

California Physical Therapy Association

# Modernization of CA PT Practice Act AB 2497 Updates



**May 1**

## Latest Updates

[Assembly Bill 2497](#) authored by Asm. Natasha Johnson (R-Riverside) was recently amended to include the following changes in the California PT Practice Act:

- Initiate physical therapy treatment beyond 12 visits or 45 days
- Use musculoskeletal ultrasound in the evaluation and examination of patients
- Perform tissue penetration for the purpose of treating the neuromuscular system
- Perform as part of the primary care team
- Supervise up to three physical therapist assistants at one time



## Next Steps for AB 2497

The California State Assembly Appropriations Committee will hear [Assembly Bill 2497](#) within the next two weeks. **We are asking for phone calls, letters, and everyone to show up in support!**

## Action Items for THIS WEEK

- CPTA is asking EVERY PT, PTA and student to send a letter to YOUR California State Assemblymember and ask for their support ([Click Here](#))
- **Call** every Assembly Appropriations Committee member and ask for their support ([Click Here for Phone Numbers](#))
- **Ask** your patients to join the CPTA Advocacy Campaign ([Click Here](#))
- [Sign the AB 2497 Petition](#)
- **Share** this alert with your colleagues

## Overview of the Bill

Physical therapy education is constantly being updated with the most recent research, YET the California Physical Therapy Practice Act has not been modernized to meet the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education standards since 1985.

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