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Agency: TEXAS BOARD PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

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

As a physical therapist licensed to practice in Texas for the last 28 years I support the Sunset Commissions's recommendation that the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners join the national Licensure Compact. I believe this will decrease many of the administrative barriers keeping well qualified physical therapists licensed outside of Texas from relocating to help our population.

I do oppose the recommendation to remove the Continuing Competence Approval Program (CCAP) administration from the TPTA and the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (TBPTE). Both of these organizations have made positive changes in the continuing competence model and greatly improved the meaningfulness and value behind the process. These changes are making professional advancement requirements directly tied to improving quality of care for our patients. I also oppose the recommendation to remove the statutory authority that would prohibit the TBPTE from engaging in any future such arrangements. The TBPTE continues to make well founded decisions which continue to improve the quality of physical therapy practice in Texas. I strongly feel they should keep this authority.

The CCAP is governed by more than 100 doctoral trained physical therapists from greater than 20 medical specialty areas using an academic and scientific blinding model to review and ensure only the highest quality education and competency activities are approved. Changing this structure would have a negative impact on the quality of the CCAP program.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: My views are expressed above. No alternative or recommendations suggested.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree