

NORTH DAKOTA BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY MEETING AGENDA
DECEMBER 18, 2024 VIA ZOOM

Present: Board members Steve Ziegler, Marcus Hieb, Cassie Christensen, Justin Berry, and Terry Eckman; APTA-ND representatives Brittany Anderson and Wendy McGinley; Board counsel Jack McDonald; Executive Officer Scott Holm

Absent: Board members Nancy Kopp and Dr. Rohit Mahajan

Board President Justin Berry called to order 12:03 pm

- **Complaint Policy and Process:** Justin presented the updated complaint policy review of the changes to the policy compared to previous versions. No further discussion regarding policy and process updates. Steve made a motion to adopt the updated process, Marcus second. Passed unanimously.
- **Legislation:** Jack provided updates on two bills that will be introduced during the upcoming North Dakota Legislative Session. The bills are as follows:
 - Advanced Imaging: proposed legislation has been drafted and presented to the sponsor. Senate bill will be introduced in early days of the legislative session.
 - Informed Consent; proposed legislation has been drafted and presented to sponsor. Senate bill will be introduced in early part of session. Will need Physical Therapist to testify.
- **FSBPT Annual Meeting:** Marcus and Steve shared the main topics at this year's FSBPT annual meeting. Topics included: boundary issues, use of AI, state complaint processes, suspension of license when under investigation and dry needling competency.
- **Dry Needling Verification:** Scott provided an update on dry needling verification in other states. There are other states that request licensees to disclose if they are certified in dry needling. Variety in states which require an upload of verification vs. the licensee simply stating whether or not they are certified.
- **Next Meeting:** May 12, 2025
- Adjourn 12:23 pm