



Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy,  
and Athletic Trainers Board

*Athletic Trainers Section*  
*September 11, 2014*  
*9:00 a.m.*

**Members Present**

Jason Dapore, DO  
Aaron Galpert, AT, Chair  
Brian Hartz, AT, PhD  
Susan Stevens, AT, EdD  
Trevor Vessels, Public Member

**Staff**

Lisa Ratinaud, Enforcement Division Supervisor  
Jeffrey Rosa, Executive Director

**Guest**

Paul Miller, OATA

**Members Absent**

Kimberly Peer, AT, EdD, Secretary

**Call to Order**

Aaron Galpert, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Action:** Brian Hartz moved that the minutes from the July 9, 2014, meeting be approved as submitted. Jason Dapore seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Special Orders**

**Election of Officers**

**Action:** Aaron Galpert nominated Brian Hartz to be Section Chair for the period beginning September 11, 2014, and ending immediately following the September 2015 Section meeting. Nominations were closed. The members present unanimously voted to elect Brian Hartz as Section Chair.

**Action:** Brian Hartz nominated Kimberly Peer to be Section Secretary for the period beginning September 11, 2014, and ending immediately following the September 2015 Section meeting. Nominations were closed. The members present unanimously voted to elect Kimberly Peer as Section Secretary.

**Appointment of Liaisons**

The liaison appointments beginning September 11, 2014 and ending September 30, 2015 are:

Enforcement Division Liaison:	Brian Hartz
Licensure Liaison:	Aaron Galpert
Continuing Education Liaison:	Brian Hartz
Correspondence Liaison:	Susan Stevens
Rules Liaison:	Aaron Galpert

**Action:** Brian Hartz moved to authorize the Executive Director to accept or reject consent agreements on the Section's behalf for the period beginning September 11, 2014, and ending on September 30, 2015. Jason Dapore seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Action:** Brian Hartz moved to authorize the use of signature stamps or electronic signatures by the Section Chairperson, Section Secretary, and the Executive Director for the period beginning September 11, 2014, and ending on September 30, 2015. Susan Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Action:** Susan Stevens moved to authorize the Executive Director to make editorial changes to motions for the period beginning September 11, 2014, and ending on September 30, 2015. Jason Dapore seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Action:** Brian Hartz moved to authorize the use of hearing officers for the period beginning September 11, 2014, and ending on September 30, 2015. Jason Dapore seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Action:** Jason Dapore moved to authorize the staff to issue licenses to applicants with completed applications and that the Section ratify the licenses issued by the staff at the Section meeting following issuance of the license for the period beginning September 11, 2014, and ending on September 30, 2015. Brian Hartz seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### **Discussion of Law and Rule Changes**

None

### **Administrative Reports**

#### **Licensure Applications**

**Action:** Brian Hartz moved that the Athletic Trainers Section ratify, as submitted, the athletic training licenses issued by examination, endorsement, and reinstatement by the Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board from July 9, 2014, through September 11, 2014, taking into account those licenses subject to discipline, surrender, or non-renewal. Susan Stevens seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### **Examination Applicants**

Ankrom, Mary  
Barnes, Tracie  
Berger, Caroline  
Cantrell, Matthew  
Corso, Hayley  
Cutajar, Taylor  
Everhart, Casey  
Gerth, Alyssa  
Hall, Hailey  
Johnson, Samantha  
Klima, Caitlin  
Lee, Erika  
Mahaffey, Brookke  
Mowry, Chelsie  
Paff, Elizabeth  
Potter, Summer  
Roe, Chelsey  
Smith, Jennifer  
Toller, Andrew  
Van Vliet, Megan  
Warfel, Mckenna  
Yurkanin, Patrick

Arent, Erik  
Bates, Monica  
Borden, Emily  
Castleman, Jason  
Creque, Catherine  
Dorney, Kyra  
Faulkner, Samantha  
Gray, Ashley  
Hayes, Morgan  
Kelley, Samantha  
Knerr, Kayla  
List, Austin  
Meyer, Sally  
Moyer, Lindsay  
Pearson, Ryan  
Pullyblank, Kevin  
Sanger, Daniel  
Stacy, Corey  
Trowbridge, Brooke  
Walker, Garrett  
Wood, Kelsi

Babcock, Patrick  
Behan, Amy  
Brancaleone, Matthew  
Choujaa, Nidal  
Cummins, Kathleen  
Eggleston, Jordan  
Fusco, Genna  
Green, Vanessa  
Jackson, Amelia  
Kennedy, Caleb  
Lebovitz, Megan  
Longo, Brenna  
Morris, Mackenzie  
Niese, Jonathan  
Perkowski, Megan  
Reiber, Matthias  
Smith, Allison  
Todoroff, Marissa  
Uzelac, Michael  
Walker, Travis  
Young, Sarah

#### **Endorsement Applicants**

Barnes, Connor  
Clark, Kelly  
Deam, Tyler  
Glover, Jessica  
Hoffmeier, Nathan  
McCann, Samar  
Passarette, Anthony  
Quincy, Richard  
Sheldon, James  
Smith, Matthew  
Thibo, Leann  
Walters, Elizabeth  
Willis, Joseph

Camley, Jacqueline  
Connolly, Rebecca  
Donovan, Luke  
Hamilton, Casey  
Hutchens, Andrew  
Messer, Peter  
Passe, Sarah  
Ruano, Jennifer  
Shonk, Kelsey  
Springer, Daniel  
Veverka, Kris  
Werner, Pauline

Cheney, Brian  
Dawson, Paul  
Gilhousen, Kayla  
Harker, Sarah  
King, Allison  
Miles, Alyse  
Pye, Michele  
Scott, Kathleen  
Shoultz, Jenifer  
Steveley, Michael  
Wallace, Alan  
Wiemels, Joshua

Reinstatement Applicants

Brown, Christopher  
Frisby, Jennifer  
Simon, Janet

Ensign, Kristine  
Gilbert, Matthew

Frisby, Glenn  
Paquet, Marc

**Continuing Education Approval**

Brian Hartz reported that seven continuing education applications were approved since the July 9, 2014 meeting.

**Event Approval**

None

**Licensure Renewal Report**

The Section reviewed the 2014 athletic trainer renewal update. As of September 11, 2014, 1,252 licensees renewed. This totals 50% of the 2,502 renewals that were mailed.

**Assistant Attorney General Report**

None

**Case Review Liaison Report**

Brian Hartz reported that the Enforcement Division opened zero new cases and closed three cases since July 9, 2014 meeting. There is one case currently open.

**Enforcement Actions**

None

**Old Business**

Review Draft of Technology Summary

The Section made revisions to the technology summary. The Section will review the edited document at the November Section meeting.

**New Business**

CMS Proposed Rules and Qualifications to Fit Custom Fitted Orthotics

The Section reviewed the proposed CMS rules and qualifications to fit custom fitted orthotics.

**Joint Correspondence**

**JB1. Heather Jennings, PT:** Ms. Jennings asked the Athletic Trainers and Physical Therapy Sections questions regarding athletic trainers treating and billing in a physical therapy setting. **Reply:** Clinic-based athletic trainers may provide athletic training services upon physician referral for athletic training evaluation and treatment. The prescription by the referring medical practitioner must state the referral is for athletic training. Under an athletic training referral, the athletic trainer functions independently and is responsible for documentation. Pursuant to rule 4755-46-01 of the Administrative Code, unlicensed individuals functioning under the supervision of a licensed athletic trainer may perform designated routine tasks related to the operation of athletic training provided that the supervising athletic trainer is on-site to supervise the delegated tasks. If the patient receives a prescription for physical therapy and during care the physical therapist determines he/she may benefit from athletic training services, i.e. a patient's condition is an athletic injury, then the physical therapist may refer that particular patient to an athletic trainer. This transfer of care from a physical therapist must be documented in the patient's medical record. In addition, the athletic trainer must now obtain physician approval and prescription for an athletic training evaluation and treatment as described above. If this procedure is followed, the athletic trainer must perform an injury assessment and determine the athletic training plan of care. The patient is no longer under the care of the physical therapist. The physical therapist may also refer the patient to the care of the athletic trainer but have the patient still remain under the care of the physical therapist. In this non-transfer scenario, a physician prescription for athletic training is not required. Rule 4755-27-01 (C) of the Ohio Administrative Code defines "other licensed personnel" as "any person holding an Ohio license to practice as a health care practitioner in a profession other than physical therapy . . . who is working under the direct supervision of a

physical therapist or physical therapist assistant, as delegated by the physical therapist, and is performing tasks and duties related to the delivery of physical therapy." When acting under the direction of a physical therapist, licensed athletic trainers are considered other licensed personnel. In accordance with rule 4755-27-04 of the Administrative Code, the supervising physical therapist or physical therapist assistant is accountable and responsible at all times for the direction of the actions of the persons supervised, including other licensed personnel. A physical therapist assistant can provide direct supervision of other licensed personnel even if the physical therapist is not on-site but is available by telecommunication at all times and able to respond appropriately to the needs of the patient. However, only a physical therapist can determine that a patient may be delegated to other licensed personnel. Other licensed personnel cannot be assigned their own physical therapy caseload without the supervising physical therapist or physical therapist assistant having direct contact with each patient during each visit. It is the responsibility of the physical therapist to determine and document the extent of contact necessary to assure safe patient care. Pursuant to rule 4755-27-03 (F) of the Ohio Administrative Code, "Delegation of tasks related to the operation and delivery of physical therapy to other licensed personnel must be done in accordance with the scope of practice of the other licensed personnel's professional license, education and training, the level of competence as determined by the supervising physical therapist, and in consideration of the patient's overall needs and medical status." The patient contact by the delegating physical therapist or supervising physical therapist assistant may be to provide portions of treatment or to assess the patient's progress within the existing plan of care. When needed, only the physical therapist may make adjustments to the plan of care. Please refer to Medicare rules or other payer policies about reimbursement for treatment by other licensed personnel since some insurers do not cover services other than those provided by a physical therapist or physical therapist assistant. You may also get information from the Reimbursement Department or Ohio chapter of the APTA. It is the position of the Physical Therapy Section that when a patient presents with a prescription or referral for both physical therapy and athletic training, each professional shall complete their own evaluation. In addition, each professional should make every reasonable attempt to consult with the other and thereby coordinate the treatment program for the benefit of the patient. On another topic, the Physical Therapy Section is working to educate physical therapists and physical therapist assistants in the correct credentials to use in professional signatures. Since PT or PTA is the regulatory designation allowing practice, rule 4755-27-07 of the Administrative Code requires that only those letters should immediately follow the person's name. Academic degrees may then follow the regulatory credential. For example, a nametag or signature might read Pat Doe, PT, MS, OCS.

#### **Ohio Athletic Trainers Association (OATA)**

Paul Miller informed the Section that OATA is looking at the scope of practice of athletic training. Mr. Miller also reported that NATA is looking at the model supervision language for athletic trainers.

#### **Open Forum**

The Section discussed reaching out to the Ohio Pharmacy Board regarding allowing college level athletic trainers to carry epi-pens that are not specifically prescribed for an individual athlete.

#### **Items for the Next Meeting**

- Review Draft of Technology Summary

#### **Next Meeting Date**

The next regular meeting date of the Athletic Trainers Section is scheduled for Wednesday, November 5, 2014.

**Adjournment**

**Action:** Brian Hartz moved that the meeting be adjourned. Jason Dapore seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:25 am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Diane Moore

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ABSENT

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Aaron Galpert, AT, Chair  
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Jeffrey M. Rosa, Executive Director  
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