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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification (OPLC) to **retroactively** renew our membership with the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT), vendor number 171975, Alexandria, VA, in the amount of \$2,500.00 effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval, for the period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. 100% Agency Funds.

Funds to support this request are available in the following account:

212010-240400000 Division of Administration	<u>FY 2024</u>
026 – 500251 Organizational Dues	\$2,500.00

EXPLANATION

The Office of Professional Licensure and Certification wishes to continue its membership with the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT), which provides access to resources, disciplinary, licensure and examination score information and information for those involved with professional and occupational regulation.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsey B. Courtney
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Listed below are answers to questions which may be of assistance for The Governor and Council in considering the approval of organization dues and membership submissions:

1. How long has this organization been in existence and how long has this agency been a member of this organization? **The Physical Therapy Governing Board has been contracting with the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy to administer the National Examination for at least 20 years.**
2. Is there any other organization which provides the same or similar benefits which your agency belongs to? **No**
3. How many other state's belonging to this organization and is your agency the sole New Hampshire state agency that is a member? **52**
4. How is the dues' structure established? **\$2.50 per licensee plus a \$500 Administrative Fee. The dues no matter how many licensees shall not exceed \$2500.**
5. What benefit does the state receive from participating in membership? **Administration of the National Examination ensuring it is consistent, secure, and standardized across the country. The Board also receives resources and information so they can stay at the fore front of national trends and the ever-changing practice of physical therapy and physical therapy assistants. In addition, the FSBPT facilitates communication between the States.**
6. Are training or educational/research materials included in the membership? If so, is the cost included? Explain in detail: **Yes, Board members receive training on being a Board member, i.e. roles, responsibilities, conducting meetings and hearings, privacy issues, right to know, etc. Board members and administrators also attend leadership issues forums and yearly meetings in which the States gather to direct the FSBPT on what resources are needed. An example of one initiative is the PT Compact.**
7. Is the membership required to receive any federal grants or required in order to receive or participate in licensing or certification exams? Explain: **No**
8. Is there any travel included with this membership fee? Explain in detail any travel to include the number of employees involved, the number of trips, destination if known and purposes of membership supported trips.
Yes, all expenses for Board members to attend the "Board Member Training" held in Alexandria VA, all expenses for the Board's Administrator and the Board member voted as their Delegate to attend the "Leadership Issues Forum" in Alexandria VA, and all expenses for the Board members voted Delegate and Alternate Delegate, and the Board Administrator to attend the National Meeting held at various locations once a year. There may be additional travel for Board members and/or the Administrator if they are on a committee.

9. Which state agency employees are directly involved with this organization? (Indicate if they are members, voting members, committee members, and/or officers of the organization). **At the present time we have a voting member on the Compact Board and the FSBPT delegates Board.**

10. Explain in detail any negative impact to the State if the Agency did not belong to this organization. **If the Physical Therapy Governing Board is not a member of the FSBPT they will lose their ability to have individuals residing in NH take the National PT Examination, they would lose valuable training, knowledge of licensing trends and what other States are doing, communication on bad actors, etc. The ways in which NH would be negatively affected is so vast it is impossible to list everything that would be lost.**

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FSBPT MEMBERSHIP DUES INVOICE

Date of Invoice 10/01/2023

Please be advised that pursuant to the Federation's Bylaws and Financial Policies, 2024 Membership Dues are due in January 15, 2024.

JURISDICTION : New Hampshire

LICENSEE BASED FEE

Number of licensees as of October 1, 2023

Physical Therapist 2380

Physical Therapist Assistant 575

Total number of licensee's 2955

Rate X \$.75

Fee \$2216.25

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE + \$500.00

TOTAL AMOUNT OF DUES* (\$2716.25)

\$2500.00

*** Not to exceed \$2,500.00**

Please submit payment to the following address:

Federation of State Boards
of Physical Therapy
124 West Street South 3rd Floor
Alexandria, VA 22314 -2825 10

FEDERAL ID# 63-0946217

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Vendor	171975	Remit	0001
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