From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

Subject: FW: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

**Date:** Monday, June 20, 2016 8:18:49 AM

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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local]

Sent: Sunday, June 19, 2016 4:57 PM To: Sunset Advisory Commission

Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS BOARD PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

First Name: William

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City: Lubbock

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

My name is William S. Lewis, PT, DPT, and have been practicing in Lubbock, Texas since 1981 (35 years), and currently own a large private physical therapy practice called Physical Therapy Today since 2003.. I am writing this letter representing myself and would like to express:

SUPPORT for the Sunset Commission's recommendation that the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners join the national Licensure Compact that would allow improved communication between states in a more functional manner to allow the Physical Therapist and Physical Therapy Assistant who move between states to to obtain a new license in a expedited manner without having to jump through "Hoops".

I OPPOSE the recommendation to strip the Continuing Competence Approval Program (CCAP) program administration away from the TPTA and the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (TBPTE) as well as OPPOSE the recommendation to remove the statutory authority (law) that would prohibit the TBPTE from engaging in any future such arrangements. CCAP has a proven record over the years to be an effective program between the TBPTE and the TPTA. CCAP utilizes 109 doctoral trained Physical Therapy professionals representing 22 distinct medical specialty areas using a double-blind professional review process that is efficient and has been able to make the fees affordable over the years! The CCAP program insures the very purpose for which the TBPTE exists - providing for public protection.

Thank You,

William S. Lewis, PT, DPT

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: N/A

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree

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Subject: FW: Comments regarding SAC staff report of the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners

**Date:** Thursday, April 21, 2016 11:36:15 AM

**From:** Bill Lewis [mailto:Bill.Lewis@physicaltherapytoday.com]

Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2016 8:30 AM

**To:** Sunset Advisory Commission **Cc:** Bill Lewis; Rick Stepp

Subject: Comments regarding SAC staff report of the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners

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Date: 4/21/2016

To: Sunset Advisory Commission (SAC)

Issue: (SAC) Staff Report Issue 3

Dear Sunset Advisory Committee:

I am a licensed physical therapist (34 years) and clinic owner located in Lubbock, Texas., currently employing 22 PT's and 10 PTA's.

The current arrangement with the TPTA administering the continuing competence approval program (CCAP) has worked extremely well for me, my company, and employees over many years and should not be changed.

I oppose "Issue 3" of the staff report. I believe the current arrangement should not be changed. The TPTA should be exclusive administer of the CCAP program.

Sincerely,

William S. Lewis, PT, DPT