



CLINICAL CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR INDIVIDUALS OTHER THAN PHYSICAL THERAPISTS AND PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANTS HOD P06-02-26-49 [Initial HOD 06-01-28-28] [Position]

Physical therapists and physical therapist assistants conducting clinical continuing education courses are obligated to identify target audiences and indicate in the printed, lecture, and advertising materials that course content is not intended for use by participants outside the scope of their license or regulation.

Furthermore, they should make it clear when teaching elements of physical therapist patient/client management that subsequent use of those elements is physical therapy only when performed by a physical therapist or by a physical therapist assistant under the direction and supervision of a physical therapist, in accordance with Association policies, positions, guidelines, standards, and the *Code of Ethics*.

In the interest of public safety, physical therapists and physical therapist assistants should not conduct clinical continuing education courses that teach elements of physical therapist patient/client management to individuals who are not licensed or otherwise regulated, except as they are involved in a specific plan of care, and in accordance with Association policies, positions, guidelines, standards, and the *Code of Ethics*.

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