

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held March 22, 2018

George D. Bedwick, Chairman
John F. Mizner, Esq., Vice Chairman
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Regulation No. 16A-6711 (#3134)
State Board of Occupational Therapy
Education and Licensure
General Revisions

On February 5, 2016, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Occupational Therapy Education and Licensure (Board). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code Chapter 42. The proposed regulation was published in the February 20, 2016 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period ending March 21, 2016. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on February 9, 2018.

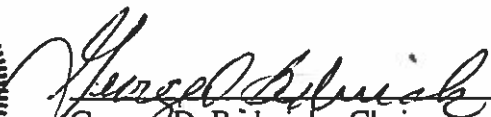
This regulation implements Act 138 of 2012 by requiring the maintenance of professional liability insurance by occupational therapists and establishing continued competency requirements for occupational therapy assistants.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (63 P.S. §§ 1505(b), 1508(5)(vi), and 1515(a)) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.




George D. Bedwick, Chairman