## POLICY TENNESSEE MASSAGE LICENSURE BOARD

## ACCEPTABLE FORMATS FOR TENNESSEE LAW CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES

Pursuant to Rule 0870-01-.12(1)(b), continuing education courses regarding Tennessee statutes and rules must be approved by the Massage Licensure Board. The Board has never approved a continuing education course regarding Tennessee's massage statutes and rules to be offered in a multi-media format (see 0870-01-.12(1)(d)). It is the policy of the Board that these courses should not be taught in multi-media formats as that term is defined at 0870-01-.12(1)(d), and the Board will not approve courses that are proposed to be taught in those formats.

In order to protect the public, the Board requires that massage therapists and massage establishment owners complete a course on this topic every two years so that they are up to date on any changes to Board laws, rules, and policies. The Board feels that requiring this course to be taught by in-person or live-interactive formats will help ensure that the course provider can assess participant knowledge and learning & respond to participant questions, which the Board believes to be a critically important component for these courses.

Adopted by the Tennessee Massage Licensure Board on this the 9th day of August, 2021.

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