

TITLE 16  
LEGISLATIVE RULE  
WV BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY  
SERIES 4  
FEES FOR PHYSICAL THERAPIST AND PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

DID NOT AMEND THE RULE

**March 31, 2014**

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- I would agree with Proposed Rule Change: to reduce the fees for both PT and PTA biennial licensing fees.

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Jennifer J. Rea, PT

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- I agree with and support the proposed changes. I hope at some point we can consider requiring less CEUs for PTA's vs PT. Not all facilities provide an education budget and there are less opportunities for PTA CEU. Even though PT salaries will easily provide, it is a financial burden for PTAs at times.

Ryder Witherell, PT, DPT

- I support the changes to 16-4-1.

**April 4, 2014**

S.Pixote McClung, DPT

- I am for the proposed rule.

**April 6, 2014**

Nancy Turkaly, PT

- I am for the reduced renewal charges in PT and PTA licensure fees.

**April 7, 2014**

Amanda Gum, PTA; Amanda L. Miller, PTA

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Lori Magana, PT

- I support the rule changes 16-4-2.2d, 16-4-2.2i, 16-4-2.2q.1 and 16-4-2.3q.2.

**April 8, 2014**

Gretchen Pfost, PT

- In favor of reduction to license renewal fees.

Saurabh Mehta PT, PhD

- As a Licensed Physical Therapist in the State of West Virginia, I am writing to give my strong support to the proposed rule change 16-4-1 which intends to reduce our biennial renewal fees from \$120 to \$100.

Rania Karim, PT, DPT, GCS, CEEAA

- I am in favor of the proposed rule change 16-4-1 which reduces biennial renewal fees from \$120.00 to \$100.00.

Sujoy Bose, PT, DPT, MHS, CCS

- I am licensed in the State of West Virginia to practice Physical Therapy. I am writing you to indicate my support for the proposed rule change for reducing the biennial PT renewal fees from \$120 to \$100.

Karen Mishock, PTA

- I am in agreement with the proposed rule change 16-4-1 to reduce the Biennial rates for a PT and PTA. I feel the expense to extend a license should be cheaper. The license is already active and not being issued for the first time. It is an extension of a current license. We incur other expenses from continuing education courses for a license we have already secured. That said I am in agreement with the CE adjustment to approve a course from the WV board of PT as well.

**April 10, 2014**

Kristen McMillion, PT

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Response to Comments

No Amendments made to Rule

approved. If approval is going to be required, it should be affordable so it doesn't limit our ability to take relevant high quality courses.

**April 13, 2014**

Tamara Gravano, PT, DPT, GCS, CEEAA

- I am a licensed PT in WV and I am in favor of the proposed rule change 16-4-1 which will reduce our biennial renewal fees from \$120 to \$100. I see this as a help to the PTs in our state. Please work as hard as you can to make this happen.

**April 17, 2014**

**WV Physical Therapy Association**

- I am submitting comments on behalf of the 600 members of the West Virginia Physical Therapy Association. The WVPTA is pleased with the proposed reduction of the fees of \$20 for both the PT and PTA of \$20; as well as the \$35 reduction on individual course review fees.

**April 20, 2014**

**Sue Eisenmann, PTA**

- I think lowering the cost is a good idea. My WV license is significantly higher than the other 2 states that I have been licensed in.

**April 24, 2014**

**Doug James, PT, OCS, Cert. MDT**

- I am in favor of reducing the fees as proposed as listed on the public comment card notice I received in the mail.

## Holstein, Patricia A

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**From:** Holstein, Patricia A  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 24, 2014 10:10 AM  
**To:** 'dougjames@teaysptcenter.com'  
**Subject:** FW: Proposed Rule Change 16-4-1

Thanks Doug, I will add your email to our comments.

Trish Holstein  
Executive Secretary

Disclaimer:

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**From:** Doug James [<mailto:djames@teaysptcenter.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 24, 2014 8:42 AM  
**To:** WVB OPT  
**Subject:** Proposed Rule Change 16-4-1

I am in favor of reducing the fees as proposed as listed on the public comment card notice I received in the mail.

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## Holstein, Patricia A

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**From:** Holstein, Patricia A  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 22, 2014 8:43 AM  
**To:** 'rojsue@comcast.net'  
**Subject:** FW: Comment

Thanks Sue.

I will add your email to the comments.

Trish Holstein  
Executive Secretary

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**From:** [rojsue@comcast.net](mailto:rojsue@comcast.net) [mailto:[rojsue@comcast.net](mailto:rojsue@comcast.net)]  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 20, 2014 9:18 PM  
**To:** WVB OPT  
**Subject:** Comment

I think lowering the cost is a good idea. My WV license is significantly higher than the other 2 states that I have been licensed in.

Thanks,  
Sue Eisenmann

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April 11, 2014

Trish Holstein  
Executive Secretary  
WV Board of Physical Therapy  
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Dear Trish:

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Sincerely yours,

Eric Tarr, PT, DPT, MBA, OCS

## WVBOPT

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**From:** Gravano, Tamara <gravano@marshall.edu>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 13, 2014 10:24 PM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Reduction of renewal fee

Dear WV Board of PT,

I am a licensed PT in WV and I am in favor of the proposed rule change 16-4-1 which will reduce our biennial renewal fees from \$120 to \$100. I see this as a help to the PTs in our state. Please work as hard as you can to make this happen.

Thanks,

Tamara Gravano, PT, DPT, GCS, CEEAA

## WVBOPT

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**From:** Kristen McMillion <hovlandkristen@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 10, 2014 11:17 PM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Proposed rule change

I especially support lowering the individual continuing ed course review for individuals. At 50 dollars, I can't afford to go through the process and have chosen less pertinent courses solely because they were already approved. If approval is going to be required, it should be affordable so it doesn't limit our ability to take relevant high quality courses.

Kristen McMillion, PT

Sent from my iPhone



## WVBOPT

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**From:** Pfof, Gretchen <gretchen.pfof@marshall.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 08, 2014 8:59 AM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Proposed rule change 16-4-1

In favor of reduction of license renewal fees. Thank you!  
Gretchen Pfof

## **WVBOPT**

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**From:** Mehta, Saurabh <mehtas@marshall.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 08, 2014 11:30 AM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Email to support the proposed rule change 16-4-1

Hello

As a Licensed Physical Therapist in the State of West Virginia, I am writing to give my strong support to the proposed rule change 16-4-1 which intends to reduce our biennial renewal fees from \$120 to \$100.

**Saurabh Mehta PT, PhD**  
**Assistant Professor**  
**School of Physical Therapy**  
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## WVBOPT

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**From:** Karim, Rania <karimr@marshall.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 08, 2014 11:08 AM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Rule Change 16-4-1

To whom it may concern,

I am in favor of the proposed rule change 16-4-1 which reduces biennial renewal fees from \$120.00 to \$100.00

Thanks,  
Rania

Rania Karim, PT, DPT, GCS, CEEAA  
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## WVBOPT

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**From:** Bose, Sujoy <bores@marshall.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 08, 2014 11:05 AM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** In favor of the proposed rule change 16-4-1

Dear Sir/Ma'am,

I am licensed in the State of West Virginia to practice Physical Therapy. I am writing you to indicate my support for the proposed rule change for reducing the biennial PT renewal fees from \$120 to \$100.

Thank you very much for the consideration.

Sincerely,  
Sujoy Bose

*Sujoy Bose* PT, DPT, MHS, CCS.  
**Board Certified in Cardiovascular & Pulmonary PT**  
Assistant Professor  
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## WVBOPT

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**From:** Mishock, Karen <KMishock@wvuhealthcare.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 08, 2014 9:52 AM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Proposed Rule Change

WV Board of PT:

I am in agreement with the proposed rule change 16-4-1 to reduce the Biennial rates for a PT and PTA. I feel the expense to extend a license should be cheaper. The license is already active and not being issued for the first time. It is an extension of a current license. We incur other expenses from continuing education courses for a license we have already secured. That said I am in agreement with the CE adjustment to approve a course from the WV board of PT as well.

Thank you very much for your time.

Karen Mishock, PTA  
Physical Therapist Asst.



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## **WVBOPT**

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**From:** Gum, Amanda L BECVAMC <Amanda.Gum@va.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 8:41 AM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Proposed Rule Change

I am writing this in favor of the proposed State Licensing Board to decrease licensure fees as follows:

**Physical Therapist Biennial Renewal From \$120 to \$100.**

**Physical Therapist Assistant Biennial Renewal From \$80.00 to \$60.00.**

Thank you for accepting my comment and taking this proposal into consideration, Amanda Gum PTA

## WVBOPT

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**From:** Miller, Amanda L. BECVAMC <Amanda.Miller2@va.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 8:50 AM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Proposed Rule Change

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*Amanda L. Miller, PTA  
Physical Therapist Assistant  
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Beckley, WV 25801  
304-255-2121  
304-256-5474*

## WVBOPT

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**From:** Angie Beaver <angiebeaver@suddenlink.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 8:07 AM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Proposed Rule Change

It would be a benefit to drop licensing fees do to reimbursements going down and no raised happening.  
Thank you

Angie B



## WVBOPT

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**From:** Mary Mullins <m.mullins72812@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 1:25 PM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Rule making process

I am for reducing the renewal fee from \$80-\$60. I think that would be wonderful.  
Thank you!  
Mary Mullins

Sent from my iPhone

## WVBOPT

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**From:** Brittany Dennison <brittanydennisondpt@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 7:36 PM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Proposed changes

I am in favor of the proposed changes and appreciate the consideration into this proposal. Thank you

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Brittany Dennison, DPT

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## WVBOPT

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**From:** Yahoo <navalyn@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 5:29 PM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** PT / PTA Fees Proposed Rule Change

Dear WVBOPT,

I am writing this to vote on my support FOR this rule change. The change would help put some extra money in our pockets to help fund our continuing education.

Thank you so much and may God bless the Board for all the work that you do.

Candice Santos, PT  
Sent from my iPhone

## WVBOPT

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**From:** lori Jo <lorimagana@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 4:26 PM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Comments on the proposed rule changes

I support the rule changes 16-4-2.2d, 16-4-2.2i, 16-4-2.2q.1 and 16-4-2.3q.2

Thank you

Lori

## WVBOPT

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**From:** Nancy Turkaly <turkaly98@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 06, 2014 8:25 PM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Proposed rule change

I am all for the reduced renewal charges in PT and PTA licensure fees.

nancy Turkaly

Sent from my iPad

## WVBOPT

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**From:** Pixote McClung <pmcclung@greenbrierpt.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 04, 2014 2:56 PM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Proposed rule change: 16-4-1

To whom it may concern:

I am for the proposed rule change.

Thank you.  
S. Pixote McClung, DPT

Sent from Windows Mail

## WVBOPT

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**From:** Ryder Witherell <ryderwvupt@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 03, 2014 9:17 PM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Proposed Rule Change

I support the changes to 16-4-1.

Ryder Witherell, PT, DPT  
Let's Go Mountaineers!!!!

## WVBOPT

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**From:** Hull, Cheryl <Cheryl.Hull@thomaswv.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 03, 2014 3:38 PM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** 16-4-1

I agree with and support the proposed changes. I hope at some point we can consider requiring less CEUs for PTA's vs PT. Not all facilities provide an education budget and there are less opportunities for PTA CEU. Even though PT salaries will easily provide, it is a financial burden for PTAs at times. Thank you. Cheryl Hull, #201

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## WVBOPT

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**From:** Jennifer.Rea@LPNT.net  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 03, 2014 9:03 AM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** rule changes

To the Board of physical therapy,  
I just would like to say that I am very excited and grateful to hear that the board has proposed to reduce the cost Biennial Renewal both for PT's and PTA's. The cost of living keeps going up, but very few therapist's I know are getting raises. I truly appreciate this idea! Jen Rea, PT

*Jennifer J. Rea, PT*

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## WVBOPT

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**From:** mark.karnoupakis@mountainriverpt.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 01, 2014 8:41 PM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Proposed Rule Change 16-4-1

I am in favor of all the changes stated in the proposed rule change.

Thank you,

Dr. Mark Karnoupakis, PT, DPT.

## WVBOPT

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**From:** bogeybear7744@comcast.net  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 01, 2014 11:54 AM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** PT/PTA fees

I would agree with Proposed Rule Change: to reduce the fees for both PT and PTA biennial licensing fees.

Jeanette Shannon, PT  
WV#1215

## WVBOPT

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**From:** amason@access.k12.wv.us  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 01, 2014 7:27 AM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** proposed rule changes

Thank you for the post card notifying me of the proposed changes. I fully support all changes. I am especially appreciative of the \$15 fee for individual licensee review for continuing education course review - this is a practical amount and will likely result in more PTs requesting approval for courses attended.

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Annette Mason, PT, MS, PCS  
Physical Therapist, Pediatric Clinical Specialist  
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## WVBOPT

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**From:** Debbie Rapp The Holler Farm <thehollerfarm@frontiernet.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 31, 2014 6:51 PM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Proposed rule change

This rule change can help to offset the ever increasing price of fuel to get to work. Even small changes help. D. Rapp

## WVBOPT

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**From:** Mark Linkinoggor <mlinkinoggor720@cardinal.wju.edu>  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 29, 2014 3:17 PM  
**To:** WVBOPT  
**Subject:** Proposed Rule Change for the Period of April 1 - May 1, 2014

Good afternoon,

My name is Mark Linkinoggor. I am a PT at Thomas Memorial Hospital. This email is to emphasize support for the proposed changes for 16-4-2.2 including parts d, i, q, q.1 and q.2

May God bless you. Thank you.

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Mark Linkinoggor PT, DPT, CRT  
Physical Therapist: Outpatient  
Thomas Memorial Hospital: Charleston, WV