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Massage Therapist Licensure

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Massage is defined broadly and Structural Integration has no specific exemption. The statute does not specify which exams will be accepted. The Department only accepts MBLEx and NCTMB at present. It is possible someone could petition for acceptance of the CESI.

Law and Regulation

http://www.ct.gov/dph/LIB/dph/practitioner_licensing_and_investigations/plis/massagetherapist/MSG_Statute.pdf

Statute: CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES Chapter 384a

Massage Therapists

Sec. 20-206 a. (d) "Massage therapy" means the systematic and scientific manipulation and treatment of the soft tissues of the body, by use of pressure, friction, stroking, percussion, kneading, vibration by manual or mechanical means, range of motion and nonspecific stretching. Massage therapy may include the use of oil, ice, hot and cold packs, tub, shower, steam, dry heat, or cabinet baths, for the purpose of, but not limited to, maintaining good health and establishing and maintaining good physical and mental condition. Massage therapy does not encompass (1) diagnosis, the prescribing of drugs or medicines, spinal or other joint manipulations, (2) any service or procedure for which a license to practice medicine, chiropractic, natureopathy, physical therapy, or podiatry is required by law, or (3) Thai yoga practiced by a person who is registered as a yoga teacher with the Yoga Alliance Registry and has completed two hundred hours of training in Thai yoga.

Exams accepted: MBLEx and NCTMB

<http://www.ct.gov/dph/cwp/view.asp?a=3121&q=389350>

Sec. 20-206b. (a) ...Each person seeking licensure as a massage therapist shall make application on forms prescribed by the department, pay an application fee ... and present to the department satisfactory evidence that the applicant: (1) Has graduated from a school of massage therapy ... and (2) has passed an examination prescribed by the department. The National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork's national examination for state licensing option shall not satisfy the examination requirements for a person seeking licensure pursuant to this section.

There is no Board, so no board meetings, agendas, or minutes. Licensing is run by the Department of Public Health.