

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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Please note the following:

1. This draft moves the physical therapy provisions to their own chapter, which would be chapter 464. The current provisions would be placed in subchapter I of chapter 464, and the compact would be placed in subchapter II. One reason for doing this is that compacts have their own definitions, and so our practice has been to put compacts into a separate subchapter (see subch. II of ch. 441 and subch. VIII of ch. 448). This would also move the physical therapists out of ch. 448, where they arguably don't belong since the Physical Therapy Examining Board, unlike other boards in ch. 448, is no longer under the Medical Examining Board, which it was prior to 2010.

2. I spoke with someone from the FSBPT to get a better understanding about how this compact actually works. She explained that a person licensed in another member state would apply to the interstate compact commission for a Wisconsin compact privilege, pay any fee required by Wisconsin to the commission through their website if required (as well as a fee to the commission), and the commission would remit the state fee, if charged, to Wisconsin. I believe that she also said that any renewal fees would be paid at the time of renewal of the home state license. The state would therefore not issue a "license" to an individual. Rather, a "compact privilege" would be issued to a PT/PT assistant through the commission. I therefore did this draft based on the compact language and my discussion with her. (Note that the compact is structured differently from both the nurse licensure compact and the medical licensure compact.) Let me know if you would like her contact information.

Please also see the notes in the draft, and let me know if you think any changes are needed. Otherwise, I also recommend sharing the draft with DSPS for a technical review for any other potential necessary changes.

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