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# NEWS RELEASE

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## PHYSICAL THERAPIST'S LICENSE REVOKED

SACRAMENTO – A Clovis Physical Therapist has had his license revoked following a failed continuing competency audit.

The Physical Therapy Board of California (PTBC) has revoked the license of Vernon Wayne Thorpe, PT, by default after Thorpe failed to file a Notice of Defense in response the Board's filing of an Accusation.

In May 2011, Thorpe signed under penalty of perjury a Physical Therapist renewal application certifying that he had accumulated at least the minimum continuing competency hours. He further certified that if he was audited by the PTBC he could submit evidence of completion of continuing competency hours.

In June 2012 and October 2012, as part of a random continuing competency audit, PTBC staff requested documentation to demonstrate Thorpe's compliance with his completion of continuing competency hours. In March 2013, during a phone conversation with a Board Representative, Thorpe stated that he was no longer living or working California and admitted that he did not complete the continuing competency coursework.

His license revocation became effective February 24, 2014.

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*The Physical Therapy Board regulates over 27,000 licensees who practice physical therapy in California. The license status of physical therapists and physical therapist assistants can be verified by visiting the Board's website at [www.ptbc.ca.gov](http://www.ptbc.ca.gov). Information about filing complaints against the Board's licenses is also available on the Board's website.*