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1. Qualification. To qualify for a license as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant, an applicant must meet the following requirements:

A. Demonstrate that the applicant is trustworthy and competent to engage in practice as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant in such manner as to safeguard the interests of the public; [1999, c. 386, Pt. K, §3 (AMD).]

B. Be a graduate of an educational program for the physical therapist or the physical therapist assistant that is accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Commissioner of Education or the Council on Post-Secondary Accreditation, or both, and approved by the board; or if the applicant has been trained in another country, present satisfactory evidence that the applicant has graduated from a school of physical therapy approved or accredited in the country where the school is located and have educational credentials equivalent to those of the United States trained physical therapist or physical therapist assistant; and [1999, c. 386, Pt. K, §3 (AMD).]

Applicants trained in another country must demonstrate proficiency in written and spoken English.

C. Pass an examination, approved by the board, to determine the applicant's fitness to practice as a physical therapist or to act as a physical therapist assistant. [2007, c. 402, Pt. N, §5 (AMD).]

[2007, c. 402, Pt. N, §5 (AMD) .]

2. Application. To apply for a license as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant, an applicant shall:

A. Submit a written application with supporting documents to the board on forms provided by the board; and [1983, c. 413, §134 (RPR).]

B. Pay an application fee as set under section 3116-A. [2003, c. 250, Pt. A, §2 (AMD).]

C. [1983, c. 413, §135 (RP).]

In case the application is denied and permission to take the examination refused, the examination fee only must be returned to the applicant. An applicant who fails to pass the examination is entitled to a reexamination within 6 months upon repayment of the examination fee only. If an applicant fails one section of the examination, that applicant must repeat the entire examination. An applicant may not take any part of the examination more than 3 times, unless that applicant submits evidence of having acquired additional formal education related to the previously failed examination section or sections.

[2003, c. 250, Pt. A, §2 (AMD) .]

SECTION HISTORY

1981, c. 501, §63 (NEW). 1983, c. 413, §§132-135 (AMD). 1999, c. 386, §§K3,4 (AMD). 2003, c. 250, §A2 (AMD). 2007, c. 402, Pt. N, §5 (AMD).

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