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**CLINICAL INTERNSHIPS; LICENSURE WITHOUT EXAMINATION (GRANDFATHERING); TEMPORARY
LICENSURE; LICENSING OF ORTHOTIST ASSISTANTS, PROSTHETIST ASSISTANTS AND
PROSTHETIST-ORTHOTIST ASSISTANTS**

Adopted Amendments: N.J.A.C. 13:44H-1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.6, 6.2, 7.1, 7.2, 8.4, 8.6, 8.8 and 9.1

Adopted New Rules: N.J.A.C. 13:44H-2.4, 3.5 and 3.7

Adopted Repeals: N.J.A.C. 13:44H-4

Adopted Repeal and New Rule: N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.6

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Federal Standards Statement

A Federal standards analysis is not required because the adopted amendments are governed by N.J.S.A. 45:1-3.2 and 45:11-50 and are not subject to any Federal requirements or standards.

Full text of the adopted amendments and new rules follows:

<< **NJ ADC 13:44H-1.1** >>

13:44H-1.1 Purpose and scope

(a) The rules in this chapter implement the provisions of the Orthotist and Prosthetist Licensing Act (the Act), N.J.S.A. 45:12b-1 et seq. as amended by P.L. 1999, c.115, regulate the practice of orthotics and prosthetics, and offer licensure to certified pedorthists within this State.

(b) (No change.)

(c) This chapter shall not apply to:

1. Any person who is licensed to practice medicine and surgery, dentistry or podiatry in this State;

2. A student, fellow or trainee in orthotics or prosthetics who is pursuing a course of study at a college or university accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education, or working in a training center or research facility which has a written affiliation agreement with a college or university accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education, to the extent that the activities and services performed are a part of the course of study under the supervision of a licensee pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.6;
3. A student who, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.5, is training to be a licensed prosthetist assistant, a licensed orthotist assistant or a licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistant to the extent that the activities and services are a part of the course of study under the supervision of a licensee pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.6;
4. A licensed occupational therapist or licensed physical therapist when designing, modifying, fabricating or applying upper extremity adaptive equipment, finger splints and hand splints;
5. A licensed physical therapist in providing corsets and soft cervical collars;
6. A licensed physical therapist in providing lower extremity orthotics made of fabric, canvas, neoprene or elastic with or without metal or plastic insertable or removable hinges or stays;
7. A licensed physical therapist in providing any lower extremity, low temperature splint or ankle foot orthotic when such bracing is for the evaluation or treatment of an adult patient for less than three months or for a pediatric patient for less than one year without the necessity to consult with a licensed orthotist and when the braces do not become the patient's property;
8. A licensed physical therapist in providing any off-the-shelf ankle foot orthosis made of fabric, canvas, neoprene or elastic and any low temperature posterior leaf ankle foot orthosis;
9. A licensed physical therapist in providing any high temperature posterior leaf ankle foot orthosis when the licensed physical therapist is conducting research at a college or university accredited by a regional or national accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education;
10. A licensed physical therapist in managing lower extremity prosthetic volumetric changes, provided that the physical therapist consults with the dispensing prosthetist prior to implementing any non-reversible changes; and
11. A certified pedorthist whose activities are limited to the practice of orthotics and prosthetics for the ankle and below.<< NJ ADC 13:44H-1.2 >>

13:44H-1.2 Definitions

The following words and terms, as used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Orthotist" means any person who practices orthotics and who is representing himself or herself to the public by title or by description of services, incorporating such terms as "orthotics," "orthotists," "orthotic" or "L.O." or any similar title or description of services, provided that the individual has met the eligibility requirements contained in N.J.S.A. 45:12b-11 and N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.1, and has been licensed pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:12b-1 et seq. and this chapter.

"Orthotist assistant" means a person licensed pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 1991, c.512 and N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.5, and who assists, and practices under the supervision of, a licensed orthotist.

"Pedorthist" means a person who is certified by the American board for Certification in Pedorthics, or its successor, in the design, manufacture, fit and modification of shoes and related foot appliances from the ankle and below as prescribed by a licensed doctor of medicine or podiatry for the amelioration of painful or disabling conditions of the foot.

"Prosthetist" means a person who practices prosthetics and who represents himself or herself to the public by title or by description of services, under a title incorporating such terms as "prosthetics," "prosthetist," "prosthetic" or "L.P." or any similar title or description of services, provided that the individual has met the eligibility requirements contained in N.J.S.A. 45:12b-11 and N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.1, and has been licensed pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:12b-1 et seq. and this chapter.

"Prosthetist assistant" means a person who is licensed pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 1991, c.512 and N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.5, and who assists, and practices under the supervision of, a licensed prosthetist.

"Prosthetist-orthotist" means any person who practices both disciplines of prosthetics and orthotics and who represents himself or herself to the public by title or by description of services, under any title incorporating such terms as "prosthetics-orthotics," "prosthetist-orthotist," "prosthetic- orthotic" or "L.P.O." or any similar title or description of services, provided that the individual has met the eligibility requirements contained in N.J.S.A. 45:12b-11 and N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.1, and has been duly licensed in both disciplines of prosthetics and orthotics pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:12b-1 et seq. and this chapter.

"Prosthetist-orthotist assistant" means a person who is licensed pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 1991, c.512 and N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.5, and who assists, and practices under the supervision of, a licensed prosthetist- orthotist.

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-2.1 >>

13:44H-2.1 Scope of orthotist practice; orthotist assistant

(a) The scope of practice of a licensed orthotist shall include patient evaluation for, and the measuring, designing, constructing, assembling, fitting, adjusting and servicing of, orthotic appliances or orthoses, which are prescribed by a licensed physician, podiatrist or dentist for the correction or alleviation of musculoskeletal diseases, injuries or deformities.

(b) A licensed orthotist may employ a licensed orthotist assistant for the molding, painting, cutting, mixing, grinding, polishing, sewing, laminating, gluing, screwing, riveting, fastening or vacuum forming of an orthotic appliance or orthosis, which tasks must be performed under the supervision of a licensed orthotist pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.6.

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-2.2 >>

13:44H-2.2 Scope of prosthetist practice; prosthetist assistant

(a) The scope of practice of a licensed prosthetist shall include patient evaluation for, and the measuring, designing, constructing, assembling, fitting, adjusting and servicing of, any type of upper and lower extremity prosthetic appliance prescribed by a physician licensed to practice medicine or surgery or a licensed doctor of podiatric medicine.

(b) A licensed prosthetist may employ a prosthetist assistant for the molding, painting, cutting, mixing, grinding, polishing, sewing, laminating, gluing, screwing, riveting, fastening or vacuum forming of any type of upper and lower extremity prosthetic appliance which tasks shall be performed under the supervision of a prosthetist pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.6.

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-2.3 >>

13:44H-2.3 Limited practice by certified pedorthists

The scope of practice of a certified pedorthist granted a license pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.2 shall be limited to the design, manufacture, fit and modification of shoes and related foot appliances which extend from the ankle and below and which are prescribed by a physician licensed to practice medicine or surgery or a licensed doctor of podiatric medicine for the amelioration of painful or disabling conditions of the foot. "Foot appliances" for the purposes of this section include prosthetic fillers and orthotic appliances for use from the ankle and below.

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-2.4 >>

13:44H-2.4 Prohibited practice; practice as an orthotist assistant, prosthetist assistant or a prosthetist-orthotist assistant

(a) No person may practice, attempt to practice, or hold oneself out as being able to practice orthotics, prosthetics or prosthetics-orthotics or hold oneself out as being able to act, or act, as an orthotist assistant, prosthetist assistant or a prosthetist-orthotist assistant without having obtained a license pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:12b-1 et seq. and this chapter.

(b) No licensed orthotist, prosthetist or prosthetist-orthotist may employ a person to practice as an orthotist, prosthetist, prosthetist-orthotist, orthotist assistant, prosthetist assistant or a prosthetist-orthotist assistant unless that person has obtained a license pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:12b-1 et seq. and this chapter.

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-3.1 >>

13:44H-3.1 Requirements for orthotists, prosthetists and prosthetists- orthotists

(a) A person who wishes to be licensed as an orthotist, prosthetist or prosthetist-orthotist shall successfully complete the examination given by the American board for Certification in Orthotics and Prosthetics or its successor.

(b) An applicant for licensure as an orthotist, prosthetist or prosthetist- orthotist shall submit to the board the following:

1. A completed application which shall include:

i. Notarized documentation indicating that the applicant received a bachelor's degree or its equivalent from a college or university accredited by a regional or national accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education which shall be forwarded to the board by the college or university; and

ii. Notarized documentation which indicates that the applicant has completed a clinical internship in the professional area for which a license is sought of at least 1,900 hours under the supervision of a licensee pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.6;

2. The application fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:44H-10.1; and

3. Proof that the applicant has successfully completed the licensing examination required by (a) above.

(c) An applicant for licensure as an orthotist, prosthetist or prosthetist- orthotist, who applies <<-within five years (of the effective date of this amendment)->> <<+by June 17, 2007,+>> may qualify for licensure by submitting the following to the board:

1. Notarized documentation of an associates degree, with satisfactory completion of course work in biology, anatomy and physiology, physics, and chemistry, from a college or university accredited by a regional or national accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education;

2. Notarized documentation that the applicants has completed a clinical internship, in the professional area for which licensure is sought, of at least 1,900 hours under the supervision of a licensee pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.6;

3. The application fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:44H-10.1; and

4. Proof that the applicant has successfully completed the licensing examination required in (a) above.

(d) A person who applies for licensure as an orthotist, a prosthetist or a prosthetist-orthotist <<-within one year of (the effective date of this amendment)->> <<+by June 17, 2003+>> and who has completed 1,900 hours of clinical practice under the supervision of a person who is not a licensed orthotist, a licensed prosthetist or a licensed prosthetist-orthotist within the three years preceding <<-(the effective date of this amendment)->> <<+June 17,

2002+>> shall qualify for licensure as an orthotist, a prosthetist or a prosthetist-orthotist if he or she can show that the supervisor would qualify for licensure pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.3.

(e) Foreign-trained applicants shall obtain an evaluation of their professional educational and professional experience credentials from a credentialing agency recognized by the American board for Certification in Orthotics and Prosthetics, its successor or the International Society of Prosthetists and Orthotists. The board shall accept only an evaluation which is sent to the board by the credentialing agency. Upon receipt of the evaluation by the board, the board shall review the evaluation and determine whether the applicant's education and experience credentials are substantially equivalent to those required in (a)1 above.

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-3.2 >>

13:44H-3.2 Requirements for licensure of certified pedorthist

(a) A certified pedorthist who seeks licensure shall submit to the board the following:

1. A completed and notarized application form;
2. The application fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:44H-10.1; and
3. Proof of certification by the American board for Certification of Pedorthists or its successor sent to the board by the American board for Certification of Pedorthists.

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-3.3 >>

13:44H-3.3 Licensure without examination (grandfathering); orthotists and prosthetists; credential requirements

(a) <<-Within 180 days from (the effective date of this amendment)->> <<+by December 14, 2002+>>, a person who has practiced for at least 1,750 hours a year as an orthotist, prosthetist or prosthetist-orthotist in an established orthotic, prosthetic or prosthetic-orthotic facility for at least three years prior to <<-(the effective date of this amendment)->> <<+June 17, 2002+>> may apply for licensure without satisfying the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.1.

(b) An applicant who seeks licensure without examination under this section shall submit to the board:

1. A completed application which shall include:
 - i. A certified statement from applicant documenting their work history;
 - ii. Notarized documentation from the employer of applicant's employment history, including Employers Statement Form, supplied by the board, and a recommendation which must be sent to the board by the employer; and
 - iii. A minimum of four Physician Reference Forms, supplied by the board, completed by physicians who have medical rehabilitation and/or orthopedic experience, and who are familiar with the applicant's work, which must be sent directly to the board by the physician; and
 - iv. A passport size photograph; and
2. The application fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:44-10.1.

(c) The board shall conduct an investigation of the applicant's work history within six months of the date of receipt of the completed application in order to determine whether the application contains sufficient evidence that the applicant qualifies for licensure without examination as an orthotist, prosthetist or prosthetist-orthotists.

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-3.4 >>

13:44H-3.4 Requirements for temporary license for licensees of other jurisdictions

(a) The board shall issue a temporary license to an individual licensed in another state which has licensing standards equivalent to those in this State if the individual:

1. Has applied for licensure as an orthotist, prosthetist or prosthetist- orthotist, in the State of New Jersey; and
2. Is a licensee in good standing in any state in which he or she is licensed.

(b) The temporary license shall authorize its holder to practice in the field in which the holder was licensed in the other state. For example, an individual licensed in another state as an orthotist may only practice as an orthotist in this State pursuant to a temporary license.

(c) The holder of a temporary license shall be supervised by a licensee pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.6(e).

(d) A temporary license shall be issued for a one year period. The holder of a temporary license shall take the first available licensing examination administered after receipt of the temporary license. An applicant who does not take the next administered examination for reasons of hardship such as illness, disability or other good cause may take the examination offered after the next administered examination. At the end of the one year period, the board may renew the temporary license if the holder has taken the first scheduled examination, shows good cause for the renewal and if the renewal of the temporary license would serve the well-being and interests of the clients of the establishment in which the holder practices. The holder of a renewed temporary license shall be supervised pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.6(d).

(e) An application for renewal of the temporary license shall be sent to the board at least 90 days before the temporary license expires. The holder of a renewed temporary license shall take the next available examination after the temporary license is renewed. The renewed temporary license shall expire immediately after the results of the second licensing examination are issued.

(f) A person whose temporary license has expired shall cease working as an orthotist, prosthetist or prosthetist-orthotist, but may continue to take the licensing examination. If the person passes the licensing examination he or she shall, within 60 days, apply for licensure pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.1.

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-3.5 >>

13:44H-3.5 Licensure as a prosthetist assistant, orthotist assistant or prosthetist-orthotist assistant

(a) An applicant for licensure as a prosthetist assistant, orthotist assistant or prosthetist-orthotist assistant shall submit to the board:

1. A completed application form which shall include:

i. Proof that the applicant is at least 18 years of age;

ii. Proof of high school diploma or its equivalent;

iii. A certification from the applicant's supervising licensee stating that the applicant has completed a course of training in orthotics or prosthetics of at least 40 hours for licensure as an orthotist assistant or a prosthetist assistant, or a course of training of at least 80 hours for licensure as a prosthetist-orthotist assistant;

iv. A certification from the applicant's supervising licensee stating that the applicant has completed 1,900 hours of clinical practice in the area of licensure sought under the supervision of a licensed orthotist or prosthetist;

2. Proof that the applicant has passed the written, oral and practical examination; and

3. An application fee as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:44H-10.1.

(b) A person who applies for licensure as an orthotist assistant, a prosthetist assistant or a prosthetist-orthotist assistant <<-within one year of (the effective date of this section)->> <<+by June 17, 2003+>> and who has completed 1,900 hours of clinical practice under the supervision of a person who is not a licensed orthotist, a licensed prosthetist or a licensed prosthetist-orthotist in this State within the three years preceding <<-(the effective date of this section)->> <<+June 17, 2002+>> shall qualify for licensure as an orthotist assistant, a prosthetist assistant or a prosthetist-orthotist assistant if he or she is able to demonstrate that the supervisor would qualify for licensure pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.3.

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-3.6 >>

13:44H-3.6 Supervision of an orthotist assistant, prosthetist assistant, prosthetist-orthotist assistant, student or holder of a temporary license

(a) From <<-(the effective date of this section) until (one year from the effective date of this section)->> <<+June 17, 2002 until June 17, 2003+>>, a licensed orthotist assistant, licensed prosthetist assistant, licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistant, student or holder of a temporary license shall be supervised, pursuant to (b) through (k) below, by either a licensed orthotist, licensed prosthetist, licensed prosthetist-orthotist or by a person who has a pending application for licensure as an orthotist, prosthetist or prosthetist-orthotist, which demonstrates that the supervisor would qualify for licensure. After that time period, the licensed orthotist assistant, licensed prosthetist assistant, licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistant, student or holder of a temporary license shall only be supervised by a licensed orthotist, licensed prosthetist or licensed prosthetist-orthotist pursuant to (b) through (k) below.

(b) A licensed orthotist assistant, orthotist student or holder of a temporary orthotist license shall be supervised by a licensed orthotist. A licensed prosthetist assistant, prosthetist student or holder of a temporary prosthetist license shall be supervised by a licensed prosthetist. A licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistant, prosthetist-orthotist student or holder of a temporary prosthetist-orthotist license shall be supervised by a licensed prosthetist-orthotist.

(c) A licensed orthotist assistant, licensed prosthetist assistant, licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistant, student or holder of a temporary license shall not render nor continue to perform laboratory or clinical work unless he or she has obtained close or routine supervision from his or her supervising licensee. For purposes of this section, a "supervising licensee" is a licensed orthotist, licensed prosthetist or licensed prosthetist-orthotist who provides close or routine supervision in the same facility as, and who provides direction to a licensed orthotist assistant, licensed prosthetist assistant, licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistant, student or holder of a temporary license.

(d) A supervising licensee shall be responsible for the close supervision of a licensed orthotist assistant, licensed prosthetist assistant, licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistant, or student. For purposes of this section, "close supervision" means daily, face-to-face contact and observation of the performance of the laboratory and clinical work of the licensed orthotist assistant, licensed prosthetist assistant, licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistant or student at the location where his or her services are being performed.

(e) A supervising licensee shall be responsible for the routine supervision of the holder of a temporary license. For purposes of this section, "routine supervision" means face-to-face contact with and observation of the performance of the laboratory and clinical work of the holder of a temporary license at least once a week at the location where his or her services are being performed.

(f) The supervising licensee shall be personally responsible for the laboratory and clinical work of the licensed orthotist assistant, licensed prosthetist assistant, licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistant, student or holder of a temporary license.

(g) A supervising licensee shall not supervise more than three licensed orthotist assistants, licensed prosthetist assistants, licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistants, students or holders of a temporary license, or any combination thereof, at a time.

(h) The supervising licensee shall be physically present at both the initial evaluation of the patient and the final

provision of the orthotic or prosthetic device by a licensed orthotist assistant, licensed prosthetist assistant, licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistant, student or holder of a temporary license to determine the appropriateness of the device delivered.

(i) The supervising licensee shall provide direction to the licensed orthotist assistant, licensed prosthetist assistant, licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistant, student or holder of a temporary license.

(j) A licensed orthotist assistant, licensed prosthetist assistant, licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistant, student or holder of a temporary license, shall maintain a daily record which shall contain the name and license number of the supervising licensee, the date when any services were performed and the clinical or laboratory services performed. The supervising licensee shall initial this record daily.

(k) The supervising licensee shall designate another licensee who shall perform the appropriate level of supervision, as detailed above, of licensed orthotist assistants, licensed prosthetist assistants, licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistants, students or holders of a temporary license in his or her absence.

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-3.7 >>

13:44H-3.7 Licensing and biennial renewal

(a) Once the board has determined that an applicant should be issued a license, it shall send notification to the applicant that he or she should send the board the licensing fee pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-10.1(a)3, for orthotists, prosthetists and prosthetist-orthotists, or N.J.A.C. 13:44H-10.1(a)4, for orthotist assistants, prosthetist assistants or prosthetist-orthotist assistants. The board shall send a license to the applicant upon receipt of this fee.

(b) Licenses shall be valid for two years. Prior to the expiration of a license, the board shall send out notification to licensees that the license will expire unless renewed. The board shall renew the license upon receipt of a completed renewal form and the renewal fee pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-10.1(a)5, for orthotists, prosthetists and prosthetist-orthotists, or N.J.A.C. 13:44H-10.2(a)6, for orthotist assistants, prosthetist assistants or prosthetist-orthotist assistants.

SUBCHAPTER 4. (RESERVED)

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-6.2 >>

13:44H-6.2 Unlicensed practice of prosthetics, orthotics and prosthetics-orthotics

(a) The following acts or practices shall be deemed to be the unlicensed practice of prosthetics, orthotics and prosthetics-orthotics:

1. Offering or rendering orthotics or prosthetics services by any person other than a licensed orthotist, licensed prosthetist, licensed prosthetist-orthotist, certified pedorthist, pedorthist licensed to the practice of orthotics and prosthetics on the ankle and below, licensed orthotist assistant, a licensed prosthetist, a licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistant or by a licensed professional acting within his or her scope of practice and exempt pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-1.1(c).

2. (No change.)

(b) (No change.)

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-7.1 >>

13:44H-7.1 Display of notice of licensure; notification of availability of fee information

(a) All licensed orthotists, prosthetists, prosthetist-orthotist, licensed orthotist assistants, licensed prosthetist assistants, licensed prosthetist-orthotist assistants and pedorthists licensed to practice orthotics and prosthetics to the ankle and below shall ensure that the following notices are prominently displayed in a waiting room or other area where they will

be visible to patients to provide actual notice to the patient:

1. "ORTHOTISTS, PROSTHETISTS, PROSTHETIST-ORTHOTISTS, ORTHOTIST ASSISTANTS, PROSTHETIST ASSISTANTS AND PROSTHETIST-ORTHOTIST ASSISTANTS ARE LICENSED BY THE ORTHOTICS AND PROSTHETICS BOARD OF EXAMINERS, AN AGENCY OF THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS. CERTIFIED PEDORTHISTS MAY OBTAIN VOLUNTARY LICENSURE TO PRACTICE ORTHOTICS AND PROSTHETICS TO THE ANKLE AND BELOW. ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC MAY NOTIFY THE BOARD OF ANY COMPLAINT RELATIVE TO THE PRACTICE CONDUCTED BY AN ORTHOTIST, PROSTHETIST, PROSTHETIST-ORTHOTIST, ORTHOTIST ASSISTANT, PROSTHETIST ASSISTANT, PROSTHETIST-ORTHOTIST ASSISTANT OR A CERTIFIED PEDORTHIST LICENSED BY THE ORTHOTICS AND PROSTHETICS BOARD OF EXAMINERS. THE BOARD'S ADDRESS IS:

NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

ORTHOTICS AND PROSTHETICS BOARD

OF EXAMINERS

PO BOX 45034

124 HALSEY STREET

NEWARK, NEW JERSEY 07101"

2. "INFORMATION ON PROFESSIONAL FEES IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST FROM THIS OFFICE."

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-7.2 >>

13:44H-7.2 Excessive fees

(a) A licensee shall not charge an excessive fee for services. Factors which the board may consider in determining whether a fee is excessive include the following:

1.-5. (No change.)

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-8.4 >>

13:44H-8.4 Use of professional credentials and certification

(a) (No change.)

(b) An advertisement which includes information on professional credentials shall contain the highest academic degrees or certifications attained related to the regulated practice of orthotics, prosthetics, or prosthetic-orthotics and shall refer only to degrees obtained from academic institutions accredited by a national or regional accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education.

(c) (No change.)

(d) In addition to the information required to appear pursuant to (b) and (c) above, letters or abbreviations which may appear immediately adjacent to the name of an orthotist, prosthetist, prosthetist-orthotist, orthotist assistant, prosthetist assistant, prosthetist-orthotist assistant or pedorthist shall be limited to those representing the following:

1.-2. (No change.)

(e) (No change.)

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-8.6 >>

13:44H-8.6 Prohibited types or methods of advertising

(a) (No change.)

(b) A licensee shall not offer a professional service which the orthotist, prosthetist, prosthetist-orthotist, orthotist assistant, prosthetist assistant, prosthetist-orthotist assistant or pedorthist knows, or should know, is beyond his or her ability to perform.

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-8.8 >>

13:44H-8.8 Retention of advertisements

(a) A licensee shall retain, for a period of three years from the date of initial publication or dissemination, a copy of every advertisement appearing in print media as well as a video or audio tape of every advertisement communicated by telephonic or electronic media. The orthotist, prosthetist, prosthetist-orthotist, orthotist assistant, prosthetist assistant, prosthetist-orthotist assistant or pedorthist shall indicate on all advertisements in his or her possession the date, name and place of publication.

(b) (No change.)

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-9.1 >>

13:44H-9.1 Preparation and maintenance of client records

(a) A licensee shall prepare and maintain for each client a contemporaneous, permanent client record which accurately reflects the client contact with the orthotist, prosthetist, prosthetist-orthotist, orthotist assistant, prosthetist assistant, prosthetist-orthotist assistant or pedorthist, whether in an office, hospital or other evaluation or consultation setting.

(b)-(e) (No change.)

<< NJ ADC 13:44H-10.1 >>

13:44H-10.1 Fee schedule

(a) The following fees shall be charged by the Orthotics and Prosthetics board of Examiners:

1.-2. (No change.)

3. Initial license fee for orthotist, prosthetist and prosthetist-orthotist:

.....
\$350.00

i. If paid during the first year of the biennial renewal period

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ii. If paid during the second year of the biennial renewal period

\$175.00

4. Initial license fee for orthotist assistant, prosthetist assistant and prosthetist-orthotist assistant:

.....\$150.00

i. If paid during the first year of the biennial renewal period

.....\$ 75.00

ii. If paid during the second year of the biennial renewal period

5. biennial license renewal for orthotist, prosthetist and

..... \$350.00

prosthetics-orthotist

6. biennial license renewal orthotist assistant, prosthetist assistant and prosthetist-orthotist assistant

.....\$150.00

7. (No change in text.)

..... \$100.00

8. Late renewal

Recodify existing 8.-11. as <<+9.-12+>>. (No change in text.)
