



AK PT/OT Board - Scope of Practices Committee Mtg - August 1, 2025 Minutes

Alaska Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing
8/1/2025 8:00 AM AKDT
Videoconference

These are DRAFT minutes prepared by staff of the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing. They have not been reviewed or approved by the Board.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Committee Members: Tori Daugherty and Jonathan Gates

The Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board Scope of Practices Committee meeting was called to order on Friday, August 1, 2025 at 8:05 am by Tori Daugherty.

Roll call taken:

Committee members present: Tori Daugherty and Jonathan Gates.

Staff present: Reid Bowman, Project Coordinator 2; Shane Bannarbie, Project Coordinator 1; and Sheri Ryan, Licensing Examiner.

Guest: Kristen Neville, Manager State Affairs, AOTA

2. Approve Minutes - 12/20/2024 and 07/11/2025

Jonathan Gates moved to approve the July 11, 2025 Scope of Practices committee meeting minutes as written. Motion seconded by Tori Daugherty. All in favor; none opposed. Motion passes unanimously.

Jonathan Gates moved to approve the December 20, 2024 Scope of Practices committee meeting minutes as written. Motion seconded by Tori Daugherty. All in favor; none opposed. Motion passes unanimously.

3. Public Comment

No public comment given.

4. Review/Approve Agenda

Tori Daugherty moved to accept the August 1, 2025 Scope of Practices committee meeting agenda as submitted. Motion seconded by Jonathan Gates. All in favor; none opposed. Motion passes unanimously.

5. Legislative Initiatives

A. PT Modernization Statutory Project

Committee reviewed PT Scope Modernization Draft, discussed reasons for inclusion on items, and identified potential areas that may need adaptation due to exclusivity of physical therapy usage.

B. OT Modernization Statutory Project

Committee reviewed OT Scope Modernization Draft and identified potential areas that may need adaptation due to need for application to both occupational therapy and physical therapy.

C. Drafting Combined Draft Language from PT and OT Modernization Statutory Projects

Committee members discussed need to modify some of the areas in the PT and OT scope modernization drafts so they fit both programs. Committee worked on combined PT/OT draft with changes as discussed for recommendation to the board at the August 7, 2025 meeting.

D. Legislative Strategy - agenda item not discussed.

E. DPT/OTD Term Protection Statutory DRAFT Language - previously tabled

6. NEW Board Correspondence

A. OT Scope Questions

B. PT Scope Questions

C. Generic

- i. Board Position Statement - PT/OT License Required when working in School District in addition to Type C Special Service Certificate

All Board correspondence tabled to next meeting.

7. Next Steps

- 1. Staff to finalize combined version of scope modernization drafts for PT and OT and forward to committee members.

2. Tori Daugherty to write overview of combined document draft for presentation at board meeting 8/7.
3. Jonathan Gates to write final recommendation report for PT Scope Modernization for presentation at board meeting 8/7.

8. Adjourn

The Alaska Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Scope of Practices Committee meeting was adjourned at 10:0 am on Friday, August 1, 2025 when committee member Jonathan Gates left the meeting.

Next virtual meeting scheduled for November 7, 2025 at 8:00 am.

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