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MASSAGE THERAPY AND BODY WORK THERAPY AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD MTBT 3.01

## Chapter MTBT 3 EDUCATION

MTBT 3.01 Approved training program.

**Note:** Chapter RL 92 was renumbered chapter SPS 92 under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 1., Stats., Register November 2011 No. 671. Chapter SPS 92 was renumbered MTBT 3 under s. 13.92 (4) (b) 1., Stats., Register August 2012 No. 680.

**MTBT 3.01 Approved training program. (1)** An applicant who has not graduated from a school of massage therapy or bodywork therapy approved by the department of safety and professional services shall submit an official transcript or other official documentation showing dates and total classroom hours attended and a description of the curriculum completed establishing that the applicant has completed an approved training program.

(2) Credit may be granted for an approved training program regardless of when the program was completed.

(4) In addition to satisfying the requirements of sub. (5), an approved training program shall be one of the following:

(a) An associate degree program, or a technical diploma program in massage therapy or bodywork therapy offered by a technical college established pursuant to s. 38.02, Stats.

(b) A course of instruction in massage therapy or bodywork therapy offered by a school that, at the time of the applicant's graduation, has approval or accreditation that is in good standing from one of the following:

1. An accrediting agency under s. MTBT 1.02(1)(a) whose recognition by the United States department of education is current.

**Note:** A list of recognized accrediting agencies is available from the United States Department of Education's website at www.ed.gov.

2. An accrediting agency under s. MTBT 1.02(1) (b) that is located in the same state or territory in which the school is located and whose criteria for approval of schools is substantially equivalent, as determined by the board, to the criteria under s. SPS 404.04.

(5) An approved training program shall consist of a minimum of 600 classroom hours of study and shall include the following subject areas:

(a) One hundred twenty-five classroom hours in anatomy, physiology, pathology, and kinesiology.

(b) Fifty classroom hours in business, law and ethics, which shall include at least 6 classroom hours in the laws of this state and rules of the board relating to the practice of massage therapy or bodywork therapy required by s. MTBT 2.01 (3) (b).

(c) Three hundred classroom hours in massage therapy or bodywork therapy theory, technique, and practice, which shall include 100 classroom hours of supervised hands-on practice.

(d) Twenty classroom hours in student clinic.

(e) Five classroom hours in adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation and standard first aid. The requirement of this paragraph may be alternatively satisfied as provided under s. MTBT 2.01 (3) (j).

(f) One hundred classroom hours in additional massage therapy or bodywork therapy course offerings meeting the objectives of the course of instruction.

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