

## NOTES FOR HB 525 STUDY:

BOARDS THAT HAVE NATIONAL CERTIFICATION – Clinical Laboratory Scientists, Radiologic Technicians, Real Estate Appraisers (federal law mandates a board)

SURVEY RAISED QUESTIONS ABOUT MEDICARE FRAUD REGARDING SOME PHYSICAL THERAPY PRACTICES (billing Medicare for assistant's services at PT rates)

- **Alternative Health Care:** Survey Responses - 13  
Main Points – Frustrations with lack of supervisors for apprentices. Inability to administer certain drugs.
- **Architects and Landscape Architects** Survey Responses -53  
Main Points: Most had few complaints. Some concerned about enforcement of minimum standards.
- **Athletic Trainers:** Survey Responses - 37  
Main Points: Licensing fees high. About as many feel scope of practice too narrow as feel it's "just right" (16-19)
- **Barbers and Cosmetologists** Survey Responses – 104  
Main Points: Licensing fees second to "no complaints"; some suggested apprenticeship program. Concerns about rules.
- **Clinical Laboratory Science Practitioners** Survey Responses - 82  
Main Points: High licensing fees. Many satisfied with board & continuing ed requirements (but not approval process).
- **Massage Therapy** Survey Responses - 108  
Main Points: Concerns about continuing education requirements, high licensing fees. Some question need for board.
- **Occupational Therapists** Survey Responses - 24  
Main Points: Concerns about too narrow a scope of practice because get training on areas not allowed under MT law.
- **Physical Therapists** Survey Responses - 48  
Main Points: Some concerns about overlapping scopes of practice with other occupations. Helps interstate transfers.
- **Private Alternative Adolescent Residential or Outdoor Programs** Survey Responses – (not in survey)  
Main Points
- **Private Security** Survey Responses - 48  
Main Points: High Licensing Fees. Some concerned about state investigators not needing license, only private ones.
- **Radiologic Technologists:** Survey Responses - 24  
Main Points: Concern about education/training and unlicensed techs.; national registration
- **Real Estate Appraisers** Survey Responses - 29  
Main Points: High licensing fees. Federal laws regulate practice, but also require a board. Laws regulating appraisal management companies
- **Realty Regulation** Survey Responses - 199  
Main Points: Praise and Concerns about office. More people without complaints than with complaints.
- **Respiratory Therapists** Survey Responses -16  
Main Points: Some would like broader scope of practice. Others feel it's just right. Concerns re: unlicensed techs
- **Sanitarians** Survey Responses - 83  
Main Points: Concerns about high licensing fees and broad scope. Some would like specific certifications. State exempt
- **Social Work Examiners/Professional Counselors (+ Marriage/Family Therapists)** Survey Responses - 140  
Main Points: Several cited slow staff response. Others said staff doing good job given high workload. Criticism of board.
- **Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists:** Survey Responses - 17  
Main Points: No big concerns with regulations.