
Learning Objectives

MedBridge
Hawaii Jurisprudence and Ethics for Physical Therapists (2020-2022)
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Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, learners will be able to

- Discuss the ethical dimensions of a professional practice in the context of the APTA's Code of Ethics' eight principles and five roles
- Assess the scope of professional activities that may give rise to an ethics complaint, licensing board adverse action, and/or malpractice claim or lawsuit
- Extrapolate learned ethical and legal principles to existing PT and rehabilitation practice in clinic, education, research, and all other settings
- Discuss the ethical situations that are unique to their own professions
- Identify their scope of practice in Hawaii (HRS section 461J-1), including prohibited practices (e.g., dry needling) (see, HRS section 461J-2.5)
- Define the use of support or auxiliary personnel (see HRS section 461J-2.3)
- List allowable titles (e.g., RPT, LPT, DPT, PT, and PTA) (see HRS section 461J-2)
- Describe the powers and duties of the Board of Physical Therapy (see HRS sections 461J-5 and 436B-7)
- Identify exemptions from licensure (see HRS section 461J-3)
- List their continuing competence requirements (see HRS sections 461J-10.1 to 461J-10.15)
- Describe the license process, including restoring a forfeited license (see HRS section 461J-10) and including when licenses are subject to revocation, suspension, or probation (see HRS sections 461J-12, and 436B-18 to 436B-25)
- Define the guidelines around temporary physical therapist and physical therapy assistant licenses (see HAR section 16-110-40)
- List inactive statuses (see HRS sections 461J-12.5 and 436B-13.3)
- Describe the reporting requirements of licensees (see HRS sections 436B-16 and 436B-17)
- Describe compensation for unlicensed activity (see HRS section 436B-26)
- Recognize the process of citation for unlicensed activity (see HRS section 436B-26.5 and 436B-27)
- Describe the duties of a supervising physical therapist (see HAR section 16-110-4)

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- Describe the duties of physical therapist assistants and support or auxiliary personnel (see HAR section 16-110-5)
 - Explain the proper method for identification of personnel (see HAR section 16-110-6)