CULTURAL COMPETENCE HOD P06-01-26-25 [Position]

Members of the American Physical Therapy Association should demonstrate cultural competence. Cultural competence refers to the set of skills necessary to understand and respond effectively to the cultural needs of each patient/client in order to:

- Eliminate disparities in the health status of people of diverse cultural backgrounds.
- Respond to current and projected demographic changes in the United States.
- Improve the quality of health services and health outcomes, and meet legislative, regulatory, and accreditation standards.

Relationship to Vision 2020: Professionalism; (Minority & Women's Initiatives Department, ext 8560)

Explanation of Reference Numbers:
BOD P00-00-00-00 stands for Board of Directors/month/year/page/vote in the Board of Directors Minutes; the "P" indicates that it is a position (see below). For example, BOD P11-97-06-18 means that this position can be found in the November 1997 Board of Directors minutes on Page 6 and that it was Vote 18.