From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

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

Sent: Thursday, June 23, 2016 4:25 PM To: Sunset Advisory Commission

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

Agency: TEXAS BOARD PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

First Name: Sean

Last Name: Mahaney

Title:

Organization you are affiliated with:

Email:

City: Plano

State: Texas

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

I am a physical therapist and have been living in Texas for about 5.5 years now. I practice in acute care. These comments are my personal opinions.

I SUPPORT the Sunset Commission's recommendations that the Texas Board of PT Examiners joins the national licensure compact. The participation in a licensure compact would alleviate impediments that individual state based licensure requirements currently put on PTs and PTAs looking to relocate.

Having moved several times since initially receiving my physical therapy license over 16 years ago I have had to navigate through these state based impediments several times. A licensure compact would be very welcome.

I OPPOSE the recommendation to strip the Continuing Competence Approval Program away from the Texas Physical Therapy Association and the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners. I also OPPOSE any recommendation that would prohibit TBPTE from engaging in such arrangements in the future. The current process used by these organizations to ensure physical therapists and physical therapy assistants maintain continued competence is comparable or superior to other states and adequately protects the public, which is a primary purpose of TBPTE.

Thank you.

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

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree