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Statement Regarding Applicants Applying Only with a Structural Integration Education

In the March 8-9, 2018 meeting, the Board of Massage Therapists determined that the Rolf Institute of Structural Integration does not currently meet the curriculum requirements to be recognized as an approved massage therapy program due to its limited focus on a single modality. This decision was based on review of testimony from the Rolf Institute of Structural Integration (RISI), the International Association of Structural Integration (IASI), and a review of curriculum,

Also in the March meeting, the board drafted regulations defining curriculum content in regards to approved massage therapy programs. The drafted regulations provide a pathway for graduates of this school to meet curriculum requirements in order to obtain licensure as massage therapists.

The board recognizes and appreciates the skills and training of RISI graduates and looks forward to this regulatory process as we work to serve the people of the State of Alaska.

The Alaska Board of Massage Therapists

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