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Have you registered for the FSBPT annual meeting? September 18-20, 2014 in San Francisco, California

If you are attending – even if the Federation is funding you – please register at http://www.fsbpt.org/NewsEvents/Events/Meetings/2014AnnualMeeting.aspx. This guarantees that we will have a lovely registration packet waiting for you at the Parc 55 Hotel in San Francisco.

Which attendees should register:

- Awardees
- Delegates (all voting, alternate)
- FSBPT committee chairs and members
- PT Board administrators, chairs, members
- *Speakers

*Speakers - you may want to register



Speakers, if you are planning on attending educational sessions other than your own, you may want to register and select your sessions so that they are in your registration packet. If you are just coming to present your session, don't worry – we will register you! (And we have made hotel reservations for you.)

View annual meeting agenda and delegate handbook reports

The annual meeting agenda and reports from the delegate handbook are now available for review at http://www.fsbpt.org/NewsEvents/Events/Meetings/2014AnnualMeeting.aspx.

Voting Delegates and each jurisdiction's board administrator will receive printed copies of the Delegate Handbook in September. Other attendees are encouraged to review and print the reports that interest them from the annual meeting web page listed above – look for the Delegate Handbook link.

Voting Delegates, be sure to bring your handbook with you to San Francisco!

2014 Leadership Issues Forum (LIF) completed

The forum was held on August 2-3, 2014 and the 70 participants included FSBPT Board of Directors, committee chairs, delegates/board representatives and board administrators as well as identified stakeholders.

This year's LIF focused on some general updates as well as these main topics:

- FSBPT eligibility requirements for sitting for the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE)
- Foreign Educated Study results
- Follow-up related to the Coursework Tool (CWT)
- Regulatory Issues Surrounding Telehealth
- Physical Therapy Licensure Compact
- Regulatory Issues of Re-entry to Practice

The purpose of the LIF is to:

- Provide information and data on critical regulatory issues that impact the regulation of physical therapy.
- Explore various ways of addressing the critical regulatory issues identified.
- Establish a plan for addressing the regulatory issues identified.
- Provide an opportunity for delegates or other jurisdiction representatives to understand and discuss issues prior to the Annual Meeting.
- Provide updates on previous LIF initiatives.

We are currently finalizing the 2014 LIF Report, which will be posted on the Member's site along with the LIF presentations.

2015 LIF scheduled

We have set the date for the 2015 Leadership Issues Forum – August 1-2, 2015 in Alexandria, Virginia.

Who will be invited?

Each jurisdiction's 2015 Voting Delegate and Funded Administrator for the 2015 FSBPT Annual Meeting in Orlando as well as the 2015 committee chairs will be automatically invited.

INPTRA 2015 registration opens

The International Network of Physiotherapy Regulatory Authorities (INPTRA) is hosting **INPTRA 2015** in **Singapore April 29-30 2015**. This is prior to World Confederation for Physical Therapy's Congress 2015.

If you are going to Singapore, be sure to attend! It will be two days of educational sessions and discussion on international physical therapy regulation.

Registration is now open at <u>http://www.inptra.org/Home/INPTRA2015.aspx</u>.

Note the Early Bird Registration fees if you register before December 2014.

California legislature approves two-year colleges to offer four-year degrees

The California Senate has approved a bill that would allow some community colleges to offer four-year degrees.

Brice W. Harris, chancellor of the community-college system, applauded the bill's passage, saying many fields now require employees to have "higher skill sets than are offered through associate-degree programs." The bill will allow community colleges to confer bachelor's degrees in areas not currently served by the state's two university systems, he said in a news release.

The idea has drawn criticism, however, from some who fear it would drastically alter the colleges' missions.

The measure, SB 850, would authorize a pilot program allowing 15 community-college districts to offer one bachelor's-degree program each. The program would start in January 2015 and end in July 2023.

The bill now heads to Gov. Jerry Brown. If he signs it into law, California will join 21 other states that have given community colleges the authority to grant four-year degrees.

aPTitude registration surpasses 11,000; ProCert certifies over 1,100 Activities

Utilization of two FSBPT continuing competence tools continues to increase. More than 11,000 PTs and PTAs have registered to use aPTitude, the free online continuing competence management system. The continuing competence activity certification program **ProCert** has certified over 1,100 activities since being launched in August 2012 (up from about 400 certified activities in January of this year). Currently there are 850 **ProCert** certified activities.

At this time, 20 jurisdictions accept **ProCert** certification, and at least 10 additional jurisdictions are in various stages of updating rules, regulations or policies to **ProCert**.

If you are a member or administrator of a licensure board and want to learn more about aPTitude and **ProCert** – including how we can share information at one of your upcoming board meetings – contact FSBPT Continuing Competence Staff (<u>competencestaff@fsbpt.org</u>).

Our volunteers hard at work

This month, FSBPT hosted the following hard-working groups in Alexandria.



PT Item Bank Review Committee and Exam Development Committee Item Writer Coordinators and Item Writing Workshop

Lisa Akers **Ronald Barredo Betsy Becker Barbara Behrens** Peggy Belmont **Charles Brown** Joseph Campbell Donna Cech Angela Chasteen **Mark Cornwall Carlton Curry Glenn Davis** Jeanne DeKrey **Ellen Donald** Maggie Donohue Michael Duchaj **Sharon Dunn** Kathy Fleischaker **Maria Fletcher** Karen Gordon

Leadership Issues Forum

Lindsi Gordon Kenneth Gordon Natalie Harms James Heider Heidi Herbst Paakkonen Annette Iglarsh **Neldy Jean-Francois** Jane Julian Jason Kaiser Mary Keehn **Tina Kelley** Nancy Kirsch **Ronald Kleinman** Vijay Kumar Danny Landry Nicole Lavoie Kathleen Luedtke-Hoffmann Stephanie Lunning Jill Marlan **Charlotte Martin**

Ben Massey Larry Ohman Teresa Ortega Stefanie Palma Mary Elizabeth Parker **Emilio Puentedura David Relling** Deborah Richardson-Peter **Michelle Roberts** Jeffrey Rosa **Thomas Ryan** Jay Segal **Ronald Seymour** Jason Shaw Senora Simpson Sara Takii **Melanie Taylor** Tina Volz **Bruce Wessman** Andrew Wodka

Spotlight on member resources: Free resources



You can find a number of useful documents and information on the Free Resources site of the public website, <u>www.fsbpt.org</u>. Be sure to check out everything that is available at <u>http://www.fsbpt.org/FreeResources.aspx</u>. Here are a few examples.

- ADA accommodations
- Scope of practice
- NPTE pass rate reports
- FSBPT model practice act
- National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) basis for action definitions documents

Cheating in the News: Mumford, Tennessee teacher cheating scandal takes high toll

On August 21, 2014, Bill Dries reported in The Daily News, "Federal prosecutors tallied the toll this week in the largest teacher exam cheating scandal ever pursued by authorities in the Western District of Tennessee.

"The occasion was the announcement Tuesday, Aug. 19, by U.S Attorney Ed Stanton of diversion agreements with four more teachers in the two-decade long scandal and a June guilty plea and sentencing of former Hillcrest High School and Byhalia High School basketball coach James O. Sales of Memphis.

"With the four diversion agreements announced Tuesday that makes a total of 40 one-time teachers who agreed to diversion including terms in which they each agreed to pay restitution to the school systems they worked for, gave up their teaching licenses and agreed to not even attempt to try to become teachers again for at least five years."

View article.

Board of Directors Report

Here are the motions from the August 1-3, 2014 Board of Directors minutes.

To approve Orlando, Florida as the location for the October 15-17, 2015 annual meeting and to approve Columbus, Ohio for the November 2016 annual meeting.

Rationale: This will enable the meeting planner to finalize contracts. *Fiscal Impact*: None at this time. It will be included in the appropriate year's budget.

To appoint the following individuals to the Licensure Compact Drafting Team. (All board members who voted were in favor and there was one abstention: Jeff Rosa.)

Jean Bickel Crady deGolian Justin Elliott Public member CSG Consultant APTA

Dargan Ervin	Physical Therapist	
Nancy Kirsch	Board liaison	
Scott Majors	Administrator/lawyer	
Dan Manz	Facilitator	
Rick Masters	CSG/lawyer consultant	
Jeff Rosa	Administrator	
Barbara Safriet	Public Member/lawyer	
Bo Watson	Physical Therapist/State Senator	

Rationale: To move forward with the development of a licensure compact as recommended by the advisory task force. *Fiscal impact*: Already budgeted for 2014.

Logging in

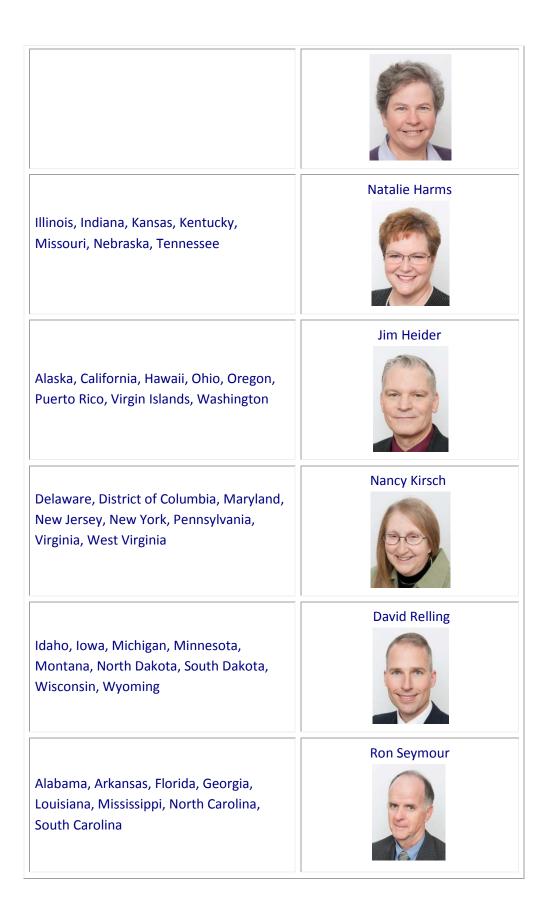
FSBPT members can log in to the Members section of the FSBPT website by clicking on "Members Login" at the top of the page. Look for "Forgot your username or password?" if you have forgotten or don't know them.

Board minutes can be found under FSBPT Governance.

Board Liaisons to Jurisdictions

Find out which member of the board of directors is liaison to your jurisdiction.







Staff Contact Information Who Should I Contact?

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Т (Call FSBPT unless otherwise noted after name.)

Subject	Point of Contact
ADA accommodations	Shana Smith
Assessment/ examination	Lorin Mueller, Ph.D.
development questions	Susan Layton
Continuing competence	Heidi Herbst Paakkonen
	Holly Ball
Credentials review	Jaime Nolan, FCCPT
	Susan K. Lindeblad, Ph.D., FCCPT
Exam registration	Christine Sousa
processing	
Foreign educated issues	Mark Lane
	Susan K. Lindeblad, Ph.D., FCCPT
Immigration	Susan K. Lindeblad, Ph.D., FCCPT
Legislation or	Mark Lane
Model Practice Act	Leslie Adrian
Meeting arrangements	Paul Delaney
Member contact updates	Maribeth C. Decker
NPDB reports/questions	Angela Burnham
Practice Review Tool (PRT)	practicereview@fsbpt.org
PT and PTA Practice Exam	peat@fsbpt.org
& Assessment Tool (PEAT)	
Reimbursement of	Tracy Leadmon
expenses; other financial	Larry Wilkerson
matters	
School reports	SchoolReports@fsbpt.org
Score transfer & reporting	Christine Sousa
Security issues	Susan Layton
Anything else,	William A. Hatherill

including news to share	Maribeth C. Decker
with members	



Sign off: That's all the news today from the cardinal flowered late summer blooming banks of the Potomac, where the fish are faster, the fishing boats are longer, and the fishermen are still full of stories. - William A. Hatherill, CEO