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License Mobility – Ohio Experience

A Regulators Perspective

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Ohio Experience

A confluence of factors led to passage of interstate licensure compacts in Ohio.

- Ohio was a slow adopter.
- PT Compact developed in 2014 and began issuing privileges in July 2018. The Ohio Board wanted to monitor its progress before joining.
- Fall of 2018, PT Section of the OTPTAT Board agreed with the association to move forward and legislation was introduced. This bill paved the way for future compacts in Ohio.
- Willing legislative sponsor whose interest in licensure compacts was sparked.
- Nursing, Medical, Psychology, Counseling, Speech, OT, PT
- The regulatory board is a combined board – OT/PT/AT.

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Why a licensure compact? Answers several issues that have arisen with the Ohio legislature.

- Addresses licensure portability for members of the military and their spouses.
- Addresses critiques that state licensure establishes artificial boundaries to practice. Compacts increase portability.
- Allows the state retain oversight for discipline and enforcement purposes.
- Enhances critical information sharing between states.

The licensure compact is an ideal alternative to mandatory reciprocity bills.

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Advice to other states

- Network with other licensing boards in the state that have licensure compacts but understand that not all compacts are equal.
- Discuss with other states that are considering joining the compact about their experience.
- Early adoption results the privilege of establishing the compact and its rules.
- Understand the implementation requirements, such as fees and background checks.
- Focus on the big picture and not all the “what ifs.”

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