

Occupational Therapy Compact Commission (OTCC)

Chapter XX: Converting a Privilege to Practice to a Home State License

DRAFT RULE

Rule Title	Converting a Privilege to Practice to a Home State License
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§Section 1: Authority

Authority for this rule is in the Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact Model Legislation.

§Section 5: *Obtaining a New Home State License by Virtue of Compact Privilege*

§Section 10: *Rulemaking*

§Section 2: Purpose

Pursuant to §Section 10 of the *Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact Model Legislation*, the Occupational Therapy Compact Commission shall promulgate reasonable and lawful uniform rules to facilitate and coordinate implementation and administration of the Occupational Therapy Interstate Compact.

§Section 3: Definitions

No definitions specific to this rule

§Section 4: Rule Content

• A Member State Shall:

- Provide a process to convert the privilege to practice to a home state license.
- Convert the Privilege to Practice to a Home State License, if requested by the licensee.
- Utilize CompactConnect to verify the eligibility for a new Home State License by virtue of a compact privilege pursuant to Section 5 of the Compact Law.
- Conduct Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Criminal Background Check (CBC) in accordance with state statute and Public Law 92-544.

• A Member State Board May Require:

- Payment of a new home state license fee as determined and set by that member state;
- Other criminal background check as required by the new Home State;
- Completion of any jurisprudence requirements required by the new Home State;
- Any licensure disciplinary information not attainable through CompactConnect.

- 29 • **The Occupational Therapist (OT) / Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) shall:**
30 ○ Designate one Home State License in a Member State at a time.
31 ○ Within thirty (30) days of a primary change in residency request conversion of their
32 Privilege to Practice to a Home State License by virtue of a compact privilege in the
33 Member State directly with that Member State Board.
34 ○ File an application to obtain a new Home State License following a change in primary
35 residency.
36 ○ Satisfactorily complete a Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Criminal Background
37 Check (CBC) in accordance with OT Compact Commission Rules (reference current
38 iteration of the FBI CBC rule)
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40 The Commission shall exercise its rulemaking powers pursuant to the criteria set forth in
41 §Section 10 of the *Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact Model Legislation* and the rules
42 adopted thereunder. Rules and amendments shall become binding as of the date specified in each
43 rule or amendment.



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