

CHAPTER 202  
PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANTS

**645—202.1(147) Definitions.**

“*Board*” means the board of physical and occupational therapy examiners.

“*Department*” means the department of public health.

“*Hour of continuing education*” means 50 minutes of attendance per clock hour.

“*Licensee*” means any person licensed to practice as a physical therapist assistant in the state of Iowa.

“*Licensure by interstate endorsement*” means the issuance of an Iowa license to practice as a physical therapist assistant to an applicant who is currently licensed in another state. Application will be considered on an individual basis for licensure in Iowa if the applicant meets the qualifications required of a licensed physical therapist assistant in Iowa.

**645—202.2(147) General.**

**202.2(1)** Licenses issued by the board shall be for licensure by examination or licensure by interstate endorsement. Each license shall be 8½ by 11 inches in size. Each license issued shall bear the signature of the chairperson of the board of physical and occupational therapy examiners.

**202.2(2)** The board requires the satisfactory completion of the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) or other nationally recognized equivalent examination as defined by the board.

**202.2(3)** For examinations taken prior to July 1, 1994, satisfactory completion shall be defined as receiving an overall examination score exceeding 1.5 standard deviations below the national average. For examinations completed after July 1, 1994, satisfactory completion shall be defined as receiving an overall examination score equal to or greater than the criterion-referenced passing point recommended by the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy.

**202.2(4)** An examinee failing the examination shall be required to repeat the entire examination. No individual may repeat the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) or other nationally recognized equivalent examination more than three times every five years. Payment of the examination fee is required for all repeats of the examination.

**202.2(5)** A notarized copy of the official document of name change, if applicable, is required with initial application.

**202.2(6)** Persons desiring information concerning the time and place of meetings of the board of physical and occupational therapy examiners or other information should write to Professional Licensure, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**202.2(7)** Rescinded IAB 8/27/97, effective 10/1/97.

**202.2(8)** Incomplete applications that have been on file in the board office for two years shall be considered invalid and be destroyed. The application fee is nonrefundable.

**645—202.3(147) Licensure by examination.**

**202.3(1)** Applications for licensure to practice as a physical therapist assistant in Iowa shall be made to Professional Licensure, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075 on an application form furnished by the board. The application shall include the following:

*a.* Applicant’s full name, current address, age, date of birth, place of birth, and other information as requested on the application form.

*b.* Foreign trained physical therapist assistants will submit an English translation and an equivalency evaluation of their professional curriculum. Education equivalency will be evaluated by one of the following: International Education Research Foundations, Inc., Credentials Evaluation Service, P.O. Box 66940, Los Angeles, CA 90066, telephone (213)390-6276; International Consultants of Delaware, Inc., 109 Barksdale, Professional Center, Newark, DE 19711, telephone (302)737-8715; International Credentialing Associates, South Trust Bank Building, Suite 1600, 150 Second Avenue North, St. Petersburg, FL 33701, telephone (800)367-5135. If the evaluation indicates a shortage of required credits, general education requirements must be obtained at a school accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools or an equivalent accrediting association in other regions of the United States. The professional curriculum must be equivalent to American Physical Therapy Association standards. An applicant shall bear the expense of the curriculum evaluation.

*c.* If the professional examination is taken in another state, a certified copy of the scores from the appropriate examination.

*d.* The required fee in the form of a check or money order made payable to the Board of Physical and Occupational Therapy Examiners.

*e.* An official transcript, with school seal, of physical therapist assistant professional curriculum.

*f.* A notarized copy of the certificate or diploma awarded the applicant from a physical therapist assistant school accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the American Physical Therapy Association Commission on Accreditation and Education. If the applicant graduated from a degree program which did not issue a diploma stating the applicant's degree is in a physical therapist assistant program, the application shall include a statement verifying that the degree was in a physical therapist assistant program.

**202.3(2)** Rescinded IAB 10/23/96, effective 10/4/96.

**202.3(3)** An applicant, who will be working as a physical therapist assistant prior to licensure, shall include on the application form the name of the licensed, supervising physical therapist who will be providing supervision of the applicant until the applicant is licensed. The applicant will notify the board, within seven days, of any change in supervision.

**202.3(4)** Scores of examinations taken more than five years prior to date of application by examination will be considered invalid.

**202.3(5)** An applicant physical therapist assistant is a person who has made application for licensure and is awaiting board action. The applicant may practice under the supervision of a licensed physical therapist for a period not to exceed six months in the case of licensure by examination. During this time the applicant may perform physical therapy procedures as delegated by the supervising physical therapist only under "on-site" supervision. Documentation made in physical therapy records by an applicant physical therapist assistant shall be cosigned by the supervising physical therapist.

#### **645—202.4(147) Licensure by interstate endorsement.**

**202.4(1)** An individual currently licensed as a physical therapist assistant in another state seeking a license to practice as a physical therapist assistant in Iowa will be considered on an individual basis under the principle of interstate endorsement.

**202.4(2)** Applications for licensure to practice as a physical therapist assistant in Iowa shall be made to Professional Licensure, Iowa Department of Public Health, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0075.

**202.4(3)** An applicant for licensure by interstate endorsement shall have successfully completed a course of study for the physical therapist assistant accredited by the commission on accreditation in education of the American Physical Therapy Association, or another appropriate accrediting body, and have passed an examination administered by the board of physical and occupational therapy examiners, and:

- a.* Have practiced as a physical therapist assistant for a minimum of 2,080 hours during the immediate preceding three-year time period; or
- b.* Have served as a full-time faculty member teaching in a physical therapist assistant program in a school of physical therapy for at least one of the immediate preceding three years; or
- c.* Have graduated from an approved physical therapist assistant program within a period of one year from the date of graduation to the time application is completed for licensure; or
- d.* Have completed 40 hours of board-approved continuing education.

**202.4(4)** Applicants shall arrange to provide the board with:

- a.* An official statement from each state board of examiners regarding the status of the applicant's license, including issue date, expiration date and information regarding any pending or prior investigations or disciplinary action. The applicant shall request such statements from all states in which they are currently or formerly licensed.

- b.* A certified copy of the scores from the appropriate professional examination.

- c.* Foreign trained physical therapist assistants will submit an English translation and an equivalency evaluation of their professional curriculum. Education equivalency will be evaluated by one of the following: International Education Research Foundations, Inc., Credentials Evaluation Service, P.O. Box 66940, Los Angeles, CA 90066, telephone (213)390-6276; International Consultants of Delaware, Inc., 109 Barksdale, Professional Center, Newark, DE 19711, telephone (302)737-8715; International Credentialing Associates, South Trust Bank Building, Suite 1600, 150 Second Avenue North, St. Petersburg, FL 33701, telephone (800)367-5135. If the evaluation indicates a shortage of required credits, general education requirements must be obtained at a school accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools or an equivalent accrediting association in other regions of the United States. The professional curriculum must be equivalent to American Physical Therapy Association standards. An applicant shall bear the expense of the curriculum evaluation.

**202.4(5)** An applicant for licensure under subrule 202.4(3), paragraphs "a" and "b," must include with this application a sworn statement of previous physical therapist assistant practice from employer or professional associate, detailing places and dates of employment and verifying that the applicant has practiced as a physical therapist assistant at least 2,080 hours or taught as a full-time faculty member for at least one of the immediately preceding years during the last three-year time period.

**202.4(6)** An applicant shall submit the required fee in the form of a check or money order made payable to the Board of Physical and Occupational Therapy Examiners.

**202.4(7)** An applicant physical therapist assistant is a person who has made application for licensure and is awaiting board action. The applicant may practice under the supervision of a licensed physical therapist for a period not to exceed three months in the case of licensure by endorsement. During this time the applicant may perform physical therapy procedures as delegated by the supervising physical therapist only under "on-site" supervision. Documentation made in physical therapy records by an applicant physical therapist assistant shall be cosigned by the supervising physical therapist.

**202.4(8)** An applicant who will be working as a physical therapist assistant prior to licensure shall include on the application form the name of the licensed, supervising physical therapist who will be providing supervision of the applicant until the applicant is licensed. In the event that there is a change of the supervising physical therapist providing supervision, the applicant shall submit the name of the therapist to the board in writing within seven days after the change in supervision takes place.

**202.4(9)** Applicants not meeting all requirements in this rule are required to meet all the requirements as set out in rule 202.3(147), including taking or retaking the appropriate physical therapist assistant professional examination.

**645—202.5(147) Education exemption.** Rescinded IAB 8/3/94, effective 9/7/94.

**645—202.6(147) License renewal.**

**202.6(1)** Beginning July 1, 1999, a license to practice as a physical therapist assistant shall expire every two years on the fifteenth day of the birth month. Continuing education requirements shall be completed within the same renewal period for each license holder.

An application and a continuing education report form for renewal of license to practice as a physical therapist assistant shall be mailed to the licensee at least 60 days prior to the expiration of the license. Failure to receive the renewal application shall not relieve the license holder of the obligation to pay biennial renewal fees on or before the renewal date.

**202.6(2)** Beginning July 1, 1999, the continuing education requirements will coincide with the renewal compliance period. The licensee shall submit to the board office, 30 days before licensure expiration, the application and continuing education report form with the renewal fee as specified in rule 202.10(147). Individuals who were issued their initial license within six months of their birth month will not be required to renew their license until the fifteenth day of their birth month two years later. The new licensee is exempt from meeting the continuing education requirement for the continuing education biennium in which the license is originally issued. Individuals will be required to report 20 hours of continuing education for the first renewal and every renewal thereafter.

**202.6(3)** Late renewal. If the renewal fees are received by the board within 30 days after the renewal expiration date, a penalty fee is charged. If renewal fees are received more than 30 days after the renewal expiration date, the license is lapsed. An application for reinstatement must be filed with the board with the reinstatement fee, the renewal fee and the penalty fee as outlined in rule 202.10(147). Individuals who fail to submit the renewal application and complete documentation of continuing education hours shall be required to pay a penalty fee and shall be subject to an audit of their continuing education report.

**202.6(4)** Physical therapist assistants who have not fulfilled the requirements for license renewal or an exemption in the required time frame will have a lapsed license and shall not practice as a physical therapist assistant.

**645—202.7(147) Exemptions for inactive practitioners.** A licensee who is not practicing as a physical therapist assistant in the state of Iowa residing within or without the state of Iowa may be granted a certificate of exemption upon written application to the board. The application shall contain a statement that the applicant will not practice as a physical therapist assistant in Iowa without first complying with all provisions governing reinstatement after exemption in rule 202.8(147). The application for a certificate of exemption shall be submitted upon a form provided by the board.

Individuals who fail to request reinstatement after a three-year period from the date the certificate of exemption was granted shall be considered to have a lapsed license.

**645—202.8(147) Reinstatement of exempted, inactive practitioners.** Inactive practitioners who have been granted a waiver of compliance with these rules and obtained a certification of exemption shall, prior to practicing as a physical therapist assistant in the state of Iowa, satisfy the following requirements for reinstatement:

**202.8(1)** Submit written application for reinstatement to the board upon forms provided by the board, pay current renewal and reinstatement fee; and

**202.8(2)** Furnish in the application evidence of one of the following:

- a. Completion of a total number of hours of accredited continuing education computed by multiplying 20 for each renewal period the license has been inactive; or
- b. Successful completion of the appropriate physical therapist assistant professional examination required in subrule 202.2(2) within one year immediately prior to the submission of the application for reinstatement.

**202.8(3)** Rescinded IAB 10/23/96, effective 10/4/96.

**645—202.9(147) Reinstatement of lapsed license.** Individuals who have allowed their licenses to lapse, prior to practicing as physical therapist assistants in the state of Iowa, shall satisfy the following requirements for reinstatement:

**202.9(1)** Submit written application for reinstatement to the board on forms provided by the board, pay the current application fee, the reinstatement fee and applicable penalty fees; and

**202.9(2)** Furnish in the application evidence of one of the following:

- a. Completion of a total number of hours of accredited continuing education computed by multiplying 20 for each renewal period the license has been inactive; or
- b. Successful completion of the appropriate physical therapy professional examination required in subrule 202.2(2) within one year immediately prior to the submission of the application for reinstatement.

**645—202.10(147) License fees.** All fees are nonrefundable.

**202.10(1)** The application fee for a license to practice as a physical therapist assistant issued upon the basis of examination or endorsement is \$90 in check or money order made payable to the Board of Physical and Occupational Therapy Examiners. The examination fee is an additional \$185 made payable by cashier's check to the Professional Examination Service (PES) and submitted to the Board of Physical and Occupational Therapy Examiners with application.

**202.10(2)** The renewal fee of a license to practice as a physical therapist assistant for a biennial period is \$45. Biennial renewal fee for a license to practice as a physical therapist assistant for the 1999 renewal cycle only is as follows:

<u>Birth Month</u>	<u>Prorated Fee</u>
July 1999	\$45
August 1999	\$47
September 1999	\$49
October 1999	\$51
November 1999	\$53
December 1999	\$54
January 2000	\$56
February 2000	\$58
March 2000	\$60
April 2000	\$62
May 2000	\$64
June 2000	\$66

**202.10(3)** Penalty fee for failure to complete and return the physical therapist assistant renewal application before the renewal expiration date is \$45.

**202.10(4)** Penalty fee for failure to complete the required continuing education during the renewal period is \$50. Failure to complete and return the continuing education report by the end of the renewal period is \$50.

**202.10(5)** Reinstatement fee following inactive exemption and lapsed license is \$100.

**202.10(6)** Fee for certified statement that a licensee is licensed in Iowa is \$10.

**202.10(7)** Fee for failure to report, in writing, change of address after 30 days is \$10.

**202.10(8)** Fee for failure to report, in writing, change of name within 30 days is \$10.

**202.10(9)** Fee for a duplicate or replacement license is \$10.

**202.10(10)** Fee for a returned check is \$15.

**645—202.11(272C) Continuing education requirements.**

**202.11(1)** It is the responsibility of each licensee to arrange for financing of costs of continuing education.

**202.11(2)** Each person licensed to practice as a physical therapist assistant in this state shall complete during each continuing education compliance period a minimum of 20 hours of continuing education approved by the board. Compliance with the requirement of continuing education is a prerequisite for license renewal for each subsequent license renewal period.

**202.11(3)** The continuing education compliance period shall be each biennium beginning the fifteenth day of the birth month and ending two years later on the fifteenth day of the birth month. For the 1999 renewal cycle only, 25 hours of continuing education will be due by July 1, 1999. Continuing education hours will return to 20 hours each biennium at the end of this prorated compliance period.

**202.11(4)** Hours of continuing education credit may be obtained by attending and participating in a continuing education activity which meets the requirement herein.

**202.11(5)** Carryover credit of continuing education hours into the next continuing education period will not be permitted.

**202.11(6)** Rescinded IAB 4/22/98, effective 5/27/98.

**202.11(7)** Individuals who were issued their licenses by reinstatement or interstate endorsement within six months of their birth month are exempt from meeting the continuing education requirement for the continuing education biennium in which the license is reinstated or issued by endorsement. Individuals will be required to report 20 hours of continuing education for the first renewal and every renewal thereafter.

**645—202.12(272C) Standards for approval.**

**202.12(1)** Continuing education is that education which is obtained by a professional or occupational licensee in order to maintain, improve, or expand skills and knowledge. A continuing education activity which meets all of the following criteria is appropriate for continuing education credit.

*a.* It constitutes an organized program of learning (including a workshop or symposium) which contributes directly to the professional competency of the licensee; and

*b.* It pertains to common subjects or other subject matters which integrally relate to the practice of physical therapy; and

*c.* It is conducted by individuals who have special education, training and experience by reason of which individuals should be considered experts concerning the subject matter of the program, and is accompanied by a paper, manual or outline which substantively pertains to the subject matter of the program and reflects program schedule.

*d.* It fulfills stated program goals or objectives, or both.

*e.* It provides proof of attendance to include the following:

(1) Date, place, course title, presenter(s).

(2) Number of program contact hours.

(3) Official signature of program sponsor.

**202.12(2)** Continuing education credit may be granted for the following:

*a.* A maximum of 10 hours of credit will be given for presenting professional programs which meet the criteria as listed in 645—200.11(1). Two hours of credit will be awarded for each hour of presentation. A course schedule or brochure must be maintained for audit.

*b.* Official transcripts indicating successful completion of academic courses which apply to the field of physical therapy will be necessary in order to receive the following continuing education credits:

One semester credit = 10 continuing education hours of credit;

One trimester credit = 8 continuing education hours of credit;

One quarter credit = 7 continuing education hours of credit.

*c.* Participation in research or other activities of which the results are published in a recognized professional publication. (Maximum of 10 hours per continuing education biennium.)

*d.* A maximum of 10 hours of viewing videotaped presentations will be allowed per biennium if the following criteria are met:

(1) There is a sponsoring group or agency.

(2) There is a facilitator or program official present.

(3) The program official may not be the only attendee.

(4) The program meets all the criteria of subrule 202.11(1).

*e.* Home study courses that have a certificate of completion will be considered for a maximum of 10 hours per biennium.

**202.12(3)** The subject areas listed below will be considered for a maximum of 10 hours of continuing education per biennium:

Business-related topics: marketing, time management, government regulations, and other like topics.

Personal skills topics: career burnout, communications skills, human relations, and other like topics.

General health topics: clinical research, CPR, child abuse reporting, and other like topics.

**645—202.13(272C) Reporting continuing education credits.**

**202.13(1)** A report of continuing education activities shall be submitted on a board-approved form with the renewal application by the end of the biennial license renewal period. All continuing education activities submitted must be completed in the continuing education compliance period for which the license was issued as specified in 202.11(3) or a late fee will be assessed as outlined in 202.10(4).

**202.13(2)** Failure to receive renewal application shall not relieve the physical therapist assistant of the responsibility of meeting continuing education requirements and submitting the fee for renewal by the end of the compliance period.

**202.13(3)** Audit of continuing education reports.

*a.* After each educational biennium the board will audit a percentage of the continuing education reports before granting the renewal of licenses to those being audited.

*b.* All renewal license applications that are submitted late (after the end of the compliance period) shall be subject to audit of continuing education reports.

*c.* Any physical therapist assistant against whom a complaint is filed may be subject to an audit of continuing education.

*d.* The licensee must make the following information available to the board for auditing purposes:

(1) Date, place, course title, schedule, presenter(s).

(2) Number of contact hours for program attended.

(3) Official signature of sponsor indicating successful completion of course.

*e.* For auditing purposes the physical therapist assistant must retain the above information for four years.

**645—202.14(272C) Hearings.** The board adopts herein by reference rule 645—200.14(272C).

**645—202.15(272C) Disability or illness.** The board adopts herein by reference rule 645—200.15(272C).

**645—202.16(272C) Complaint.** The board adopts herein by reference rule 645—200.16(272C).

**645—202.17(272C) Report of malpractice claims or actions or disciplinary actions.** The board adopts herein by reference rule 645—200.17(272C).



**645—202.18(272C) Investigation of complaints or malpractice claims.** The board adopts herein by reference rule 645—200.18(272C).

**645—202.19(272C) Informal settlement and license denial.** The board adopts herein by reference rule 645—200.19(272C).

**645—202.20(272C) Disciplinary procedure.** The board adopts herein by reference rule 645—200.20(272C).

**645—202.21(272C) Method of discipline.** The board adopts herein by reference rule 645—200.21(272C).

**645—202.22(272C) Discretion of board.** The board adopts herein by reference rule 645—200.22(272C).

**645—202.23(272C) Grounds for discipline.** The board may impose any of the disciplinary sanctions set forth in rule 645—200.21(272C), including civil penalties in an amount not to exceed \$1000, when the board determines that a licensee is guilty of any of the following acts or offenses.

**202.23(1)** All grounds listed in Iowa Code section 147.55.

**202.23(2)** Violation of the rules promulgated by the board.

**202.23(3)** Personal disqualifications:

*a.* Mental or physical inability reasonably related to and adversely affecting the licensee's ability to practice in a safe and competent manner.

*b.* Involuntary commitment for treatment of mental illness, drug addiction or alcoholism.

**202.23(4)** Practicing the profession while the license is suspended or lapsed.

**202.23(5)** Revocation, suspension, or other disciplinary action taken by a licensing authority of another state, territory, or country; or failure by the licensee to report in writing to the Iowa board of physical and occupational therapy examiners revocation, suspension, or other disciplinary action taken by a licensing authority of another state, territory, or country; or both.

**202.23(6)** Negligence by the licensee in the practice of the profession, which is a failure to exercise due care including negligent delegation to or supervision of employees or other individuals, whether or not injury results; or any conduct, practice or conditions which impair the ability to safely and skillfully practice the profession.

**202.23(7)** Failure to comply with the following rules of ethical conduct and practice.

*a.* A physical therapist assistant shall not practice outside the scope of the license.

*b.* When the physical therapist assistant does not possess the skills or knowledge to perform the delegated tasks, the physical therapist assistant is obligated to inform the delegating physical therapist and refuse to perform the delegated tasks.

*c.* The physical therapist assistant shall not exercise undue influence on patients to purchase equipment produced or supplied by a company in which the physical therapist owns stock or has any other direct or indirect financial interest.

*d.* Physical therapist assistants shall not permit another person to use their licenses for any purpose.

*e.* A physical therapist assistant shall not obtain, possess, or attempt to obtain or possess a controlled substance without lawful authority or sell, prescribe, give away, or administer a controlled substance in the practice of physical therapy.

*f.* A physical therapist assistant shall not verbally or physically abuse a patient.

*g.* A physical therapist assistant shall not engage in sexual misconduct. Sexual misconduct includes the following:

(1) Engaging in or soliciting a sexual relationship, whether consensual or nonconsensual, with a patient.

(2) Making sexual advances, requesting sexual favors, or engaging in other verbal conduct or physical contact of a sexual nature with a patient.

*h.* The physical therapist assistant shall work only when supervised by a physical therapist and in accordance with rule 645—200.24(272C). If the available supervision does not meet the standards as set forth in rule 645—200.24(272C), the physical therapist assistant shall refuse to administer treatment.

*i.* The signature of the physical therapist assistant on a physical therapy treatment record indicates that the physical therapy services were provided in accordance with the rules and regulations for practicing as a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant.

**202.23(8)** Unethical business practices, consisting of any of the following:

*a.* False or misleading advertising.

*b.* Betrayal of a professional confidence.

*c.* Falsifying patient's records.

**202.23(9)** Failure to notify the board of a change of name or address within 30 days after it occurs.

**202.23(10)** Submission of a false report of continuing education, or failure to submit the required report of continuing education.

**202.23(11)** Failure to notify the board within 30 days after occurrence of any judgment or settlement of a malpractice claim or disciplinary action taken by another state.

**202.23(12)** Failure to comply with a subpoena issued by the board.

**202.23(13)** Failure to report to the board as provided in Iowa Code section 272C.9 any violation by another licensee of the reasons for disciplinary action as listed in this rule.

**202.23(14)** Failure to report to the board as provided in Iowa Code section 272C.9 any violation by a physical therapist of the reasons for disciplinary action as listed in rule 202.20(272C).

**202.23(15)** Obtaining a license by fraud or misrepresentation.

**202.23(16)** Conviction of a felony related to the practice of physical therapy or the conviction of any felony that would affect the licensee's ability to practice physical therapy. A copy of the record of conviction shall be conclusive evidence. Conviction shall include a finding or verdict of guilty, a plea of guilty, an admission of guilt, or a plea of nolo contendere.

**202.23(17)** Professional incompetency. Professional incompetency includes but is not limited to:

*a.* A substantial lack of knowledge or ability to discharge professional obligations within the physical therapist assistant's practice;

*b.* A substantial deviation by the physical therapist assistant from the standards of learning or skill ordinarily possessed and applied by other physical therapist assistants in the state of Iowa acting in the same or similar circumstances;

c. A failure by a physical therapist assistant to exercise that degree of care which is ordinarily exercised by the average physical therapist assistant in the state of Iowa acting in the same or similar circumstances;

d. A willful or repeated departure from or the failure to conform to the minimal standard of acceptable and prevailing practice of physical therapy in the state of Iowa.

**202.23(18)** Inability to practice physical therapy with reasonable skill and safety by reason of a mental or physical impairment or chemical abuse.

**202.23(19)** Violating a lawful order of the board, previously entered by the board in a disciplinary or licensure hearing, or violating the terms and provisions of a consent agreement or informal settlement between a licensee and the board.

**202.23(20)** Failure to respond, when requested, to communications of the board within 30 days of the mailing of such communication by registered or certified mail.

**202.23(21)** Obtaining third-party payment through fraudulent means. Third-party payers include, but are not limited to, insurance companies and government reimbursement programs. Obtaining payment through fraudulent means includes, but is not limited to:

- a. Reporting incorrect treatment dates for the purpose of obtaining payment;
- b. Reporting charges for services not rendered;
- c. Incorrectly reporting services rendered for the purpose of obtaining payment which is greater than that to which the licensee is entitled; or
- d. Aiding a patient in fraudulently obtaining payment from a third-party payer.

**202.23(22)** Practicing without a current license or practicing when a license is lapsed.

**645—202.24(272C) Supervision requirements.** The board adopts herein by reference rule 645—200.24(272C).

**645—202.25(272C) Peer review committees.** The board adopts herein by reference rule 645—200.25(272C).

**645—202.26(272C) Conduct of persons attending meetings.** The board adopts herein by reference rule 645—200.26(21).

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