

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY
STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the amendment of) NOTICE OF AMENDMENT,
ARM 24.177.501 examinations,) ADOPTION, AND REPEAL
24.177.507 licensure of out-of-state)
applicants, the adoption of NEW)
RULE I dry needling, and the repeal)
of ARM 24.177.2101 renewals and)
24.177.2401 complaint procedure)

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On May 14, 2015, the Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (board) published MAR Notice No. 24-177-32 regarding the public hearing on the proposed amendment, adoption, and repeal of the above-stated rules, at page 531 of the 2015 Montana Administrative Register, Issue No. 9.

2. On June 8, 2015, a public hearing was held on the proposed amendment, adoption, and repeal of the above-stated rules in Helena. Numerous comments regarding proposed NEW RULE I were received by the June 12, 2015, deadline. No comments were received regarding the proposed amendments and repeals.

3. The board has amended ARM 24.177.501 and 24.177.507 exactly as proposed.

4. The board has repealed ARM 24.177.2101 and 24.177.2401 exactly as proposed.

5. The board is not adopting NEW RULE I at this time. The board received numerous comments both opposing and supporting the proposed new rule. Following review and consideration of all comments, and due to concerns raised by the comments, the board has decided to not adopt the rule as proposed at this time. The board anticipates conducting additional research and having subsequent discussions to address the issues raised by the comments.

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BRIAN MILLER, PRESIDING OFFICER

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Rule Reviewer

/s/ PAM BUCY
Pam Bucy, Commissioner
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

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