

LICENSURE CHECKLIST

for Physical Therapy

Apply online from the board website:
boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/Physical-Rehabilitative-and-Developmental-Health-Care-Professionals

For details on licensure requirements, see Administrative Rules of Montana, Title 24, Chapter 177, at rules.mt.gov and Montana Code Annotated, Title 37, Chapters 1 and 11, at mca.legmt.gov/bills/mca.

All Applicants

- ☐ **Age 18 or older**
At time of licensure.
- ☐ **Application with fee**
Apply from the board website.
- ☐ **Additional forms as needed**
Find on the board website under "Forms".
 - **Provisional License Request** *(for licensure before the exam)*
- ☐ **Fingerprint background check**
Find instructions on the board website under "Forms".
- ☐ **Verification of other licenses**
All current, previous, and expired in any profession from other jurisdictions.
- ☐ **Checklist from desired license type**
See below.

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Physical Therapist

IF U.S. EDUCATED

OPTION 1

- ☐ **Out-of-state license**
From a state with standards substantially equivalent to Montana's.
- ☐ **Practice in the last four years or remedial study**
Unless waived by board review.

OPTION 2

- ☐ **Doctoral degree**
Accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE). Submit certificate of graduation -OR- transcripts -OR- letter of expected graduation.
- ☐ **Optional requirements**
Only if getting a provisional license before exam:
 - **Supervisor**
A licensed physical therapist performing direct supervision.
 - **Additional form and fee**
Find form on the board website under "Forms".
- ☐ **Exam scores**
600 or higher on the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) administered by the Federation of State Board of Physical Therapy (FSBPT).

IF FOREIGN EDUCATED

- ☐ **Education evaluation**
By the Foreign Credentialing Commission on Physical Therapy (FCCPT).
- ☐ **Optional requirements**
Only if getting a provisional license before exam:
 - **Supervisor**
A licensed physical therapist performing direct supervision.
 - **Additional form and fee**
Find form on the board website under "Forms".
- ☐ **Exam scores**
600 or higher on the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) administered by the Federation of State Board of Physical Therapy (FSBPT).
- ☐ **English scores**
From the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), only if from a non-English-speaking culture.
- ☐ **Oral interview**
Only if considered necessary.

Physical Therapist *Assistant* (U.S. educated only)

OPTION 1

- ☐ **Out-of-state license**
From a state with standards substantially equivalent to Montana's.
- ☐ **Practice in the last four years or remedial study**
Unless waived by board review.

OPTION 2

- ☐ **Associate's degree**
Accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE). Submit certificate of graduation -OR- transcripts -OR- letter of expected graduation.
- ☐ **Optional requirements**
Only if getting a provisional license before exam:
 - **Supervisor**
A licensed physical therapist performing direct supervision.
 - **Additional form and fee**
Find form on the board website under "Forms".
- ☐ **Exam scores**
600 or higher on the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) for physical therapist assistants administered by the Federation of State Board of Physical Therapy (FSBPT).