Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education
American Physical Therapy Association

SUMMARY OF ACTION
Physical Therapist Assistant Program
South Texas College
PO Box 9701
McAllen, TX 78502-9701

On November 11, 2015, the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education made the following decision regarding the physical therapist education program at South Texas College.

Status: ACCREDITATION
Action Taken: Reaffirm Accreditation
Effective Date: November 11, 2015

Information Used to Make Decisions:
- Self-study Report received June 6, 2015
- Visit Report with Institution Response received September 25, 2015
- Comments from the Program Director
- Comments from the Team Leader

Reason for Decision: The Commission’s decision to reaffirm accreditation status is based on the program's compliance with the intent of all of the Evaluative Criteria.

Graduate Performance: The Commission notes the following:
1) The program is meeting its mission as evidenced by program outcomes.
2) The performance of the program graduates, as reported by the program unless otherwise noted.

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<th>Student Achievement</th>
<th>Program Graduates</th>
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<td>Graduation Rate for students graduating in 2011, 2012, 2013</td>
<td>68.5%</td>
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<td>Licensure Examination Pass Rate- ultimate Pass rate for students graduating in 2012, 2013, 2014*</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>Employment Rate for students graduating in 2012, 2013, 2014</td>
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*Reported by the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy; data current as of September 30, 2015

Next Activity: Self-study Report and On-site Review on 2025

NOTICES

REQUIRED STATEMENT OF ACCREDITATION STATUS
Once a program has been accredited, and for as long as it remains accredited, the program MUST use the statement provided in §8.20 on all educational and promotional materials, including the institution/program web site, where the program’s accreditation status is disclosed:
[INSERT Name of Program] at [INSERT Name of Institution] is accredited by the
Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 1111 North
Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; telephone: 703-706-3245; email:
accreditation@apta.org; website: http://www.capteonline.org.

NOTE: If the institution offers other physical therapy programs not subject to accreditation by CAPTE
(e.g., transitional DPT, post-professional degree program, residency or fellowship), the above statement
must be edited to clearly indicate that the additional programs are not accredited by CAPTE.
Additionally, the information available to the public regarding these programs must clearly state that they
are not accredited by CAPTE.

ACCURATE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF THIS DECISION BY THE INSTITUTION
The institution and program must make accurate public disclosure of the accreditation or preaccreditation
status awarded to the program. Further, the United States Department of Education (USDE) requires all
recognized accrediting agencies to provide for the public correction of incorrect or misleading
information an institution or program releases about accreditation or preaccreditation status, contents of
reports of on-site reviews, and accreditation or preaccreditation actions with respect to the institution or
program. [34 CFR 602.23(d) and 602.23(e)] If the institution or program chooses to disclose any
additional information, beyond the accreditation or preaccreditation status that is within the scope of the
USDE rule, such disclosure also must be accurate. Any public disclosure of information within the scope
of the rule must include the agency’s street address, email address and phone number: Commission on
Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education, 1111 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314;
accreditation@apta.org; (703) 684-2782 or (703) 706-3245. If the Accreditation Staff finds that an
institution or program has released incorrect or misleading information within the scope of the USDE
rule, then, acting on behalf of CAPTE the Accreditation Staff will make public correction, and reserves
the right to disclose this Summary of Action in its entirety for that purpose.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF DECISIONS BY CAPTE
Following all decisions, including decisions to place a program on warning, probation or show cause, or
to deny candidacy, withdraw candidacy, withhold accreditation, or withdraw accreditation, the
Accreditation Staff will, within 24 hours of notifying the programs and institutions of the decisions,
provide notice to the public by placing notice of the decisions on its web site.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF REASONS FOR DECISIONS
Pursuant to expectations of the Council for Higher Education Accreditation, CAPTE provides public
notice of the reasons for its decisions to grant candidacy, or grant or reaffirm accreditation. These notices
are in addition to the notices of reasons for probation and for final adverse actions as required by the US
Department of Education. The front page of this Summary of Action will be used for this purpose.

RESPONSIBILITY TO REPORT CHANGE(S)
The institution and program are responsible for notifying CAPTE of all reportable changes in the program
prior to implementation. Unexpected changes are to be reported immediately after they occur.
Reportable changes, some of which may require pre-approval, are described in Part 9 of CAPTE’s Rules
of Practice and Procedure (http://www.capteonline.org/AccreditationHandbook/). It is the program’s
responsibility to be familiar with these expectations and to provide notification of program changes
as required.
Commission’s Findings:

The Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education judged the program to be in compliance with the intent of all the Evaluative Criteria for Accreditation of Education Programs for the Preparation of Physical Therapist Assistants. The Commission appreciates the thorough and professional manner in which these obligations have been addressed.