
<b>Ohio</b>	24 contact hours required biennially for PTs and 12 contact hours for PTAs Renewal cycle is from February 1 to January 31. PTs expire in even numbered years and PTAs expire in odd numbered years.	<a href="http://www.ot-ptat.ohio.gov/PhysicalTherapy/ContinuingEducation.aspx">http://www.ot-ptat.ohio.gov/PhysicalTherapy/ContinuingEducation.aspx</a>
<b>Oklahoma</b>	Cycle ends December 31 every odd year. Physical Therapist you must obtain forty (40) hours of approved continuing education every two (2) years (i.e. – from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2015, etc.). Physical Therapist Assistant you must obtain thirty (30) hours of approved continuing education every two (2) years (i.e. – from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2015, etc.). Three hours of ethics education required that includes the APTA Guide for Professional Conduct and the APTA Code of Ethics. No more than 50% of continuing education can be taken through online courses.	<a href="http://www.okmedicalboard.org/physical_therapists#laws">http://www.okmedicalboard.org/physical_therapists#laws</a>
<b>Oregon</b>	PTs and PTAs renewal cycle runs from April 1st of each even numbered year, through March 31st of the next even numbered year. 24 month continuing competence certification period which runs from April 1st of each even numbered year, through March 31st of the next even numbered year. CE: 24 hours of continuing competency for PTs. Effective with the current certification period 04/01/2014 - 03/31/2016, PTA's now need to have 24 hours of continuing competency in order to renew their license for the licensing period beginning April 1, 2016. PTs must fulfill a one- time only pain management education requirement: seven hours of pain management education, including the completion of a one hour on-line pain management course sponsored and provided by the Oregon Pain Management Com-	<a href="http://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicenses/BoardsCommissions/PhysicalTherapy/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicenses/BoardsCommissions/PhysicalTherapy/Pages/default.aspx</a>



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	mission, plus an additional six hours of continuing education relative to the evaluation, diagnosis or treatment of pain. PTAs are exempt from the pain management education requirement.	
<b>Pennsylvania</b>	For this biennial renewal only, (January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2014) 15 hours of board approved continuing education earned between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2012 can be used for renewal. Hours used for 2012 renewal of a direct access certificate cannot be used again. PTs and PTAs renewal cycle runs from January 1st of each odd numbered year, through December 31st of the next even numbered year i.e. January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014. During each biennial period, a licensee shall complete qualifying continuing education equal to at least 30 contact hours of continuing physical therapy education, including at least 2 contact hours in law or ethics applicable to the practice of physical therapy. 10 hours shall be in evaluative procedures to treat a person without a referral. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2015, all persons applying for issuance of an initial license shall be required to complete 3 hours of DPW-approved training in child abuse recognition and reporting requirements as a condition of licensure. Additionally, EFFECTIVE WITH THE FIRST LICENSE RENEWAL AFTER JANUARY 1, 2015, all health-related licensees and funeral directors applying for the renewal of a license issued by the Board shall be required to complete at least 2 hours of Board-approved continuing education in child abuse recognition and reporting requirements as a condition of renewal.	<a href="http://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicens- ing/BoardsCom- missions/Physical- Therapy/Pages/de- fault.aspx">http://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicens- ing/BoardsCom- missions/Physical- Therapy/Pages/de- fault.aspx</a>
<b>Puerto Rico</b>	30 hours of continuing education are required for PTs and 21 hours are required for PTAs. A maximum of 6 hours may be distance learning. All licensees must complete 3 hours of infection control courses including: HIV, Hepatitis and TB.	<a href="http://www.reflectx- staff- ing.com/pt/puerto %20rico/physical- therapist-pt-licen- sure-board.html">http://www.reflectx- staff- ing.com/pt/puerto %20rico/physical- therapist-pt-licen- sure-board.html</a>
<b>Rhode Island</b>	PTs and PTAs must renew by March 31st of each even numbered year. 24 contact hours required biennially for PTs and PTAs. Required in-service hours totaling 0.4 CEUs maximum per biennium and CPR of 0.4 CEUs per biennium.	<a href="http://sos.ri.gov/op enmeet- ings/?page=view_ entity&amp;id=542">http://sos.ri.gov/op enmeet- ings/?page=view_ entity&amp;id=542</a>
<b>South Carolina</b>	PTs and PTAs must renew by December 31st of each even numbered year. 30 contact hours required biennially for PTs and PTAs.	<a href="http://www.llr.state. sc.us/pol/physical- therapy/">http://www.llr.state. sc.us/pol/physical- therapy/</a>
<b>South Dakota</b>		<a href="http://www.sdbmoe .gov/index.php?op- tion=com_con- tent&amp;view=arti- cle&amp;id=14%3Aphy sical-therapist- pt&amp;catid=6&amp;Itemid =10">http://www.sdbmoe .gov/index.php?op- tion=com_con- tent&amp;view=arti- cle&amp;id=14%3Aphy sical-therapist- pt&amp;catid=6&amp;Itemid =10</a>
<b>Tennessee</b>	PT and PTA CE: 30 hours are required for the 24 months that precede the licensure renewal month. At least 20 hours of the 30-hour requirement must be from Category I activities, and only 10 hours may be acquired online. Up to 10 hours of the 30-hour requirement may be from Class II activities. Four (4) hours must consist of TN Board of Physical Therapy-approved ethics and jurisprudence education courses. These four (4) hours are required every biennial renewal cycle.	<a href="http://www.tn.gov/h ealth/article/PT- about">http://www.tn.gov/h ealth/article/PT- about</a>
<b>Texas</b>	Effective March 1, 2015, PT and PTA licensees are required to renew their licenses every two years by the end of their birth month. 30 contact hours required biennially for PTs and 20 for PTAs. Must include two hours of ethics/ professional responsibility.	<a href="http://www.ptot.tex as.gov/page/re- new-a-license">http://www.ptot.tex as.gov/page/re- new-a-license</a>



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<b>Utah</b>	PT and PTA licenses expire May 31st of every odd year. 40 contact hours required biennially for PTs; 20 for PTAs. Must include 3 hours of ethics or law. No more than 50% of continuing education can be taken through online courses.	<a href="http://www.dopl.utah.gov/licensing/physical_therapy.html">http://www.dopl.utah.gov/licensing/physical_therapy.html</a>
<b>Vermont</b>		<a href="http://vtprofessionals.org/opr1/physical_therapists/">http://vtprofessionals.org/opr1/physical_therapists/</a>
<b>Virginia</b>	PT and PTA licenses expire on December 31st of each even numbered year. 30 contact hours required biennially for PTs and PTAs. Type 1 face-to-face course minimum: PT: 15 hours, PTA: 10 hours. PTs holding certification to provide direct access without a referral shall include 4 hours in courses related to clinical practice in a direct access setting. No more than 15 hours can be from online courses for PTs and 20 hours for PTAs.	<a href="http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/PhysicalTherapy/physical_ther_laws_regs.htm">http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/PhysicalTherapy/physical_ther_laws_regs.htm</a>
<b>Washington</b>	Physical therapists and physical therapist assistants must provide evidence of continuing competency in the form of continuing education and employment related to physical therapy every two years. Licenses expire every year on the practitioners' birthdate; CE must be obtained during the preceding two years. Licensed physical therapists and physical therapist assistants must complete 40 hours of continuing education every two years. Physical therapists and physical therapist assistants are required to complete a one-time training in suicide assessment that includes screening and referral elements appropriate for this profession. The training must be at least three hours in length and must meet the requirements for training per WAC 246-915-086. Acceptable continuing education must specifically relate to the practice of physical therapy. A physical therapist with a spinal manipulation endorsement must complete at least ten (10) hours of continuing education per continuing competency reporting period directly related to spinal manipulation. At least five (5) hours of the training must be related to procedural technique and application of spinal manipulation. In addition to the required continuing education hours, physical therapists and physical therapist assistants must complete 200 hours involving the application of physical therapy knowledge and skills. WAC 246-915-085. There is a one-time requirement of seven hours of AIDS education and training is required for physical therapy licensure in Washington State.	<a href="http://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertifications/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/PhysicalTherapist">http://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertifications/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/PhysicalTherapist</a>
<b>West Virginia</b>	PT and PTA licenses expire biennially; December 31st of even or odd years depending on when the license was issued. 24 contact hours must be completed by PTs and PTAs during their renewal cycle. Volunteer licensees need to complete 20 hours.	<a href="http://www.wvbopt.com/index.cfm">http://www.wvbopt.com/index.cfm</a>
<b>Wisconsin</b>	PT and PTA licenses expire on February 28th of odd years. 30 contact hours required biennially for PTs; 20 for PTAs. Four hours must be in ethics and jurisprudence.	<a href="http://drl.wi.gov/board_detail.asp?boardid=47&amp;locid=0">http://drl.wi.gov/board_detail.asp?boardid=47&amp;locid=0</a>
<b>Wyoming</b>	PT and PTA licenses expire on October 1st of odd or even years depending on when they were licensed. 20 contact hours required biennially for PTs and PTAs. At least fifteen hours must be clinically related, five of which may be CPR.	<a href="http://plboards.state.wy.us/ptherapy/index.asp">http://plboards.state.wy.us/ptherapy/index.asp</a>