

General Overview:

Occupational Therapy Facility Registration Program Discontinued Effective September 1, 2019

The Texas Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners' occupational therapy facility registration program has been discontinued as of September 1, 2019, due to changes to the OT Practice made by the 85th Legislature that repealed facility registration requirements on that date. In conjunction with these changes, Chapter 376, Registration of Facilities, was also repealed from the OT Rules, as were remaining regulations from the OT Rules concerning registering and maintaining occupational therapy facility registration.

Due to these changes, for example,

- Facilities will no longer register with the Board as occupational therapy facilities.
- Facilities will no longer maintain occupational therapy facility registration with the Board and will no longer renew the occupational therapy facility registration.
- Facilities are no longer required to designate an occupational therapist in charge.
- OT and OTAs who provide services in a facility are no longer required to work in registered occupational therapy facilities or facilities that met registration exemptions under the OT Rules.

Please note, furthermore, that the following has not changed, for example,

- OTs and OTAs in Texas must at all times comply with the OT Act and Rules.
- Occupational therapy services in Texas must be provided by OTs and OTAs licensed by this Board.

Refer to the full OT Act and Rules for further Board regulations:

<https://www.ptot.texas.gov/page/ot-acts-and-rules>.

Notice of the related Board rule adoptions was published in the August 16, 2019, issue of the [Texas Register](#).