

## DIRECT ACCESS PHYSICAL THERAPY

You (the patient) will be receiving direct physical therapy treatment services from an individual who is a physical therapist (PT) licensed by the Physical Therapy Board of California.

Under California law, you may continue to receive direct physical therapy treatment services for a period of up to 45 calendar days or 12 visits, whichever occurs first. After this, a physical therapist may continue providing you with physical therapy treatment services only after receiving a dated signature on the physical therapist's plan of care from a person holding a physician and surgeon's certificate issued by the Medical Board of California or by the Osteopathic Medical Board of California, or from a person holding a certificate to practice podiatric medicine from the California Board of Podiatric Medicine. This practitioner must be acting within his or her scope of practice. The signature must indicate approval of the physical therapist's plan of care and that an in-person patient examination and evaluation was conducted by the physician and surgeon or podiatrist. With your written authorization, your physical therapist may notify your physician and surgeon, if any, that he/she is treating you.

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Patient signature

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Date