

INPTRA
Members' Responses
2016 Membership Survey

International Network of
Physiotherapy Regulatory Authorities

Reminder

- Due to the population size, the survey results are not statistically valid.

Demographics

- 20 respondents from
 - USA = 11 respondents
 - Canada = 4 respondents
 - Australia = 2 respondents
 - Philippines = 2 respondents
 - UK = 1 respondent

Demographics (continued)

10 = National Authorities & Associations

6 = Jurisdiction Regulatory Authorities

1 = Partner/Affiliate

4 = Individuals

Status of Regulatory System

19 = Regulatory system well established

Motivation to join

- Affiliation with Canadian Alliance of Physiotherapy Regulators, US Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy, US Foreign Credentialing Commission on Physical Therapy, etc.
- Begin to understand new trends, differences, similarities, best practices & networking to improve our own individual organization
- Platform to develop, discuss & share ideas to build international consensus on a range of issues
- Interest in consistency & development of physiotherapy regulation, education
- Information sharing, collaboration & learning

What is your interest in international physiotherapy regulation?

- Public protection not defined by borders
- Global economy, we can't be isolated
- Evidence based & risk based regulation
- Receive a great number of internationally educated physiotherapists & learning helps in understanding registrants
- Explore different models (sharing), benchmarking
- Share struggles & establish relationships to build knowledge & trust
- Advance the profession & move towards more harmonized competencies & standards

Issues your organization views as a priority

%	Priority Issue
84%	Continuing competence assurance
84%	Licensure/registration of international physiotherapists
79%	Workforce mobility
63%	Issues of discipline & complaints against physiotherapists
53%	Improving regulatory systems
53%	Licensure/registration renewal
47%	Communicating with physiotherapists
37%	Accreditation of physiotherapy education
26%	Engagement with patients & patient groups
2%	Other: access, consistency in regulatory policies

Issues most important to you personally

- Mobility: ability to practice internationally
- Remediation
- Eliminate boundaries to care
- Use of data & evidence to guide regulatory practice & effectiveness
- Education & credentialing of international PTs
- Competence
- Disciplinary actions & violations
- Understanding professional obligations
- Cost of regulation

INPTRA webcasts viewed

%	Topic
71%	2015 Scope of Practice: Australia & New Zealand
59%	2015 Telehealth
47%	2014 Physiotherapy in the Philippines & New Zealand
41%	2013 Direct access to physiotherapy around the world
41%	2014 Mobility of Physiotherapy in Europe
35%	2013 Physiotherapy Prescribing Rights in the UK
35%	2015 Scope of Practice: Canada, UK & US
12%	2013 Quebec-France Accord

Webcast value

Question	Fully Agree	Some what Agree	Neutral
Webcast are informative & help understand PT regulatory issues	84%	5%	11%
Webcast give me access to valuable regulatory information	78%	11%	11%
Webcast frequency meets my needs	68%	16%	16%
Webcast cover sufficient range of relevant topics for regulatory community	61%	28%	11%

Reasons for not attending webcasts

- Time zone
- Time constraints
- Viewed the recorded version

INPTRA meetings attended

%	Meetings
93%	2015 Singapore
29%	2011 Amsterdam
14%	2007 Vancouver

Plan on attending 2017 INPTRA meeting in Cape Town, South Africa?

%	
53%	Not Sure
32%	Yes
16%	No

Reasons for “not sure:”

Depends on funding, budget approval

Cost maybe prohibitive

Mode of presentation preferred

%	Mode
76%	Webcasts
65%	News articles
53%	White papers
53%	Video presentations
35%	In-person presentations
6%	Other (Podcasts, so I can download and listen on many devices)

Frequency of visiting website

	% and raw number
Never	5% (1)
A few times per month	26% (5)
A few times per year	68% (13)

INPTRA website value

Statement	Fully Agree	Some What Agree	Neutral
Country profiles (Regulatory Models) is informative	65%	29%	6%
Regulatory Resources page is valuable	59%	29%	12%
List of contact info of regulatory experts on a variety of topics is valuable	56%	28%	11%
Information on standards & scope of practice is informative	53%	41%	6%

Information sought on the INPTRA website

- Just curiosity
- Webinar & info about members
- Registration/licensing standards
- Education standards
- Website changes
- Country Profiles & recorded webinars

What would increase your use of the website?

- Ease of finding people I can collaborate with
- Singapore attendees directory
- More country regulatory standards, codes & guidelines
- Frequent notices from INPTRA suggesting we check out certain topics
- More dynamic content & news
- Jurisdiction laws regarding licensure/registration
- Results of this survey

Suggestions for collaboration & interaction opportunities

- Move from “what” stage to “now what”
- Network listing
- Message Board, subject to costs of the system
- Comprehensive list of country profiles
- Short updates profiling national, provincial regulatory initiatives
- Possibly regional groups

Critical things you want to know about PT regulation

- Scope of practice
- Relationship of ethics & regulation by country
- Definition of “professionalism”
- Multi-professional approaches, risk based regulation, focus on harm prevention
- Telehealth & regulatory issues successfully addressed
- Regulatory model of countries (regulated or not)
- Links to country’s regulatory websites
- Continuous professional development evidence, revalidation, re-entry timing
- Innovation

Topics you are interested in reading or hearing about

- Mobility
- Continuing competence
- Educational differences related to scope of practice
- Disciplinary issues
- Telehealth
- Acupuncture
- Effectiveness of regulation, trends/challenges
- Practice policies outside the Philippines

What can INPTRA do for you or your country to meet regulatory goals?

- Keep developing lines of communications worldwide.
- Provide education through webinars.
- Compare models used for regulation.
- Inform on issues affecting regulation.

What valuable service could INPTRA offer to you or your country?

- Begin to figure out current workforce and projected needs internationally
- Able to consult with our counterparts
- Keep communication lines open between members
- International networking
- Continue with conferences & webinars

What topics would you like more information on?

Statement	%	#
Overlap of education, accreditation & regulation	76%	13
Continuous professional development	71%	12
Support personnel (PTAs, aids or technicians)	71%	12
Ethics & standards of practice	53%	9
Advanced practice	53%	9
Telehealth	53%	9
Disciplinary guidelines & processes	47%	8
Mentorship programs	12%	2
Other (Prescribing)	18%	3

Other Feedback

- Make the mission known outside the regulatory world into the professional world; present at WCPT.