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## Activities for Demonstrating Continuing Competence

**DISCLAIMER:** The Chart below was developed as a “**guide**” and to help clarify the Board’s Rules for licensees seeking information regarding the requirements for continuing competence; however, it is not a substitute for the Rules themselves. To the extent that the chart may be inconsistent with the Rules, the Board’s rules control decisions regarding the requirements.

Requirements:

*Physical Therapists:* Document 30 points in each 25 month reporting period.

*Physical Therapist Assistants:* Document 20 points in each 25 month reporting period.

All PT and PTA licensees must complete a jurisprudence exercise each 25 months that is equal to 1 point and will be counted toward the total.

Definitions:

One (1.0) CEU = 10 contact hours

10 contact hours, 10 classroom hours or 10 Course hours= 10 points;

Activity must be at least 50-60 minutes to earn one hour of credit.

<b>Clinical Skills and Expertise</b>				
<b>Activity</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Documentation</b>	<b>Limitations and Criteria for Physical Therapists</b>	<b>Limitations and Criteria for Physical Therapist Assistants</b>
<b>Continuing Education</b>				

Registered attendance at courses or conferences offered live, in real time by approved providers (Example: onsite attendance at approved activity ) .0109 (a) (1)	1 contact hour = 1 point	Certificate of Attendance by the approved provider	Up to 29 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	Up to 19 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period
Registered attendance at courses or conferences offered through electronic media live, in real time by approved providers (Example: live participation at electronic media approved activity ) .0109 (a) (1)	1 contact hour = 1 point	Certificate of Attendance by the approved provider	Up to 15 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period	Up to 15 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period
Formal academic, post-baccalaureate coursework related to physical therapy by an approved provider .0109 (a) (2)	1 semester or course credit hour = 15 contact hours = 15 point	Transcript provided by the academic institution	Up to 29 points may be maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	Up to 19 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period
Attendance or participation in activities related to PT without an assessment element (examples: activities related to PT scope of practice but not approved, audited coursework, electronic, non-approved courses, etc.) .0109 (a) (3)	2 contact hours = 1 point	Certificate of completion or summary report of learning objectives and hours spent.	5 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	5 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
Approved Provider course with registered participation via electronic media, non-interactive (completed "on-demand" or at	1 contact hour = 1 point	Certificate of completion by the approved provider	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.

time determined by licensee online activities, webinar, video or audio course, teleconference, etc)  .0109 (a) (4)				
Participation in study group to advance knowledge of PT and clinical skill (3 or more licensees involved) conducted live or in real time via electronic media  .0109 (a) (5)	2 study hours = 1 point	Biographies of participants and group attendance records verifying time spent, study group goals, analysis of goal attainment and learning	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
Home study-self-designed-(CE articles, journals, courses, other self-designed experiences, etc.) for the purpose of advancing the knowledge and skill of the participant  .0109 (a) (6)	3 study hours = 1 point	Record of home study objectives, activities and time spent to meet objectives, analysis of learning outcomes	5 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	5 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
Continuing education participation required by credentialed residencies or fellowships  .0109 (a) (7)	1 contact hour = 1 point	Certificate of attendance issued by the credentialed residency or fellowship.	Up to 29 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period	N/ A
Completion of Home Study program for PT by an approved provider (may include activities completed on paper, via electronic media and as a part of other course requirements)  .0109 (a) (8)	1 study hour = 1 point	Certificate of attendance issued by the approved provider	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
<b>Advanced Training (Certification and Recognition)</b>				

Clinical participation in APTA Credentialed Fellowship .0109 (b) (1)	Clinical participation of 1 year = 10 points	Certificate conferred on licensee	20 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	N/A
Clinical participation in APTA Credentialed Residency .0109 (b) (2)	Clinical participation of 1 year = 10 points	Evidence that all requirements have been met	20 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	N/A
ABPTS specialty certification or re-certification .0109 (b) (3)	Receipt of certification or re-certification = 20 points	Notification from ABPTS granting certification or re-certification.	20 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	N/A
APTA Certification for Advanced Proficiency for the PTA .0109 (b) (4)	Receipt of Designation	Notification from APTA granting recognition	N/A	19 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.  May be used only one time.
<b>Clinical Education</b>				
Become an APTA Credentialed Clinical Instructor .0109 (d) (1)	1 course hour = 1 point	Credential certificate	29 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period. May be used one time only	19 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period. May be used one time only
Become APTA Credentialed Clinical Instructor Trainer .0109 (d) (2)	1 course hour = 1 point	Trainer certificate	29 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period. May be used one time only	19 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period. May be used one time only
Serve as an on-site, directly supervising, Clinical Instructor for full time entry-level PT	1 point for every 40 hours of supervising for a period of	Verification of the clinical supervision agreement with the accredited educational	8 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	8 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.

or PTA student; resident or fellow  .0109 (d) (3)	at least 80 hours	program for the student supervised and a log showing the number of hours spent supervising the student.		
<b>Presenting/teaching</b>				
Presenting or teaching <i>(Primary or co-presenter for course or conference)</i> in accredited PT or PTA program (adjunct)  .0109 (e)	1 hour teaching = 2 points	Date, lecture/course title, name of institution, goals and objectives; letter from instructor indicating time spent in classroom.	6 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	6 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
Lecturer in accredited program for other licensed health professionals  .0109 (e)	1 hour teaching = 2 points	Written materials advertising the presentation; Subject and goals and objectives of the presentation; written materials prepared by licensee	6 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	6 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
Primary or co-presenter in state, national or international workshop, seminar or professional conference (one time presentation per topic; preparation time not included)  .0109 (e)	1 hour teaching = 2 points	Written materials advertising the presentation; Subject and goals and objectives of the presentation; written materials prepared by licensee	6 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	6 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
<b>Clinical Practice</b>				
Full Time Practice – defined as greater than or equal to 1750 hours worked per year  .0109 (g) (1)	3 points / year for each year	Certification from employer or documentation of clinical practice hours as an owner of a practice	6 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	6 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
Part Time Practice - defined as at least 1000 hours but less than 1750 hours	2 points / year for each year	Certification from employer or documentation of clinical practice hours	4 points maximum may be earned for each reporting	4 points maximum may be earned for each reporting

worked per year .0109 (g) (2)		as an owner of a practice	period.	period.
PRN - defined as at least 200 hours but less than 1750 hours to 200 hours worked per year .0109 (g) (3)	1 point / year for each year	Certification from employer or documentation of clinical practice hours as an owner of a practice	2 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	2 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period

<b>Activities Related to Professional Roles</b>				
<b>Professional Membership and Service (PT or interdisciplinary group)</b>				
<b>Activity</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Documentation</b>	<b>Limitations and Criteria for Physical Therapists</b>	<b>Limitations and Criteria for Physical Therapist Assistants</b>
National level office or chair of national committee or task force member or delegate to a national assembly  .0109 (j) (1)	5 points / year for each year of service	Organizational materials listing participation, responsibilities and activities	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
State level office or chair of state level committee.0109 (j) (2)	4 points / year for each year of service	Organizational materials listing participation, responsibilities and activities	8 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	8 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
Local / regional / district level office or committee chair  .0109 (j) (3)	2 points / year for each year of service	Organizational materials listing participation, responsibilities and activities	4 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	4 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
Committee member – as it relates to professional activities  .0109 (j) (4)	1 point for each year of service	Organizational materials listing participation, responsibilities and activities	2 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	2 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.

Unpaid PT related community service to general public or other healthcare professionals  .0109 (j) (5)	20 hours or more per year = 1 point	Minimum 20 hours per year volunteering. Published materials describing activity	2 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	2 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
APTA Membership  .0109 (j) (6)	1 point/year	APTA membership card with proof of each membership year	2 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period	2 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
APTA Section(s) Member  .0109 (j) (7)	½ point / year	APTA membership card that identifies Section membership, with proof of each membership year.	1 point maximum may be earned for each reporting period; regardless of number of section memberships	1 point maximum may be earned for each reporting period; regardless of number of section memberships
Item writer of exam questions for NPTE other specialty exam for FSBPT or ABPTS  .0109 (j) (8)	5 points for each year of participation	Documentation of participation by FSBPT or ABPTS	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period
Participation in clinical research, clinical trials or research projects related to PT  .0109 (j) (9)	1 hour = 1 point	Log of hours of participation including date, activity performed, location of research and primary investigator	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period
<b>Jurisprudence Exercise</b>				
Jurisprudence exercise – REQUIRED  .0109 (k)	Each jurisprudence exercise can only be taken once during the 2-year period.	Certificate of completion	3 points may be earned for each reporting period.	3 points may be earned for each reporting period.

<b>Workplace Education / Facility-based Education</b>				
In-service (presentation) related to the practice of physical therapy  .0109 (i) (1)	1 hour = 1 point	Attendance roster or certification required by a representative of the employer.	5 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	5 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
In-service attendance related to the practice of physical therapy  .0109 (i) (1)	2 hours = 1 point	Attendance roster or certification required by a representative of the employer.	5 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	5 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
Safety training or governmental regulatory (CPR/AED, Risk Management, OSHA/Safety, HIPAA, etc.)  .0109 (i) (2)	2 hours = 1 point	Attendance roster or certification required by a representative of the employer.	1 point maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	1 point maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
<b>Professional Self Assessment / Reflective Practice</b>				
Reflective Practice Exercise – that describes process of evaluation of current clinical abilities; goals to improve clinical abilities; plan to meet those goals; objectives accomplished.  .0109 (h)	5 points	Evidence of completion of all elements of the exercise.	5 points, maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	5 points, maximum may be earned for each reporting period.

<b>Research and Publishing</b>				
<b>Note: 15 points maximum may be earned for continuing competence requirements from this category.</b>				
Research Grant Submitted (as principal investigator or co-PI) .0109 (f) (1)	10 points for submission of a research grant.	Title, abstract, funding agency, grant period documented.	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
Research Grant Funded (as principal investigator or co-PI) .0109 (f) (2)	10 points for serving as a principal investigator or co-PI	Title, abstract, funding agency, documentation of funding, funding period documented	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
Service as grants reviewer .0109 (f) (3)	2 hours grant review = 1 point	Dates of service, agency reviewed for, hours of involvement	5 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period. Points are awarded only once for each grant reviewed during the reporting period.	5 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period. Points are awarded only once for each grant reviewed during the reporting period.
Author/editor of a book published by a third party related to the practice of PT .0109 (f) (4)	10 points	Copy of published book and resources	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
Author/editor of published book chapter related to the practice of PT .0109 (f) (5)	5 points	Copy of published book chapter and resources	5 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	5 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.
Published peer-reviewed article related to the practice of PT .0109 (f) (6)	10 points	Copy of article, names and employers of reviewers and consulted resources.	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.	10 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period.

<p>Published non-peer reviewed article, book review or abstract related to the practice of PT  .0109 (f) (7)</p>	<p>4 points</p>	<p>Copy of article and resources.</p>	<p>4 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period. Each article, review or abstract earns points only once.</p>	<p>4 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period. Each article, review or abstract earns points only once.</p>
<p>Published peer-reviewed abstract, book review or peer-reviewed abstract for poster or presentation related to the practice of PT  .0109 (f) (8)</p>	<p>5 points</p>	<p>Copy of abstract of poster or presentation and resources</p>	<p>15 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period. Credit for same presentation awarded only one time for credit.</p>	<p>15 points maximum may be earned for each reporting period. Credit for same presentation awarded only one time for credit.</p>