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Salute to Mark Lane's Retirement/Richard Woolf appointment

Mark Lane, Vice President of Professional Standards, officially retires from this role at the end of December. He is also returning to his roots with a relocation to the beautiful Columbia River Gorge area of Washington State. Mark had opportunity to bid many FSBPT members and friends adieu at his final Annual Meeting last month, and he also shared a keynote address "A Regulatory Journey: Ten Lessons Learned in Life and Regulation". Mark's address only touched on the very significant contributions and advancements he has made on and for FSBPT and physical therapy regulation in his 20+ years. We wish Mark well as he embarks on new adventures in retirement. At the same time FSBPT looks forward to Rich Woolf stepping into the Vice President role effective in January. Rich brings a wealth of experience from many different facets of the organization, beginning with service as an NPTE volunteer for 4 years, and 10 years on staff with the Assessment area. We have been working on a seamless transition to effectively meet the needs of FSBPT's membership and the public we serve.

FSBPT Membership Survey

In early 2019 the FSBPT Board of Directors will be doing strategic planning. One key element in this process is input from our members on what is important now, and what will be important in the future. The membership survey is our way of collecting that information.

Members will soon receive an email from an external marketing researcher with a request to complete the survey. Your thoughts on what we do and how we do it are extremely valuable to FSBPT and we encourage you to complete the survey. Thank you in advance for your participation.

FSBPT-APTA aPTitude® Partnership Update

In January, FSBPT and APTA announced a new partnership to make APTA's complete catalog of learning activities available in aPTitude to improve the PT/PTA/student experience in searching for and recording APTA activities. Nearly 350 sessions of APTA's Combined Sections Meeting (CSM) 2018 were imported into aPTitude and about 73,000 PT/PTA/student attendance records were verified for those sessions. More recently all sessions offered at APTA's NEXT Conference & Exposition 2018 were imported into aPTitude and close to 8,000 attendance records were verified in the system.

Contact us at CompetenceStaff@fsbpt.org to learn more about this partnership or to experience how this functionality works for PTs/PTAs/students using aPTitude.



Our Gratitude for Volunteers Hard at Work

This month, we thank the generous volunteer members of these groups for their support of our mission:

- Technical Advisory Panel (TAP)
- Exam Development Committee - PT
- Exam Development Committee – PTA
- Finance Committee
 - Tina Kelley
 - Brian Miller
 - Kirk Peck
 - David Reed
 - Steven Scherger
 - Jeffrey Vinzant

News from the Nevada Board

Nevada has adopted the FSBPT Continuing Competence Model and will fully implement aPTitude for use by all licensees when updated regulations are ratified within the next 6 months. Nevada is adopting the use of the JAM and is in the process of finalizing with FSBPT to require successful JAM completion at

initial licensure and in every year ending in 5 and 0. Two continuing competence units (CCUs) will be awarded for achieving a passing score on the JAM. Nevada has also approved 8 CCUs for any licensee taking oPTion; this activity can be completed every 5 years.

In other news Nevada is introducing legislation during the 2019 legislative session to adopt the PT Compact. Additionally the Nevada board has its first ever PTA board appointment as a result of a recent statute change. Finally, the Nevada board is planning a strategic planning session at its March 2019 meeting.



Spotlight on Member Resources: Annual Meeting Delegate Assembly Meeting Minutes and Presentations are now on the Website!

If you couldn't attend the Annual Meeting and Delegate Assembly Meeting in Reston, VA, we invite you to [review the presentations and learn more about the speakers](#) who helped make this year's event memorable.

We also encourage you to review the [Delegate Assembly Meeting Minutes](#).

Board of Directors Report

Recently, to advance the business of the Federation, the board approved the motions listed.

To appoint the following committee chairs effective January 1, 2019.

- **Continuing Competence** Michele Thorman, WI, continue as Chair; term end 12/31/2019
- **Education** Christine Snyder, FL; term end 12/31/2019
- **Ethics and Legislation** Tina Baum, NV; term end 12/31/2019
- **Resolutions** Adrienne Price, GA, term end 12/31/2019
- **Membership Survey Task Force** Adrienne Price, GA

Rationale: Each year, committee and task force chairs are appointed or reappointed as terms expire.

Fiscal Impact: None. Committee and task force meetings are approved separately.

To appoint, reappoint or extend the following people to the exam committees listed:

EDC-PT

- **Co-Chair** Carlo De Castro, PT (NY): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- **Co-Chair** Lisa Dannemiller, PT (CO): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- **Co-Chair** Chad Lairamore, PT (AR): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Teresa Briedwell, PT (MO): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Kristen Metzler-Wilson, PT (IN): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Debra Gray, PT (FL): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Sheri Hale, PT (VA): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Becky Rodda, PT (MI): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2020

EDC-PTA

- Claudia Medeiros, PT (FL): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Brandi Lipovsky, PTA (PA): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Danette Neikirk, PT (MO): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Deanne Yates, PTA (KS): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Jacqueline Kopack, PT (PA): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021

Item Writing Coordinator PT

- Julie Ronnenbaum, PT (IA): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021

Item Writing Coordinators PTA

- Linda Carlson, PT (TX): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021

Item Writing Task Force PT

- Navpreet Kaur, PT (TX): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Paul-Neil Czujko, PT (NY): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Jason Falvey, PT (CT): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Beth Williamson, PT (MO): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Natalia Ruiz, PT (NY): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021

Item Writing Task Force PTA

- Maribeth Vowell, PT (TN): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Rodiel “Kirby” Baloy, PT (CA): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Shelly Watkins, PT (NC): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Robyn Towner, PT (FL): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Amanda Storer, PTA (TX): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021
- Dawn Smathers, PT (MO): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019
- Peter Zawicki, PT (AZ): January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Rationale: Each year, committee chairs and members are appointed or reappointed.

Fiscal Impact: None.

In the Regulatory Industry

2019 INPTRA Conference in Geneva, Switzerland May 8-9, 2019

Preceding the World Confederation for Physical Therapy (WCPT) Congress next year, the International Network of Physiotherapy Regulatory Authorities (INPTRA) will be holding its biennial meeting in Geneva, Switzerland. [Registration](#) is open and the meeting will be held at Crowne Plaza Geneva Hotel.

The educational program will focus on: Regulatory Board Governance and Effectiveness; Mobility, Workforce, and Technology; Ethics, Standards, and Scope of Practice; and Regulatory Innovations and Issues. The meeting will include speakers from around the world who provide insight into various models and approaches to regulation. There will be a keynote speaker, small group sessions, and rapid

fire presentations, along with a networking reception to engage the audience in a unique learning opportunity. We hope you will join us, and please feel free to email info@inpra.org with any questions.

In the News

"New Occupational Licensing Analysis Opposes Traditional Theory", Published on The Council of State Governments website June 5, 2018

"Washington D.C., June 5, 2018 – Restrictions to employment opportunities and wage inflation of license holders are arguments commonly tied to occupational licensing. However data collected by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and analyzed by The Council of State Governments (CSG) found that licensing had no such effects. As a result of this study the CSG recommends 'enhancing portability of state licensing and creating more a more equitable system for vulnerable populations like veterans and military families, people with criminal records, immigrants, and long-term unemployed workers is a crucial need. However, it is not clear from this evidence that deregulation will have the economic impacts that some believe'. The CSG further suggests 'perhaps policymakers should focus their efforts on things other than deregulation when figuring out how to grow their state economies'."

Read the full article [here](#).

Board Liaisons to Jurisdictions

Members of the board of directors serve as liaisons to multiple jurisdictions. Your liaison may be changing due to the elections at the 2018 Delegate Assembly in November. New liaisons will be formalized via motion in December 2018 and will be provided in the next newsletter.

Staff Contact Information

If you have questions, challenges or ideas, we want to hear from you! FSBPT®: (703) 299-3100 FCCPT®: (703) 684-8406 (Call FSBPT unless otherwise noted after name)	
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Sign off:

That's all the news today from the pumpkin and fodder shock covered 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*