

# 1<sup>st</sup> STOP CHECKLIST: OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST/ PHYSICAL THERAPIST/ ATHLETIC TRAINER

## REQUIREMENTS & REGULATIONS

**Occupational therapy** is “the evaluation of learning and performance skills and the analysis, selection, and adaptation of activities for an individual whose abilities to cope with daily living, perform tasks normally performed at his stage of development, and perform vocational tasks are threatened or impaired by developmental deficiencies, the aging process, environmental deprivation, or physical, psychological, or social injury or illness.”

**Physical therapy** is “the evaluation and treatment of a person by physical measures and the use of therapeutic exercises and rehabilitative procedures, with or without assistive devices, for the purpose of preventing, correcting or alleviating any disability.”

**Athletic training** is “the practice of prevention, recognition, and assessment of an athletic injury and the complete management, treatment, disposition, and reconditioning of acute athletic injuries.”

- [] Occupational therapists, physical therapists, and athletic trainers must be licensed by Ohio’s **Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Athletic Trainers Board**. Contact the Board at **(614) 466-3774**. Information and applications can also be found on the Board’s web site at <http://otptat.ohio.gov>.
- [] Contact the **Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)** for information about the proper disposal of hazardous and solid waste. The EPA can be reached at **(614) 644-3020 for General Inquiries** or **(800) 329-7518 for Office of Compliance Assistance and Pollution Prevention**. The Ohio EPA is also on-line at [www.epa.state.oh.us](http://www.epa.state.oh.us).  
*\*Remember to check local government agencies.\**
- [] Ohio’s Occupational therapists, physical therapists, and athletic trainers laws can be found in **Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Sections 4755.01; 4755.40 and 4755.60**. The **ORC** and **Ohio Administrative Code (OAC)** can be found in your local library or on-line at <http://codes.ohio.gov/orc>.

**For more help, contact your local Small Business Development Center (SBDC).**

[www.ohiosbdc.ohio.gov](http://www.ohiosbdc.ohio.gov)

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**THIS CHECKLIST IS ABOUT STATE REQUIREMENTS.**