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Administrative Code Citation

Adopted Amendments: N.J.A.C. 13:44H-2.1, 2.2, and 3.5

Text

Scope of Orthotist Practice; Orthotist Assistant; Scope of Prosthetist Practice; Prosthetist Assistant; Licensure as a Prosthetist Assistant, Orthotist Assistant, or Prosthetist-Orthotist Assistant

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Adopted: August 8, 2018, by the Orthotics and Prosthetics Board of Examiners, John Shimkus, Chair.

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Summary of Public Comment and Agency Response:

The official comment period ended July 20, 2018. **No comments were received.**

Federal Standards Statement

A Federal standards analysis is not required because there are no Federal laws or standards applicable to the adopted amendments.

Regulations

Full text of the adoption follows:

SUBCHAPTER 2. SCOPE OF PRACTICE

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

- (a) The scope of practice of a licensed orthotist shall include patient evaluation for 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 and the development and implementation of an orthotic treatment plan that includes the measuring, designing, constructing, assembling, fitting, adjusting, and servicing of orthotic appliances or orthoses.
- (b) A licensed orthotist assistant may provide services identified in (a) above under the close supervision of a licensed orthotist pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.6.
- (c) A licensed orthotist assistant shall not:
 - 1. Provide the initial evaluation of a patient;
 - 2. Develop or modify an orthotic treatment plan for a patient; or
 - 3. Provide the final fitting of an orthotic appliance or orthoses.

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

- (a) The scope of practice of a licensed prosthetist shall include patient evaluation for 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 and the development and implementation of a prosthetic treatment plan that includes the measuring, designing, constructing, assembling, fitting, adjusting, and servicing of upper and lower extremity prosthetic appliances.
- (b) A licensed prosthetist assistant may provide services identified in (a) above under the close supervision of a licensed prosthetist pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.6.
- (c) A licensed prosthetist assistant shall not:
 - 1. Provide the initial evaluation of a patient;

2. Develop or modify a prosthetic treatment plan for a patient; or
3. Provide the final fitting of an upper or lower extremity prosthetic appliance.

[page=2154] SUBCHAPTER 3. CREDENTIALS REQUIRED FOR LICENSURE; TEMPORARY LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS; LICENSURE WITHOUT EXAMINATION; ORTHOTISTS AND PROSTHETISTS

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.-ii. (No change.)
 - iii. Proof 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, which includes a course in human anatomy, a course in medical terminology, and a course in general/fundamental physics from a college or university accredited by a regional or national accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education;
 - iv. (No change.)
2. Proof that the applicant has passed the American Board for Certification in Orthotics and Prosthetics Assistant examination; and
3. (No change.)