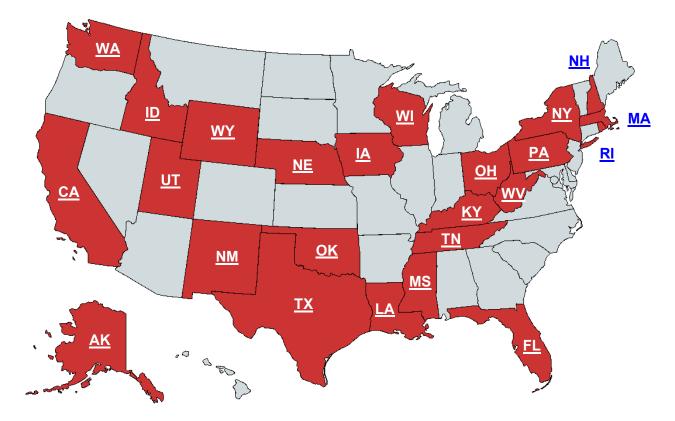


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Arizona (AZ)	Maine (ME)	<u>Oklahoma (OK)</u>
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X = New actions.

Regulation	Summary	Latest Action
AK 5869 2024 Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development	Occupational Licensing Functions Updating regulations relating to general occupational licensing functions. AOTA Summary: Adopted rule changes applicable to all licensing boards, including the OT & PT Board requiring a licensee to submit changes to their physical, mailing, or email address either in writing or via state website MyAlaska, clarifying how a filed date for a document submitted to a licensing board is determined, and repealing a regulation regarding courtesy licenses. Regulation goes into effect on December 22, 2024.	11/22/2024: · Adopted Rule Filing Effective Date: 12/22/2024 Reg Source: Alaska Online Public Notice 11/25/2024 · Rule Adoption Effective Date: 12/22/2024 Reg Source: Alaska Online Public Notice 11/25/2024
CA 28841 2024 Department of Insurance	Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Parity Amends rules to comply with recently enacted statute to set forth requirements for MHSUD benefits coverage, including basic health care services and behavioral health crisis services, stablish requirements for health insurer utilization review of MHSUD benefits, as well as set forth requirements for the provision of utilization review criteria and the training of utilization review staff, and clarify the required qualifications for MHSUD utilization reviewers to ensure that these reviewers have the proper training and experience in the field of behavioral health care that is under review. AOTA Summary: Proposed rules rewrite a section of regulations addressing mental health parity to require mental and substance use disorder (MHSUD) parity in health insurance, including setting forth MHSUD benefits, setting forth requirements for the provision of utilization review criteria and the training of utilization review staff, requiring health insurers to arrange for out-of-network care when medically necessary care is unavailable from a network provider under certain circumstances, and requiring certain disclosures to appear in health insurance policies for compliance with newly enacted statutes. The OT-specific impact is that OTs are included in the definition of health care provider under the new rules, and OT is included as a basic service that an insurer must cover as a medically necessary part of its benefits for preventing, diagnosing, and treating mental health conditions and substance use disorders, as well as for home health care services, and for behavioral health treatment for pervasive developmental disorder or autism spectrum disorder. Written comments are due on July 10, 2024.	05/28/2024: • Proposed Rule Reg Source: Department of Insurance 05/28/2024

FL 50308 2023 Department of Health/Board of Occupational Therapy	Supervised Fieldwork Experience Defines requirements for supervised fieldwork experience where no OT services exist. AOTA Summary: Proposal sets supervision standards for students completing fieldwork in settings where no OT services exist. As of October 14, 2024, this proposal has been withdrawn.	10/14/2024: · Withdrawn Reg Source: Vol. 50, Issue 201, Florida Administrative Register 10/14/2024 p.3770
X FL 51129 2024 Department of Health/Board of Occupational Therapy	Admission by Endorsement Reflects the new requirements in s. 456.0145, F.S., regarding licensure by endorsement and requires application to the Department of Health using a new form incorporated in the rule titled Mobile Opportunity by Interstate Licensure Endorsement (MOBILE). AOTA Summary: Revises the Board's application by endorsement rule to require applicants for licensure by endorsement to use the MOBILE Act application and requiring such applicants to meet the statutory requirements for licensure by endorsement as enacted by the MOBILE Act. Proposal has been adopted and goes into effect on December 16, 2024.	11/26/2024: • Rule Adoption Effective Date: 12/16/2024 Reg Source: Vol. 50, Issue 234, Florida Administrative Register 12/03/2024
X FL 51130 2024 Department of Health/Board of Occupational Therapy	Fees; Application Updates the licensure by examination application to remove outdated provisions related to endorsement that were repealed by legislation in SB 1600. AOTA Summary: Amendment to rules related to initial application for a license that clarify that the \$100 application fee applies to applicants for licensure by application. Proposal has been adopted and goes into effect on December 16, 2024.	11/26/2024: · Rule Adoption Effective Date: 12/16/2024 Reg Source: Vol. 50, Issue 234, Florida Administrative Register 12/03/2024
X FL 51131 2024 Department of Health/Board of Occupational Therapy	 National Certification Establishes a recognize a national certification for licensure by endorsement. AOTA Summary: New regulation stating that, for applications for licensure by endorsement pursuant to the MOBILE Act, the Board recognizes certification by NBCOT as meeting the requirements under the law. Proposal has been adopted and goes into effect on December 16, 2024. 	11/26/2024: · Rule Adoption Effective Date: 12/16/2024 Reg Source: Vol. 50, Issue 234, Florida Administrative Register 12/03/2024
IA 12077 2024 Educational Examiners Board	Statements of Professional Recognition Provides procedures for the issuance of statements of professional recognition. AOTA Summary: Proposed rule repeals existing chapter on statements of professional recognition and replaces it with a new chapter. No substantive changes are being proposed, but the new chapter consolidates several rules into one rule. OTs are still eligible for a statement of professional recognition to provide OT services to students up to age 21 and provided the OT is licensed by DIAL. Comment deadline is December 2, 2024.	10/30/2024: • Proposed Rule Comment Deadline: 12/02/2024 Reg Source: Vol. XLVII, No. 8, Iowa Administrative Bulletin 10/30/2024 pp.4522-4524

IA 12167 2024 Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing	Continuing Education for Occupational Therapists Sets forth continuing education and training requirements for occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants. AOTA Summary: Amends current rule to allow for an OT or OTA to carry forward up to 50% of the required hours of CE to the next biennium as a result of legislation passed earlier in 2024. OTs may carry forward up to 15 hours and OTAs up to 7.5. Currently, unless a licensee is a new licensee, CE cannot be carried over into the next licensing biennium. Comment deadline is November 20, 2024.	10/30/2024: • No published proposal Reg Source: Vol. XLVII, No. 8, Iowa Administrative Bulletin 10/30/2024 • Regulatory Analysis Comment Deadline: 11/20/2024 Reg Source: Vol. XLVII, No. 8, Iowa Administrative Bulletin 10/30/2024 pp.4057-4060
ID 11254 2023 Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses	Licensure of Occupational Therapists and Assistants Provides a comprehensive review of the chapter by collaborating with the public to streamline or simplify the language. AOTA Summary: General revision of the occupational therapy board regulations in compliance with a Governor's Executive Order on Zero-Based Regulation. As of November 1, proposal is pending legislative approval.	11/01/2023: • Pending Legislative Review Reg Source: Vol. 23-11, Idaho Administrative Bulletin 11/01/2023 p.31
ID 11386 2024 Department of Health and Welfare	Medicaid Basic Plan Benefits Intends to perform a comprehensive review of this chapter by collaborating with the public to streamline or simplify this rule language. AOTA Summary: Revision of rules related to Medicaid Basic Plan Benefits in accordance with Governor's Zero- Based Regulation initiative. As of November 6, 2024, proposal is pending review by the state legislature.	10/15/2024: · Pending Legislative Review Reg Source: Vol. 24-11, Idaho Administrative Bulletin 11/06/2024
KY 25650 2024 Public Protection Cabinet/Office of Occupations and Professions/Board of Licensure for Occupational Therapy	Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact Incorporates by reference the rules implemented by the Occupational Therapy Compact Commission. AOTA Summary: Permanent rule that incorporates by reference the OT Compact Rule on Definitions and Data System Reporting Requirements. Previously these rules were incorporated by reference through an emergency rule which was adopted as of July, 2024. Permanent rule was adopted on November 5, 2024.	11/05/2024: • Rule Adoption Effective Date: 09/25/2024 Reg Source: Legislative Research Commission 11/05/2024
LA 17270 2024 Department of Insurance/Office of Commissioner	Emergency Rule 49 Declares a State of Emergency in the State on September 9, 2024, determining that a disaster or emergency has occurred or is imminent. AOTA Summary: Adopted emergency rule as a result of Hurricane Francine requiring health insurers to waive any coverage limitations restricting telemedicine access to providers included within a plan's telemedicine network, requiring health insurers to waive any requirement that the patient and provider have a prior relationship in order to have services delivered through telemedicine, requiring insurers to cover mental health services provided by	09/20/2024: • No published proposal Reg Source: Vol. 50, No. 9, Louisiana Register 09/20/2024 • Emergency Rule Adoption Effective Date: 09/09/2024 Expiration Date:

	telemedicine consultation to the same extent the services would be covered if provided in-person (unless the service cannot be appropriately provided remotely), and requiring insurers to waive any requirement limiting coverage to provider-to-provider consultations only and to cover telemedicine consultations between a patient and provider to the same extent the same services would be covered if provided in person. Emergency rules are in effect until November 11, 2024 unless rescinded sooner.	01/07/2025 Reg Source: Vol. 50, No. 9, Louisiana Register 09/20/2024 pp.1235-1239
X MA 12145 2024 Executive Office of Health and Human Services	Rates for Restorative Services This regulation intends to ensure payments are consistent with efficiency, economy, and quality of care and satisfy the requirements of M.G.L. 118E, sections 13C and 13D. AOTA Summary: Proposed Medicaid revision to "restorative services" codes including adding caregiver training codes 97550, 97551, and 97552. Comment deadline is December 12, 2024.,	12/05/2024: • Proposed Rule Reg Source: Executive Office of Health and Human Services 12/05/2024
MS 17642 2024 Department of Mental Health	CCBHC Certification Criteria Establishes immediately needed criteria for DMH's certification of eligible agencies as CCBHCs in Mississippi. AOTA Summary: Temporary rules adopted to establish eligibility criteria for CCBHCs. OTs are among the list of suggested staff who can provide services in the CCBHC. This temporary rule has been extended, as of May 21, 2024.	05/21/2024: • Temporary Rule Extension Effective Date: 05/23/2024 Reg Source: Mississippi Administrative Bulletin 05/22/2024
MS 17768 2024 Department of Mental Health	DMH Operational Standards Defines DMH Certification Requirements for community service providers and adds community-based services. AOTA Summary: Permanent rule codifying Dept. of Mental Health certification requirements for providers of mental health, intellectual/developmental disabilities, and substance use community services. OT practitioners are included as providers of services under Programs of Assertive Community treatment (PACT). OTs are suggested providers who can work in a CCBHC. Regulation became effective November 1, 2024.	10/02/2024: • Rule Adoption Effective Date: 11/01/2024 Reg Source: Mississippi Administrative Bulletin 10/02/2024
X MS 17868 2024 Department of Health	Occupational Therapists and Assistants Adds telehealth guidelines; updates continuing education requirements and supervision requirements; provides for administrative updates. AOTA Summary: Revision of occupational therapy regulations including adopting the definition of "practice of occupational therapy" from the 2022 AOTA Model Practice Act, adding telehealth practice standards, providing that limited permits are in effect for 90 days or until the exam score is made public, requiring 13 of the required total of 20 continuing education contact hours be completed via live face-to-face training, allowing 7 of the remaining hours to be non-live face-to-face training (including home study courses, video, internet, non-live webinars, etc.), requiring 2 hours of ethics be completed in either live face-to-face training or non-live training, allowing an OT supervising an OTA to	11/15/2024: • Proposed Rule Comment Deadline: 12/10/2024 Reg Source: Mississippi Administrative Bulletin 11/15/2024

	provide either direct supervision or indirect supervision based on the needs of the patient/client and the skill level of the OTA, requiring the OT to be accessible by telecommunications to the OTA daily while treating patients, adding supervision standards for an OT supervising OTAs, prohibiting an OT from supervising no more than 2 OTAs except in school settings or settings where maintenance or tertiary type services are provided, and repealing certain fees. Comment deadline is December 10, 2024.	
NE 3196 2024 Department of Health and Human Services	Telehealth Amends and adds rules to remove requirements for telehealth services for physical and behavioral health services and incorporate the relevant portions to a proposed new regulatory chapter Title 471 NAC 47; correct punctuation; and renumber the regulatory chapter. AOTA Summary: Repeals existing regulations related to telehealth services for physical and behavioral health services and moves them to a new regulations chapter, Title 471, Chapter 47. Comment deadline is March 4, 2024.	01/22/2024: • Proposed Rule Notice Comment Deadline: 03/04/2024 Reg Source: Secretary of State, Regulations Online 02/06/2024 • Proposed Rule Reg Source: Secretary of State, Regulations Online 02/06/2024
NH 10462 2022 Office of Licensed Allied Health Professionals	Fees To clarify the fee table is for all the professions covered by the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification. AOTA Summary: Rule proposal increases the fees relating to occupational therapy licensees for initial licensure, initial certification, license renewal, and certification renewal. Other fees are proposed for elimination, including application fees, replacement of an initial license or certificate, replacement of a pocket card, late fees for renewal of a license or certification, written verification of licensure or certification status, and licensee or certificant list. As of June 12, 2023, regulation has been submitted to the state legislature for approval.	Reg Source:
X NH 10990 2024 Office of Licensed Allied Health Professionals/Governing Board of Occupational Therapists	Rules of Practice and Procedure This rulemaking includes the investigation and receipt of misconduct complaints, the conduct of adjudicative and non- adjudicative proceedings, and the waiver of substantive and procedural rules. AOTA Summary: Amending Occ 200 to replace a reference to Ahp 200 with Plc 200, since the Office of Allied Health Professionals was eliminated and making other minor changes. Proposal has been adopted and went into effect on October 1, 2024.	11/20/2024: • Rule Adoption Effective Date: 10/01/2024 Reg Source: Office of Legislative Services/Division of Administrative Rules 11/20/2024
NM 7824 2024 Human Services Department/Medical Assistance Division	Specialized Behavioral Health Provider Reflects that providers and practitioners render services within their respective practice board's scope of practice or licensing agency's requirements. AOTA Summary: Proposal adds occupational therapists licensed by the state occupational therapy board to the list of providers eligible to be reimbursed directly for providing	06/25/2024: · Proposed Rule Notice Comment Deadline: 07/26/2024 Reg Source: Vol. XXXV, No. 12,

	Medical Assistance Division (Medicaid) covered behavioral health services. The OT must be facilitating occupational performance and managing an individual's mental health functioning and performance in accordance with the OT practice act. A public hearing will be held on July 26 to receive testimony, which is also the deadline for submission of written comments.	New Mexico Register 06/25/2024 • Proposed Rule Comment Deadline: 07/26/2024 Reg Source: Human Services Department/Medical Assistance Division 06/25/2024
X NY 32297 2024 Workers' Compensation Board	Physical/Occupational Therapy Assistants Provides guidance about treatment by PT/OT assistants and implement amendment to section 13-b of the Workers Compensation Law. AOTA Summary: Adopted emergency rule allows OTAs and PTAs to provide worker's compensation services under direct supervision of an OT or PT, respectively. Effective date is October 27, 2024.	10/24/2024: • Proposed Rule Comment Deadline: 01/12/2025 Reg Source: Vol. XLVI, Issue 46, New York State Register 11/13/2024 pp.20- 22 • Emergency Rule Adoption Effective Date: 10/27/2024 Expiration Date: 01/21/2025 Reg Source: Vol. XLVI, Issue 46, New York State Register 11/13/2024 pp.20- 22
OH 27108 2024 Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Athletic Trainers Board	Occupational, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainer Pertains to military provisions, occupational therapy practice defined, roles and responsibilities, delegation, supervision, telehealth, code of ethical conduct, required credential to indicate licensure or student status, applications for initial license, biennial renewal of licensure, continuing education, waivers for continuing education, reinstatement of license, physical therapy compact privileges. AOTA Summary: Moves several existing occupational therapy-related rules to new occupational therapy-specific chapter without substantive changes, except for: new definition of "capstone" is added to the OT definitions, new requirement for a supervising OT and/or OTA to document supervision, either in the client record, or separately like in a log, adding "OT" and "OTA" to the required credentials to indicate licensure. Proposal also adopts a rule on military provisions that pertains to all professions and reorganizes several rules related to physical therapy providers, athletic trainers, ands orthotists and prosthetists. Proposal has been adopted and goes into effect on October 11, 2024.	10/23/2024: · Partial Rule Adoption 4755:4-1- 08, -63-14 Effective Date: 11/02/2024 Reg Source: Register of Ohio Daily Filings 10/23/2024

OH 27401 2024 Department of Developmental Disabilities	 Home and Community-Based Services Waivers Relates to home and community-based services waivers assistive technology under the individual options, level one, and self-empowered life funding waivers. AOTA Summary: Amends rules related to assistive technology and provider qualifications under certain HCBS waivers. A public hearing to receive testimony on the proposed changes has been scheduled for November 19, 2024. 	10/17/2024: • Revised Filing - Changes Proposed Reg Source: Register of Ohio Daily Filings 10/17/2024 • Revised Filing - Changes Proposed Reg Source: Register of Ohio Daily Filings 10/17/2024
X OK 21628 2024 Health Care Authority	Medical Providers Fee for Service "This rule revisions update outdated applied behavioral analysis (ABA) policies to ensure that services meet ainsurers from denying Medicaid members' claims solely due to the lastandard level of quality for all applicable members. "e state plan or waivers. AOTA Summary: Announcement of Medicaid's intent to amend rules relating to coverage of applied behavior analysis services.	11/08/2024: · Notice of Rulemaking Intent Reg Source: Vol. 42, No. 6, Oklahoma Register 12/02/2024
X OK 21697 2024 Health Care Authority	Medical Providers-Fee for Service Revisions update outdated applied behavioral analysis (ABA) policies to ensure that services meet a standard level of quality for all applicable members.	10/25/2024: • No published proposal Reg Source: Vol. 42, No. 6, Oklahoma Register 12/02/2024 • Emergency Rule Adoption Reg Source: Vol. 42, No. 6, Oklahoma Register 12/02/2024
PA 6516 2022 Department of State/Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs	Consideration of Criminal Convictions The Acting Commissioner proposes to amend B'b43b.201 to codify the \$45 fee provided in 63 Pa.C.S. Section b3115(3). This fee is charged to each individual petitioning for a preliminary determination as to whether the individual's criminal history could be grounds for a particular board or commission to deny licensure. The Acting Commissioner and the boards and commissions have found this fee to be adequate to cover the average costs related to processing a petition for a preliminary determination. AOTA Summary: This rule proposal codifies the \$45 fee charged to individuals by licensing boards for a preliminary determination of whether or not their criminal record would automatically disqualify the petitioner from licensure. The proposal also adds a new section of regulation that establishes the predetermination process and a Board-by- Board list of crimes that are automatically disqualifying because the OT Board has determined them to be directly related to the profession of occupational therapy. This	10/18/2024: • Rule Adoption Effective Date: 10/19/2024 Reg Source: Vol. 54, No. 42, Pennsylvania Bulletin 10/19/2024

	regulation was initially proposed in 2022, then withdrawn, and reproposed but disapproved by the IRRC. The regulation was proposed a third time on June 3, 2024 and was approved on June 20, 2024. The current proposal includes the \$45 fee for each preliminary determination and a list of crimes (or a "schedule of offenses") that are considered directly relating to a necessary duty or responsibility of the profession and removes a number of crimes currently listed as directly related to the profession because they are duplicative of other regulatory provisions that currently prohibit a licensing board from issuing a license to someone convicted of such a crime. As of October 18, the proposal has been adopted and went into effect on October 19.	
RI 9824 2024 Executive Office of Health and Human Services	 Home and Community-Based Services Revisions to comply with the person-centered planning and conflict-free case management requirements for all Medicaid home and community-based services (HCBS) under federal regulations (42 C.F.R. Part 441). This update also includes a more detailed description of EOHHS' ongoing monitoring process for compliance with the federal HCBS settings requirements. AOTA Summary: Proposed amendments to Medicaid HCBS rules regarding Long Term Services and Supports as a result of changes to federal regulations. Occupational therapy is still a part of the day treatment and supports services and habilitation services. Comment deadline is December 6, 2024. 	11/06/2024: • Proposed Rule Comment Deadline: 12/06/2024 Reg Source: Secretary of State Rules Database 11/06/2024
X TN 13176 2024 Department of Health/Bureau of Health Licensure and Regulation/Division of Health Related Boards	General Rules and Regulations Creates a rule regarding portability and recognition of professional licenses for servicemembers and their spouses. AOTA Summary: New rule requiring the Department of Health to allow members of the armed forces or their spouses who hold a covered license in another state to obtain a Tennessee license when certain criteria are met. If such criteria are met, Tennessee will recognize the license for the duration of the member's valid military orders requiring the member to relocate to Tennessee. A covered license is a professional license that 1) is in good standing with the authority that issued the license, 2) the service member or spouse has actively used at some point during the 2 years immediately preceding relocation to Tennessee, 3) pertains to a health-related profession recognized under Tennessee law, and 4) is not a multistate compact license recognized under Tennessee law. To have a license recognized under these rules, the service member must have relocated to Tennessee and submit certain documentation to the appropriate Tennessee Health Related Board, submit to any and all investigative processes of the appropriate Tennessee Health Related Board, and read all statutes and rules of the appropriate Tennessee Health Related Board. Proposal also requires a service member to follow the scope of practice of the appropriate Tennessee Health Related Board if the scope of practice in the state that	Rules and Regulations 11/20/2024

	issued the covered license is broader than that of Tennessee. During the first year that a covered license is recognized by Tennessee, the servicemember may use compliance with the issuing state's CE requirements to satisfy the appropriate Tennessee Health Related Board's CE requirements, comply with the appropriate Tennessee Health Related Board's Ce requirements, or submit proof of any qualifying CE hours for the issuing state which shall be credited per hour and then obtain the remaining CE hours under the appropriate Tennessee Health Related Board's requirements. The total number of CE required is the total number of hours required by the appropriate Tennessee Health Related Board.	
TX 45251 2024 Executive Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners	Fees Requires a state agency to review and consider its rules for readoption, readoption with amendments, or repeal every four years. AOTA Summary: Announcement of review of rules adopted by the Executive Council of Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Examiners in accordance with statute, which requires a state agency to review and consider its rules for readoption, readoption with amendment, or repeal every 4 years. Comments due within 30 days.	05/10/2024: • Readopted Rule Reg Source: Vol. 49, Issue 21, Texas Register 05/24/2024 p.3821
TX 45255 2024 Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners	Statutory Authority Reviews rules concerning Statutory Authority. AOTA Summary: Announcement of Board of Occupational Therapy intent to review certain chapters of the Texas Administrative Code in accordance with statute which requires a state agency to review and consider its rules for readoption, readoption with amendments, or repeal every four years. As of May 6, 2024, the Board intends to readopt all rules chapters.	05/06/2024: · Readopted Rule Reg Source: Vol. 49, Issue 20, Texas Register 05/17/2024 p.3592
UT 102528 2023 Department of Commerce/Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing	Occupational Therapy Practice Act Rule Provides a mechanism to inform potential licensees of the requirements for licensure. AOTA Summary: Announcement of five-year review of the regulations of the Utah Board of Occupational Therapy.	09/22/2023: • No published proposal Reg Source: Vol. 2023, No. 20, Utah State Bulletin 10/15/2023 • 5 Year Notice of Review and Statement of Continuation Effective Date: 09/25/2023 Reg Source: Vol. 2023, No. 20, Utah State Bulletin 10/15/2023 pp.243- 244
UT 102602 2023 Department of Health	Telehealth Updates and implements by rule the current telehealth policy, including the reimbursement provision for audio-only	10/30/2023: · Proposed Rule Comment Deadline:

and Human Services/Integrated Healthcare	telehealth. AOTA Summary: Amends current Medicaid rules regarding coverage of telehealth services to define "audio-only", redefine "telehealth" to include supervision, and to redefine and add other terms, to add requirements of synchronous telehealth services and a list of audio-only synchronous services, and to repeal a regulation on limitations of telehealth services coverage. Comment deadline is December 15, 2023.	12/15/2023 Reg Source: Vol. 2023, No. 22, Utah State Bulletin 11/15/2023 pp.119- 121
WA 44195 2024 Department of Health/Occupational Therapy Practice Board	Streamlining Occupational Therapy Licensure This rule updates to reduce barriers to enter and remain in the occupational therapy (OT) workforce and streamline and shorten the credentialing process. This also is considering amendments to the chapter to address concerns raised by interested parties. AOTA Summary: Proposal repeals the requirement to complete the Board's online jurisprudence exam for applicants for an OT or OTA license, for graduates of a US military OTA course that is substantially equivalent to a program accredited by ACOTE, for individuals seeking re- entry to the profession, and for individuals seeking to reactivate an inactive license; reducing the required amount of continuing education hours from 30 to 24 for renewal of a license, for reinstatement of an expired license, and for reactivation of an inactive license; amending the requirements for applicants who are already licensed in another state for at least 2 years to the submission of current licensure, and for applicants licensed less than 2 years submission of current state licensure and proof of having passed the NBCOT exam. Proposal has been adopted and goes into effect on July 1, 2025.	08/22/2024: • Proposed Rule WAC 246-847-051 thru -170 (non seq) Comment Deadline: 10/11/2024 Reg Source: Vol. 24, Issue 18, Washington State Register 09/18/2024
WA 44375 2024 Department of Health/Occupational Therapy Practice Board	Occupational Therapy Temporary Permits and Fees Updates This rule creates requirements for issuing a temporary permit to military spouses and requires that a temporary permit be issued to a military spouse for no less than 180 days. This also establishes a fee to cover the cost of the temporary permit. AOTA Summary: Proposed rule extending the amount of time a temporary practice permit is in effect for from 90 to 180 days and adding a \$50 fee for a temporary practice permit. Regulation has been adopted and goes into effect on July 1, 2025.	08/26/2024: • Proposed Rule WAC 246-847-117, -990 Comment Deadline: 10/11/2024 Reg Source: Vol. 24, Issue 17, Washington State Register 09/04/2024
WA 44940 2024 Health Care Authority	Outpatient Rehabilitation The health care authority (agency) is modifying WAC 182- 545-200 to expand payment criteria for occupational therapy. During this review, the agency may identify additional related changes that are required to improve clarity or update policy. AOTA Summary: Proposed rule amendment to change the maximum age for which Medicaid will cover outpatient rehabilitation services for children with disabilities from age two or younger to age six or younger.	10/04/2024: • Proposed Rule WAC 182-545-200 Comment Deadline: 11/26/2024 Reg Source: Vol. 24, Issue 21, Washington State Register 11/06/2024

WI 23335 2022 Department of Safety and Professional Services/Medical Examining Board/Occupational Therapists Affiliated Credentialing Board	Implementation of the Occupational Therapy Licensure Implements the Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact. AOTA Summary: Notice that proposed rule text has been submitted to the Legislative Council Clearinghouse and of a public hearing to be held on September 17, 2024. Proposal adds a regulation requiring a licensee seeking to obtain a compact privilege to submit to the board a completed application, the required fee, and evidence of successful completion of the required exam. Other regulations referencing licensure are amended to include a compact privilege.	06/24/2024: • Legislative Council Clearinghouse Rule Comment Deadline: 09/17/2024 Reg Source: No. 822, Wisconsin Administrative Register 06/24/2024 • Rule-Making Notice Comment Deadline: 09/17/2024 Reg Source: No. 822, Wisconsin Administrative Register 06/24/2024 • Proposed Rule Reg Source: No. 822, Wisconsin Administrative Register 06/24/2024
WV 8088 2024 Board of Occupational Therapy	Consideration of Prior Criminal Convictions Implements agency approval of rule concerning Consideration of Prior Criminal Convictions in Initial Licensure Determinations. AOTA Summary: Notice of sunset extension of rule 1) prohibiting the Board from disqualifying someone from licensure if a period of five years has elapsed from the date of conviction or the date of release from incarceration, whichever is later, if the individual has not been convicted of any other crime during the period of time following the disqualifying offense, and the conviction was not for an offense of a violent or sexual nature; and 2) authorizing an individual who has never applied to the Board for a license and who has a criminal record to petition the board for a determination of whether the individuals criminal record will disqualify the individual from obtaining a license. Proposal was adopted by the Secretary of State and sunsets July 1, 2025.	08/28/2024: • Legislative Rule- Making Review Committee Action - Modified and Approved Reg Source: Secretary of State Online Data Services 08/28/2024
WV 8120 2024 Board of Occupational Therapy	Competency Standards Implements amendments to rule concerning Competency Standards for Advanced Practice by Occupational Therapists and Occupational Therapy Assistants. AOTA Summary: Adds a new regulation requiring training before an OT or OTA may use advanced practice OT techniques and/or modalities, requiring such training to be documented and obtained through educational programs that include a method of evaluation and testing of the knowledge of the OT or OTA including but not limited to	08/28/2024: • Legislative Rule- Making Review Committee Action - Modified and Approved Reg Source: Secretary of State Online Data

	accredited educational programs, specific certification as endorsed by AOTA, its successor, or the Board, a CE course which includes theory, indications, contra-indications, and applications, requiring that when an OT delegates such treatment to an OTA both shall comply with existing supervision requirements and assure their use is based on service competency, and requiring an OTA seeking to provide advanced treatment techniques and/or modalities to do so under general supervision of an OT who is trained in the advanced treatment and/or modality.	Services 08/28/2024
WV 8121 2024 Board of Occupational Therapy	 health Practice; Requirements; Definitions Implements amendments to rule concerning health Practice; Requirements; Definitions. AOTA Summary: Adds references to holders of a compact privilege to the definition of "occupational therapist" and occupational therapist assistant" and to the regulation regarding licensure which requires an OT or OTA who practices telehealth to be licensed in West Virginia. 	08/28/2024: • Legislative Rule- Making Review Committee Action - Modified and Approved Reg Source: Secretary of State Online Data Services 08/28/2024
WY 7270 2024 Department of Health/Division of Healthcare Financing	Covered Services Implements the specified modified rule; establishes the scope of covered services, except as otherwise specified by the State Department of Health, which applies to all clients and providers. AOTA Summary: Update to Medicaid regulations to add various services as covered services, including DME equipment and supplies, and school-based services. OT, PT, and speech services must be prescribed by a physician, physician assistant. advanced practice registered nurse, or other practitioner of the healing arts and re-certified by the same every 180 days. Comment deadline is November 7, 2024.	09/17/2024: • Notice of Intent to Adopt Comment Deadline: 11/07/2024 Reg Source: Secretary of State Rules and Regulations Database 09/17/2024 • Proposed Rule Comment Deadline: 11/07/2024 Reg Source: Department of Health/Division of Healthcare Financing 09/17/2024