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**AGENCY REPORT TO THE
JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (JCAR)**

1. Agency Information

Agency name:

Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

Division/Bureau/Office:

Bureau of Professional Licensing

Name of person completing this form:

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Elizabeth Arasim

2. Rule Set Information

MOAHR assigned rule set number:

2022-15 LR

Title of proposed rule set:

Physical Therapy - General Rules

3. Purpose for the proposed rules and background:

The Physical Therapy – General Rules pertain to education, examinations, training, licenses, and professional development requirements for physical therapists and physical therapist assistants.

Amendment of the rules will take place to supply clarity regarding definitions, telehealth, prescriptions, human trafficking training, program accreditation, examinations, licensure, endorsement, relicensure, requirements for graduates of non-accredited institutions, delegation, and professional development requirements.

4. Summary of proposed rules:

The proposed rules will: include definitions of terms used in the rule set; adopt updated educational standards; clarify licensing requirements for graduates of non-accredited programs; clarify conditions under which the board will consider a request from an applicant for an appeal of current examination policies; clarify the requirement of full licensure and educational requirements for licensees from Canada; clarify the examination pathway requirement for licensees whose licenses have expired more than three years; clarify the period in which a licensee must request a waiver of continuing education; and supply updated accreditation standards for professional development requirement (PDR) activities.

5. List names of newspapers in which the notice of public hearing was published and publication dates:

The Flint Journal, November 10, 2022.
The Grand Rapids Press, November 10, 2022.
The Mining Journal, November 23, 2022.

6. Date of publication of rules and notice of public hearing in Michigan Register:

12/1/2022

7. Date, time, and location of public hearing:

12/14/2022 09:00 AM at G. Mennen Williams Building Auditorium , 525 W. Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan

8. Provide the link the agency used to post the regulatory impact statement and cost-benefit analysis on its website:

<https://ARS.apps.lara.state.mi.us/Transaction/RFRTransaction?TransactionID=1374>

9. List of the name and title of agency representative(s) who attended the public hearing:

Weston MacIntosh, Departmental Specialist, Bureau of Professional Licensing.
Stephanie Wysack, Departmental Technician, Bureau of Professional Licensing.

10. Persons submitting comments of support:

None.

11. Persons submitting comments of opposition:

Kristie Kava, Jake Jakubiak Kovacek.

12. Persons submitting other comments:

None.

13. Identify any changes made to the proposed rules based on comments received during the public comment period:

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	Name & Organization	Comments made at public hearing	Written Comments	Agency Rationale for Rule Change and Description of Change(s) Made	Rule number & citation changed
1	Jake Jakubiak Kovacek, American Physical Therapy Association Michigan Chapter		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current draft language is incorrect: 2 (c) Whether the request relates to the physical therapy or physical therapy assistant examination level. • Correct the language so it will then read: 2 (c) Whether the request relates to the physical therapist or physical therapist assistant examination level. 	The Department agrees with correcting the language to say “physical therapist or physical therapist assistant” rather than “physical therapy or physical therapy assistant.”	R 338.7134 (2)(c)

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2	Jake Jakubiak Kovacek, American Physical Therapy Association Michigan Chapter		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current draft language is incorrect: 2 (c) Whether the request relates to the physical therapy or physical therapy assistant examination level. • Correct the language so it will then read: 2 (c) Whether the request relates to the physical therapist or physical therapist assistant examination level. 	The Department agrees with correcting the language to say “physical therapist or physical therapist assistant” rather than “physical therapy or physical therapy assistant.”	R 338.7146 (2)(c)
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14.Date report completed:

2/21/2023