

PERMANENT RULE ADOPTION ORDER

Office of Occupational Therapy

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

The attached permanent rules are promulgated to implement Colorado Senate Bill 21-003 (Concerning the recreation and reenactment, with amendments, of the "Occupational Therapy Practice Act", and, in connection therewith, reestablishing the licensing functions of the Director of the Division of Professions and Occupations in the Department of Regulatory Agencies regarding occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants); Colorado House Bill 20-1326 (Concerning an expansion of an individual's ability to practice an occupation in Colorado through creation of an occupational credential portability program); and Colorado Senate Bill 20-102 (Concerning required disclosures to patients regarding formal actions based on sexual misconduct).

The basis for these rules is to carry out the provisions of SB21-003 at sections 12-20-204(1) and 12-270-116, HB20-1326 at section 12-20-202(3)(a), SB20-102 at section 12-30-115, and the Occupational Therapy Practice Act at section 12-270-101, et seq., C.R.S.

The specific statutory authorities that authorize this rulemaking is pursuant to sections 12-20-204(1), 12-20-202(3)(a), 12-30-115, 12-270-116, and 24-4-103, C.R.S. The adoption of these permanent rules is imperatively necessary to comply with the requirements of state law. Therefore, I hereby adopt these permanent rules as printed and amended, and incorporate by reference the statements of basis, purpose, and statutory authority, pursuant to section 24-4-103(4)(c), C.R.S.

Dated this 25th day of May 2021, to be effective July 30, 2021.

Ronne Hines, Director

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Division of Professions and Occupations