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From: Board of Physical Therapy

To: irtstein

Sent: Tuesday, May 04, 2010 8:37 AM

Subject: RE: Dry Needling and Guidance Document 112-9

After review with the Executive Director, Lisa Hahn, on the regulation and Guidance Document 112-9 the following response was received. The regulations do not address specific treatments or scope of practice. The Guidance document 112-9 was created on 2/15/2008 to address the issue of Dry Needling. It is a reference document and not part of the regulations. When created, the course that involves practice between level 1 and level 2 was not presented to the Board.

The Guidance Document was not created to have you take Level 1 class twice to meet the 54 hours of training, but to make sure you had a minimum of training before practicing the specific treatment. Any requirements of a course should be completed in order to gain competency, not repeated to meet a minimum hour requirement as this was not the intent of the Guidance document.

Regards,

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Sent: Thursday, April 22, 2010 1:10 PM

To: Board of Physical Therapy

Subject: Dry Needling and Guidance Document 112-9

Attached you will find my letter to the board regarding dry needling in the state of Virginia. Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to hearing from you.

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