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Hearing Location(s) (for additional locations, copy and paste table)

Address 1:	Poplar Conference Room		
Address 2:	227 French Landing, Heritage Place, Nashville, Tennessee 37243		
City:	Nashville, Tennessee		
Zip:	37243		
Hearing Date :	03/08/2012		
Hearing Time:	9:00 a.m.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CST	<input type="checkbox"/> EST

Additional Hearing Information:

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Revision Type (check all that apply):

- Amendment
 New
 Repeal

Rule(s) (ALL chapters and rules contained in filing must be listed. If needed, copy and paste additional tables to accommodate more than one chapter. Please enter only ONE Rule Number/Rule Title per row.)

Chapter Number	Chapter Title
1150-02	Rules Governing The Practice Of Occupational Therapy
Rule Number	Rule Title
1150-02-.04	Qualifications For Licensure
1150-02-.05	Procedures For Licensure

1150-02-10	Supervision
1150-02-12	Continued Competence

Rule 1150-02-.04 Qualifications for Licensure is amended by adding a new paragraph (3) and renumbering the remaining paragraphs accordingly so that as amended the new paragraph shall read:

- (3) If the date of application for licensure as an occupational therapist or occupational therapist assistant is more than three (3) years following successful completion of the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy Examination, the applicant may be subject to additional requirements for licensure to be determined by the Board including, but not limited to the following:
 - (a) Engage in a formalized process of self-assessment through the use of the AOTA professional development tool;
 - (b) Submit documentation that applicant has attended and successfully completed a minimum of ten (10) hours of formal learning related to the occupational therapy service delivery for each year between the original qualification for licensure and actual application for licensure, at least twenty (20) of which must have occurred within the twenty-four (24) months prior to application and shall relate to the area of practice in which the applicant intends to practice; or
 - (c) Must have a minimum of two (2) hours of continuing education in the area of ethics; one (1) hour of continuing education in Tennessee jurisprudence and a minimum of two (2) hours of continuing education in the area of documentation ;
 - (d) Upon licensure approval by the Board as either an occupational therapist or occupational therapist assistant, licensee is required to be supervised during their first twelve (12) months of practice by a licensed occupational therapist in good standing. If the relationship between supervisor and licensee should cease before the expiration of the twelve (12) months, licensee must notify the board and obtain a new supervisor for the remaining time period within thirty (30) days.

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-13-216.

Rule 1150-02-.04 Qualifications for Licensure is amended by deleting part (3) (a) 2 in its entirety and substituting instead the following language so that as amended the new part (3) (a) 2 shall read:

2. Submit documentation of current certification from the Hand Therapy Certification Commission; or

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-13-216.

Rule 1150-02-.04 Qualifications for Licensure is amended by adding a new part (3) (a) 4 so that as amended the new part (3) (a) 4 shall read:

4. If applicant is seeking certification in the use of physical agent modalities, as provided in paragraph (4) of this rule, the applicant shall present to the Board's administrative office proof of successful completion of clinical training that has been completed within the two (2) years preceding the submission of the application for certification.

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-13-216.

Rule 1150-02-.04 Qualifications for Licensure is amended by deleting part (3) (b) 2 in its entirety and substituting instead the following language so that as amended the new part (3) (b) 2 shall read:

2. Submit documentation of current certification from the Hand Therapy Certification Commission; or

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-13-216.
SS-7037 (October 2009)

Rule 1150-02-.04 Qualifications for Licensure is amended by adding a new part (3) (b) 4 so that as amended the new part (3) (b) 4 shall read:

4. If an applicant is seeking certification in the use of physical agent modalities, as provided in paragraph (4) of this rule, the applicant shall present to the Board's administrative office proof of successful completion of clinical training that has been completed within two (2) years preceding the submission of the application for certification.

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-13-216.

Rule 1150-02-.05 Procedures for Licensure is amended by deleting subparagraph (1) (i) in its entirety and substituting instead the following language so that as amended the new subparagraph (1) (i) shall read:

- (i) Physical agent modality certification. If an applicant is seeking certification in the use of physical agent modalities, as provided in paragraph (4) of Rule 1150-02-.04, the applicant shall present to the Board's administrative office proof of successful completion of clinical work that has been completed within the two (2) years prior to submission of the application for certification.

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-13-216.

Rule 1150-02-.05 Procedures for Licensure is amended by deleting subparagraph (2) (i) in its entirety and substituting instead the following language so that as amended the new subparagraph (2) (i) shall read:

- (i) Physical agent modality certification. If an applicant is seeking certification in the use of physical agent modalities, as provided in paragraph (4) of Rule 1150-02-.04, the applicant shall present to the Board's administrative office proof of successful completion of clinical work that has been completed within the two (2) years prior to submission of the application for certification.

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-13-216.

Rule 1150-02-.10 Supervision is amended by adding a new paragraph (4) and renumbering the remaining paragraphs accordingly so that as amended the new paragraph (4) shall read:

- (4) Supervision of occupational therapy students.
 - (a) Supervision of occupational therapy services provided by occupational therapy doctoral-degree level students is as follows:
 1. Either a licensed occupational therapist or a licensed occupational therapy assistant may provide the clinical supervision of occupational therapy doctoral-degree level students in Level I fieldwork placements, pursuant to the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE).
 2. A licensed occupational therapist is required for the clinical supervision of occupational therapy doctoral-degree level students in Level II fieldwork placements, pursuant to the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE).
 - (b) Supervision of occupational therapy services provided by occupational therapy masters-degree level students is as follows:
 1. Either a licensed occupational therapist or a licensed occupational therapy assistant may provide the clinical supervision of occupational therapy masters-

degree level students in Level I fieldwork placements, pursuant to the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE).

2. Either a licensed occupational therapist or a licensed occupational therapy assistant may provide the clinical supervision of occupational therapy masters-degree level students in Level II fieldwork placements, pursuant to the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE).

(c) Supervision of occupational therapy services provided by occupational therapy assistant students is as follows:

1. Either a licensed occupational therapist or a licensed occupational therapy assistant may provide the clinical supervision of occupational therapy assistant students in Level I fieldwork placements, pursuant to the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE).
2. Either a licensed occupational therapist or a licensed occupational therapy assistant may provide the clinical supervision of occupational therapy assistant students in Level II fieldwork placements, pursuant to the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE).

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-13-206 and 63-13-216.

Rule 1150-02-.12 Continued Competence is amended by deleting subparagraph (11) (s) in its entirety and substituting instead the following language so that as amended the new subparagraph (11) (s) shall read:

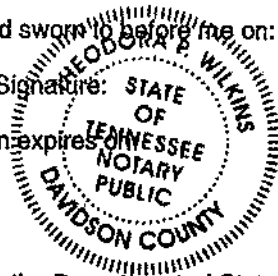
<p>1. Level I fieldwork direct supervision OT or OTA (Not one's primary employment role.)</p>	<p>1 Credit per Student Supervised</p>	<p>12 Credits (A licensee may not receive more than 12 Credits for fieldwork supervision total.)</p>	<p>Documentation required, name of student(s), letter of verification from school, dates of fieldwork. Co-supervision is acceptable; maintain dates & times when acting as primary student supervisor. Apply appropriate credits based on time spent supervising.</p>
<p>2. Level II fieldwork direct supervision OT or OTA (Not one's primary employment role.)</p>	<p>1 Credit per each week of supervision, per student supervised</p>	<p>12 Credits (A licensee may not receive more than 12 Credits for fieldwork supervision total.)</p>	<p>Documentation required, name of student(s), letter of verification from school, dated of fieldwork. Co-supervision is acceptable; maintain dates & times when acting as primary student supervisor. Apply appropriate credits based on time spent supervising.</p>

Authority: T.C.A. § 63-13-216

I certify that the information included in this filing is an accurate and complete representation of the intent and scope of rulemaking proposed by the agency.

Date: 12-20-11
Signature: Jennifer L. Putnam
Name of Officer: Jennifer Putnam
Title of Officer: Assistant General Counsel
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on: 12/20/11
Notary Public Signature: Theodora P. Wilkins
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