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58-24b-302 Licensure.

- (1) An applicant for a license as a physical therapist shall:
 - (a) be of good moral character;
 - (b) complete the application process, including payment of fees;
 - (c) submit proof of graduation from a professional physical therapist education program that is accredited by a recognized accreditation agency;
 - (d) after complying with Subsection (1)(c), pass a licensing examination;
 - (e) be able to read, write, speak, understand, and be understood in the English language and demonstrate proficiency to the satisfaction of the board if requested by the board; and
 - (f) meet any other requirements established by the division, by rule.
- (2) An applicant for a license as a physical therapist assistant shall:
 - (a) be of good moral character;
 - (b) complete the application process, including payment of fees set by the division, in accordance with Section 63J-1-504, to recover the costs of administering the licensing requirements relating to physical therapist assistants;
 - (c) submit proof of graduation from a physical therapist assistant education program that is accredited by a recognized accreditation agency;
 - (d) after complying with Subsection (2)(c), pass a licensing examination;
 - (e) be able to read, write, speak, understand, and be understood in the English language and demonstrate proficiency to the satisfaction of the board if requested by the board; and
 - (f) meet any other requirements established by the division, by rule.
- (3) An applicant for a license as a physical therapist who is educated outside of the United States shall:
 - (a) be of good moral character;
 - (b) complete the application process, including payment of fees;
 - (c)
 - (i) provide satisfactory evidence that the applicant graduated from a professional physical therapist education program that is accredited by a recognized accreditation agency; or
 - (ii)
 - (A) provide satisfactory evidence that the applicant graduated from a physical therapist education program that prepares the applicant to engage in the practice of physical therapy, without restriction;
 - (B) provide satisfactory evidence that the education program described in Subsection (3)(c)(ii)(A) is recognized by the government entity responsible for recognizing a physical therapist education program in the country where the program is located; and
 - (C) pass a credential evaluation to ensure that the applicant has satisfied uniform educational requirements;
 - (d) after complying with Subsection (3)(c), pass a licensing examination;
 - (e) be able to read, write, speak, understand, and be understood in the English language and demonstrate proficiency to the satisfaction of the board if requested by the board; and
 - (f) meet any other requirements established by the division, by rule.
- (4) The division shall issue a license to a person who holds a current unrestricted license to practice physical therapy in a state, district, or territory of the United States of America, other than Utah, if the person:
 - (a) is of good moral character;
 - (b) completes the application process, including payment of fees; and

- (c) is able to read, write, speak, understand, and be understood in the English language and demonstrate proficiency to the satisfaction of the board if requested by the board.
- (5)
 - (a) Notwithstanding Subsection 58-1-307(1)(c), an individual may not engage in an internship in physical therapy, unless the person is:
 - (i) certified by the division; or
 - (ii) exempt from licensure under Section 58-24b-304.
 - (b) The provisions of Subsection (5)(a) apply, regardless of whether the individual is participating in the supervised clinical training program for the purpose of becoming a physical therapist or a physical therapist assistant.

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