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Missouri defines massage broadly, equates massage and bodywork and does not have a specific exemption for Structural Integration. It appears one could petition to have the CESI accepted.

Law and Regulation

Statutes: <http://pr.mo.gov/massage-statutes.asp>

Section 324.240.1 Definitions.

(7) "Massage therapy", a health care profession which involves the treatment of the body's tonus system through the scientific or skillful touching, rubbing, pressing or other movements of the soft tissues of the body with the hands, forearms, elbows, or feet, or with the aid of mechanical apparatus, for relaxation, therapeutic, remedial or health maintenance purposes to enhance the mental and physical well-being of the client, but does not include the prescription of medication, spinal or joint manipulation, the diagnosis of illness or disease, or any service or procedure for which a license to practice medicine, chiropractic, physical therapy, or podiatry is required by law, or to those occupations defined in chapter 329;

324.270. A person who does not hold a license to practice massage therapy or a license to operate a massage business or is not exempted from obtaining a license pursuant to subsection 7 of section [324.265](#) shall not use the words "massage", "body work", or any of their synonyms on any sign or in any other form of advertising, unless specifically exempted by the board.

Administrative Rules: 20 CSR 2197

<http://www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/20csr/20csr.asp#20-2197>

Rules of Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration
Division 2197—Board of Therapeutic Massage Chapter 1—General Rules

Examination

20 CSR 2197-1.010 Definitions

(4) "Statistically valid examination" is defined as an examination that has been validated by an unbiased third party such as a nationally recognized testing company or by a professional psychometrician whose credentials are acceptable to the board. The examination shall be

based on a job analysis and expert judgement, which identifies a minimum level of competency to perform massage therapy and then tests only subjects judged as most important for beginning licensees to know.

20 CSR 2197-2.010 Application for Licensure

<http://s1.sos.mo.gov/cmsimages/adrules/csr/current/20csr/20c2197-2.pdf>

Which exams are accepted depend upon one's education, et al., but generally, the NCETMB, NCETM, ABT, AMMA NBCE, MBLEx, and in some cases "[a]n examination deemed appropriate by the board"

Board Members

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Meetings, Agendas, and Minutes

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