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Georgia Jurisprudence for Physical Therapists and Physical Therapist Assistants

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Note to Participants: There are interactive pop-up questions throughout this lecture. If you choose to pause the lecture and return at a later time, a natural break time would be after answering the interactive questions. (You are able to pause at any time and the presentation will “remember” where you were. It’s just a more natural time to pause after the interactive questions.) For your convenience, this outline reflects where/when within the lecture the interactive questions occur.

This lecture has 109 slides and is 83 minutes in duration. However, fully reviewing the presentation, navigating the associated websites, and reading the external materials will demand at least 2 hours of the participant.

- I. Introduction
 - A. Acknowledgement
 - B. Course description and objectives
- II. Origins of the laws and rules governing the practice of physical therapy
 - A. The creation of laws in Georgia
 - B. The website for the Georgia Secretary of State
 - C. The GA Code

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Interactive Questions — slide 16 @ 11 minutes

- III. The GA Code: General provisions
 - A. Examination: 43-1-9
 - B. Licensure: 43-1-19
 - C. Unlicensed practice: 43-1-20
 - D. Investigations: 43-1-21
 - E. Inactive licenses: 43-1-22
 - F. Exemptions: 43-1-23
 - G. Subject to regulation: 43-1-24
 - H. Authority of the Board: 43-1-25
 - I. Exemptions for competition: 43-1-26
 - J. Requirement of reporting a felony conviction: 43-1-27
 - K. Consumer information and awareness: 43-1-33
 - L. Military spouses and licensure of veterans: 43-1-34
 - M. Other sections
 - N. Review

Interactive Questions — slide 35 @ 21 minutes

- IV. The Georgia Physical Therapy Act: Found in the GA Code, Title 43, Chapter 33
 - A. Declaration of purpose: 43-33-2
 - B. Definitions: 43-33-3

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- C. Creation of the State Board of Physical Therapy: 43-33-4 through 43-33-10
 - D. Licensure: 43-33-11 through 43-33-13
 - E. Determining competence: 43-33-14
 - F. Reciprocity: 43-33-15
 - G. Expiration, renewal and restoration of licenses: 43-33-16
 - H. Training permits: 43-33-17
 - I. Refusal to grant or restore licenses; discipline: 43-33-18
 - J. Unlicensed practice: 43-33-19
 - K. Physical Therapy Licensure Compact Act: 43-33-30
 - L. Ratification of compact: 43-33-31
 - M. Review

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Interactive Questions — slide 60 @ 43 minutes

- V. The Georgia State Board of Physical Therapy
 - A. Board rules: Chapter 490
 - 1. Organization of the board: 490-1
 - 2. Licensure requirements: 490-2
 - 3. Evaluation of examination: Applicants: 490-3
 - 4. Renewal: 490-4
 - a. Deadlines for renewal
 - b. Reinstating a license after revocation
 - c. Continuing competence requirements and audits
 - d. Inactive licenses
 - 5. Supervision and direction of the PTA: 490-5
 - 6. Procedural rules: 490-6
 - 7. Verification of license and examination scores: 490-7
 - 8. Definition of and requirements for PT aides: 490-8

Interactive Questions — slide 76 @ 63 minutes

- 9. Code of Ethics: 490-9
 - a. For physical therapists
 - b. For physical therapist assistants
 - c. Disciplinary sanctions
 - d. Proposed revisions
 - e. Dry needling
 - f. Telehealth
- 10. Preventative services: 490-10
- 11. Consultation: 490-11
- 12. Practice of PT in natural disaster: 490-12
- 13. Proposed rules
- 14. Review

Interactive Questions — slide 89 @ 71 minutes

- B. Policy statements: List of policies
- C. FAQ topics
- D. Board website

Interactive Questions — slide 97 @ 80 minutes

VI. Application scenarios

- A. Scenario A
- B. Scenario B

VII. Additional resources

- A. APTA resources
- B. PTAG recourses

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