Instructions for Registering Online for the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) & Alabama Jurisprudence Examination

The Alabama Board of Physical Therapy requires that applicants sit for and pass the appropriate National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) and the Alabama Jurisprudence Examination as a prerequisite for licensure. The Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) is the organization responsible for administering and developing these exams.

Registration Process

Alabama uses the FSBPT website to allow candidates to register online for the NPTE and the Alabama Jurisprudence Examination. The website you need to access for registering is www.fsbpt.org/pt. Once you have registered online you can check the status of your registration online as well as the progress of your registration. To check the status of your exam registration, go to www.fsbpt.org/pt/candidatestatus.cfm

Eligibility to Sit for the NPTE

To sit for the NPTE exam, you must register yourself at FSBPT and have your school’s faculty validate your date of graduation. Once fee is paid, FSBPT will send you an Authorization to Test (ATT) letter via email following your approval. This letter is your authorization to sit for the exam and includes instructions for scheduling your testing appointment. It is very important that as you register for the exam, you select Alabama as the jurisdiction to have your score sent. Failure to select Alabama will result in delays in finishing the licensing process.

Eligibility to Sit for the AL Jurisprudence Examination

FSBPT determines your eligibility to sit for the AL Jurisprudence exam once you have completed your online NPTE registration selecting Alabama as your jurisdiction to have scores sent. Once approved, FSBPT will send you an Authorization to Test (ATT) letter via email. This letter is your authorization to sit for the exam and includes instructions for scheduling your testing appointment.

Scheduling Questions

Please do not call the Alabama Board about scheduling your exam. The FSBPT will contact you with information when you have been approved. The Authorization to Test letters you will receive contains important information about scheduling and should be read carefully. If you have additional questions regarding scheduling, please call the FSBPT Exam Services Department at 703-739-9420, ext. 201.

Exam Results

Once the Alabama Board of Physical Therapy receives your passing score for both examinations and a completed application is on file with our office, you will be issued a license. If you fail, your application with the board remains active until you have exhausted all attempts on the exams.

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