Standards of Practice

Legislative Responsibilities

Standard
The physiotherapist practices in compliance with all the legislative and regulatory requirements of their jurisdiction.

Expected outcome
Clients can expect that the services they receive are delivered by a registered physiotherapist who is in compliance with legislation and regulatory requirements applicable to her/his practice.

Performance expectations
The physiotherapist:

- Maintains current registration with the College of Physiotherapists of Alberta.
- Is knowledgeable of and complies with all relevant legislative and regulatory requirements in Alberta (e.g., privacy legislation, Workers’ Compensation Act, Radiation Protection Regulation) applicable to her/his practice.
- Practices in accordance with physiotherapy regulatory requirements (e.g., scope of practice, Code of Ethics, Standards of Practice, continuing competence, mandatory reporting, use of title).
- Takes responsibility and is accountable for her/his actions.
- Conducts her/himself in a manner that promotes respect for the profession.

Clients are recipients of physiotherapy services, and may be individuals, families, groups, organizations, communities, or populations. An individual client may also be referred to as a patient. In some circumstances, clients/patients may be represented by their substitute decision-makers.

Related Standards
- Conflict of Interest
- Consent
- Privacy/Confidentiality
- Safety
- Use of Title