

## Washington Will Begin Issuing Compact Privileges September 23

ALEXANDRIA, Virginia, September 16, 2019 — The Physical Therapy Compact Commission (PT Compact) is pleased to announce that compact privileges will be available for the state of Washington starting Monday, September 23, 2019, at 9 a.m. EDT. This will bring the total number of states issuing compact privileges to sixteen, following Arizona, Colorado, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oregon, Tennessee, Texas, and Utah.

Physical therapists (PTs) and physical therapist assistants (PTAs) whose home state is Arizona, Colorado, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oregon, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, and Washington will be able to go to ptcompact.org to verify their eligibility and purchase compact privileges. Compact privileges can be purchased for one or more of the other remote states, giving practitioners the ability to provide physical therapy services in those states.

Interested PTs and PTAs should review information on state jurisprudence requirements, associated fees, and waivers. Additional resources, such as eligibility requirements, the purchasing process, and an FAQ are also available.

The PT Compact anticipates many more of its member states will be ready to begin issuing compact privileges in the coming months. As more states become ready to issue compact privileges, announcements will be made on ptcompact.org, the PT Compact email subscription list, Twitter, and news media.

The PT Compact is an easy, fast, efficient, and inexpensive alternative to the standard licensing process to obtain the privilege to practice in a remote state. However, not all PTs and PTAs may be eligible to participate. For more information on the eligibility requirements and rules for compact privilege seekers and holders please go to ptcompact.org.

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## **Physical Therapy Licensure Compact**

The Physical Therapy Licensure Compact (PTCC) is a state-based solution to the challenges of interstate licensure portability for physical therapists (PTs) and physical therapist assistants (PTAs). It will improve patient access to physical therapy services by giving eligible licensees in participating states a faster, less expensive alternative to traditional licensure. There are currently twenty-six members of the PTCC: Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Georgia, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Missouri, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, and West Virginia.

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