Preferred Nomenclature for an Internationally Educated Physical Therapist



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An internationally educated physical therapist is a physical therapist currently licensed to practice physical therapy in the United States who is a graduate of a program not accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education.

The American Physical Therapy Association supports the use of the terms internationally educated physical therapist and IEPT in its documents and publications to promote consistency and a common understanding and use of these terms both internal and external to APTA regarding the internationally educated physical therapist.

Explanation of Reference Numbers [use for House policy]:

BOD P00-00-00-00 stands for House of Delegates/month/year/page/vote in the House of Delegates minutes; the "P" indicates that it is a position (see below). For example, HOD P06-22-05-04 means that this position can be found in the June 2022 House of Delegates meeting minutes on Page 5 and that it was Vote 4.

E: Binding Ethical Document | P: Position | Y: Policy

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