



# Continuing Competence

## Applies to Physical Therapists

The College of Health and Care Professionals of BC was created on June 28, 2024 through the amalgamation of seven health regulatory colleges:

- College of Dietitians of British Columbia
- College of Occupational Therapists of British Columbia
- College of Optometrists of British Columbia
- College of Opticians of British Columbia
- College of Physical Therapists of British Columbia
- College of Psychologists of British Columbia
- College of Speech and Hearing Health Professionals of British Columbia

All current requirements for standards of clinical and ethical practice issued by the seven colleges remain in place upon amalgamation.

This document was created by the College of Physical Therapists of British Columbia and will be updated to reflect the amalgamation.

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## STANDARD

The physical therapist practices within their level of competence and actively pursues continuous lifelong learning to maintain competence in existing and emerging areas of their physical therapy practice.

## EXPECTED OUTCOME

Clients can expect that the physical therapy services they receive are delivered by a physical therapist who practices within the scope of practice of the profession and actively maintains their individual skills and competencies.

## PERFORMANCE EXPECTATIONS

The physical therapist:

1. Maintains the essential competencies reflected in the current competency profile for physical therapists in Canada.
2. Actively participates in self-directed learning to maintain competence in existing practice areas and to acquire competence in new and emerging areas of practice relevant to their practice setting and client population served.

## RELATED STANDARDS OF PRACTICE

- Evidence-Informed Practice