

From: [Sunset Advisory Commission](#)
To: [Janet Wood](#)
Subject: FW: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)
Date: Wednesday, June 22, 2016 1:02:05 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: sundrupal@capitol.local [<mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local>]
Sent: Wednesday, June 22, 2016 12:56 PM
To: Sunset Advisory Commission
Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: EXECUTIVE COUNCIL PHYSICAL THERAPY AND OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

First Name: Amanda

Last Name: Cress

Title: PT, DPT, OCS

Organization you are affiliated with: APTA, TPTA, Lott Physical Therapy

Email:

City: Corsicana

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: My name is Amanda Cress, a physical therapist who has been practicing in the state of Texas for the past four years. I am speaking on behalf of myself, as a physical therapist. I strongly support the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners and many of its current responsibilities. First of all, I support the Texas Sunset Review Committee's recommendation that Texas PTOT Board of Examiners join the national licensure compact. Joining the compact would allow for reciprocity of licensure across state lines and allow PT's and PTA's to move from state-to-state in order to provide care for needy patients, particularly those in under served rural areas. Secondly, I oppose the Sunset Review Committee's recommendation to strip the Continuing Competency Approval Program (CCAP) away from the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners and Texas Physical Therapy Association. I also oppose the recommendation to remove statutory law that would prohibit the TBPTE from engaging in any future such arrangements. The CCAP program is a well developed program with exceptionally trained/diverse professionals from 22 different medical specialties. The process of the CCAP progress eliminates the risk of bias with a double-blind professional review process. The CCAP program ensures that continuing education opportunities for physical therapy professional across the state reflect the standards of the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners and clinicians across the state- to ensure public protection.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: None at this time.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree