

**New York State Athletic Training Committee
Meeting Agenda
October 24, 2024
10:30 am**

**1411 Broadway
10th floor
NYC
and NYSED remote sites**

Committee Members Present: Trevor Cramer, Courtney Gray, Robert O'Malley, Michael Powers, and Medicine Board liaison Dr. Ramanathan Raju.

Members Absent: Douglas Straley

NYSED Staff Present: Stephen Boese, Executive Secretary to the Board; Michelle Pawlowski, Education Credentials Specialist 2; and Lee Fitzgerald, Education Program Assistant 2.

Guests Present: Karin Carreau, NYSATA representative.

Mr. Powers called the meeting to order at 10:35 AM

Review of Minutes from May 31, 2024

Motion is made, seconded, and passed to approve the 5/31/2024 meeting minutes.

Executive Secretary Report—Update from the Office of Professions

Update on reviews of Draft regulations for new practice act.

The new committee in accordance with the revised practice act legislation will change from 5 to 7 members with the two additional members being a NY licensed physician and public member. The physician must have certification in orthopedic surgery, primary care, family practice, sports medicine or neurology. The public member must be a consumer of the profession but not an athletic trainer.

The Legislature has added the training requirement of child abuse and maltreatment reporting and infection control practices. Once the new law is in effect, athletic trainers will by law be on the list of professions that have to complete these mandated trainings.

SED will have to collect the certificate of completion from all athletic trainers.

Current NYS certified athletic trainers will need to show completion of these courses upon the next reregistration period after receiving their license.

It was discussed that the date of registration for NYS current certified athletic trainers will not change after their license goes into effect. An example was given that if a registration is due in January and a license for a current certified athletic trainer was issued in December, would they need to then reregister the next month showing completed coursework and mandated training? This will be researched and confirmed.

The new law will have a way for legacy athletic trainers who have a bachelor's degree in something other than athletic training and were certified through an experiential pathway to be licensed. The experiential pathway closed in July of 2022 but such individuals who completed study prior to July 2022 will have a pathway to licensure in accordance with the draft regulations.

§52.27- All new licensure qualifying athletic training educational programs must meet national BOC accreditation standards to be registered in NYS.

§79.72 Education requirements for athletic trainer- must be a graduate of an accredited or NYS registered AT program with a BA or higher, with the exception of certain applicants who completed their education prior to July 2022.

Applicants with a BA or Higher degree in a field other than athletic training must have completed the program before July 1, 2022, and demonstrate completion of 1500 hours of clinical work or experience; 12 hours of postsecondary course work in athletic training content, and nine hours in human biological and physical sciences and social and behavioral sciences.

The standards previously stated in part 52 regulations for NYS registered athletic training educational programs will now be adapted for part 79 to apply to educational standards for legacy applicants who completed their course of study prior to July 2022.

The committee is asking for more information on how an applicant can be approved if they are not able to provide direct documentation on experience due to internship hours not recorded, clinical director is no longer available or school closure., How can that applicant be approved? We will report back on how this will be reviewed if old documentation of clinical hours are not available. It was suggested that the BOC should have records for those who went through their certification process.

Before the new practice act takes effect, the Board of Regents Professional Practice Committee will review the proposed regulations. If acceptable, they will be published in the state register for a 60-day public comment period. It is expected the Board of Regents will grant final approval to the new regulations before the new law's effective date in December 2025.

Next steps for the new licensure law; promoting awareness and collaboration.

Presented by Karin Carreau from NYSATA

NYSATA is promoting awareness and getting the word out through the following mediums:

- Written news articles on next steps
- Presenting at conferences and NYSATA business meetings
- Engaging with Athletic Board Team
- Queried members at conferences and used responses to create questions and answers page on their website.
- Apprise on how to become approved providers.
- Magazine article published in July 2024
- Brainstorm on weekly basis on how to get the word out
- Working with Athletic Directors' Association and PTA
- Social media tools
- Countdown clock
- Future collaboration with SED
- Add NYSATA Links to SED website
- Contact the many subgroup societies of athletic trainer groups (high school level)

Reach of Association: 1600-2000 members of NATA who are members of NYSATA and 1300 who are members of NATA who live and work in New York.

Athletic Trainers in the National Association are automatically enrolled in the regional and state associations.

While every athletic Trainers must have passed the BOC exam, there is no state requirement that an athletic trainer maintain national certification.

An email and follow up will go out from SED to all certified athletic trainers notifying them of the changes and requirements, including licensure, scope of practice changes, new allowable practice locations, information concerning the protocol for physician supervision, and other parameters.

The law states a written protocol must be in place for supervision. Physicians may supervise no more than four athletic trainers. SED will not collect the protocol but legally it must be in place.

September 1, 2025, was suggested as a good time to send out first notification email.

Next Meeting Date: March 6, 2025 @10:30 am

Meeting adjourned at 11:46 am

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Pawlowski
Educational Credential Specialist 2

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