

Wyoming OT Board Revision Meeting with WYOTA

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Chapter 1

Section 3 - Definitions

- AOTA identified that they are happy to see change in abbreviations from AOTCB to AOTA in verbiage reconfigured in the definitions throughout this document
- Suggesting omitting “permitted” under (k) to decrease loophole or misunderstanding of the Licensee definition
- Omitted WYOTA from definition, but WYOTA is referenced in the document in other chapters. Wanting explanation.

Section 4 – Board Meetings

- Meetings were open to the public, this has been omitted. Is the public still able to participate in these meetings they will be conducting?
- Asking if we can input a clause into this about going to the website for contact info.
- Omitted reasons for meetings. Is this all put into the document anywhere else?

Reference to Chapter 7

Chapter 2

Section 1 – initial License

- Omitted some language but added need for NBCOT standings. AOTA was concerned with needing to provide standings with NBCOT. Is this only initial licensing or is this recurring licensing as well. Do they have to continue to register with NBCOT?

Section 2 – Examination Requirements for Licensure

- Put current examination recognized by board in case NBCOT body is changed. May need to clarify this to national examination so that this is clearer.

Section 3 – Continuing Education

- Approved by WYOTA? We are not an approved AOTA provider. So, it is just approved continuing education because WYOTA provided the course? Is there something that WYOTA will need to do to meet this standard.
- Are book studies still viable for continuing education?

Section 5 – Limited License

- Wanting maybe more clarification for what good cause for extending limited license would be.

Section 6 – Annual Renewal of License

- Why not make it a 2-year license instead of every year, and then every two years submitting hours. When do we pay our fees. It is every year or every two years? Need more clarification for renewal of licensure and continuing education.
- Make it every year or every two years to make the process easier and less of a hassle.
- Each time they do 10% do they pull those people out or do they go back into the pool of being picked next year. So then taking those people out, or clarify.
- If you are late on submitting your renewal you are automatically within the audit group. Basically, get your poop in a group.

Section 7 – Re-entry

- All new. Under limited license, there is no writing clarifying supervision requirement for a limited license with re-entry. It is under section there in chapter 3.

Chapter 3

Section 3- Supervision Under a Limited License

- Must submit supervision of the limited licensee to help them obtain full license. This answer concerns of supervision for limited license and references AOTA for guidelines on supervision.

Section 4 – Code of Ethics

- Like change for supervisory roles of OTs to OT students.

Chapter 5

Section 2 – Fees

- Do we pay this fee (\$225) every 2 years of every year? If so this fee has increased substantially if it is every year. This is initial fee so this needs to be clarified.

Chapter 6

Section 1 – Complaints

- Can a complaint that is submitted have a timeline referenced for when feedback will be given?

Section 2 – Investigations

- Timeline given here for investigation timeline would be nice as well.
- Is there not going to be anyone outside of the board anymore and just two board members or will a random member be used as well so there is objectivity in the investigation? Will there be legal representation in the investigation?

Section 5 – Rules of Procedure

- What is this “rules of procedure” for? Suggest changing this to Uniform Rules for Contested Case Practice and Procedure for clarification of section.

Chapter 7

Section 4 – Requests for Roster of Licensees

- Who can access this info? Is our information as licensee protected from being released to marketing or any other organizations? Is there a way to say that we do not want our information out there? Can we be more confidential?

Section 5 Public Records Request Procedure

- All new in the document. Looking at document to see if there is clarification for who licensee information is being shared with and who can request it.

What are the plans for telehealth and implementation into state licensing guidelines and regulations for the state of Wyoming.

When a meeting is held with 25 participants or more when and where would this be held.