

Position Statement – North Carolina Board of Physical Therapy Examiners

19. Electronic Signatures

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Based on the following rules, the Board determined that electronic signatures on patient treatment notes are acceptable, and licensees remain accountable for the documentation in the same manner as if an original signature was affixed to the note.

21 NCAC 48C .0102 RESPONSIBILITIES

(l) The physical therapist must document every evaluation and intervention/treatment, which must include the following elements:

- (1) Authentication (signature and designation) by the physical therapist who performed the service;

21 NCAC 48C .0201 SUPERVISION BY PHYSICAL THERAPIST

(f) The physical therapist assistant must document every intervention/treatment, which must include the following elements:

- (1) Authentication (signature and designation) by the physical therapist assistant who performed the service;

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