SUPERVISION STATEMENT FOR PEDORTHIC PRACTICE

(REF: OAC RULE 4779-5-03, EFF 11.01.2010)

This statement is being submitted for the purpose of (choose one):

☐ Confirming an arrangement/agreement is in place for Temporary License supervision that will be appropriate to meet the requirements of OAC Rule 4779-5-03 (E)(2)

☐ Attesting to completion of supervision in accordance with and meeting the requirements of OAC Rule 4779-5-03 (E)(2)

☐ Attesting only to arrangements for or completion of 8 months supervision in accordance with ORC §4779.13 (A) for a candidate or Temporary LPED licensee who has already passed the Certified Pedorthics exam

By our signatures below (supervisor and supervisee), we confirm that we

( ) will engage in OR ( ) have engaged in

a supervisory relationship consisting of at least 1000 hours of supervised pedorthic care practice including procedures and arrangements to assure the supervisor's ability to attest truthfully that at least 100 hours will be or have been devoted to each of the following five general areas of service delivery:

(1) Comprehensive assessment and evaluation of patients requiring the full spectrum of pedorthic care, including: (a) Custom fabricated and custom fitted foot orthoses; (b) Therapeutic/diabetic shoes, depth shoes and custom shoes; (c) Prefabricated inserts, custom fitted, moldable and rigid; (d) Shoe modifications; and (e) Retail, non-therapeutic shoes and foot orthoses.

(2) Development of a comprehensive treatment plan to provide appropriate pedorthic care.

(3) Selection of materials and components to meet the treatment plan, including on-site fabrication of the device where facilities are available, or in the alternative, working knowledge of how various devices are fabricated if fabrication is not done at the facility.

(4) Fitting and appropriate follow-up of the pedorthic device to assure optimal fit and function of the device, including modifications and adjustments of the device to ensure proper and continued function and instructing the patient on the use and care of the device with verbal and take-home instructions where indicated or required.

(5) Appropriate documentation of patient care and interaction, including that records are accurate, current and complete, and that principles and procedures of practice management are understood.

Supervisor signature:	*Date:*	*Supervisee signature:*	*Date:*
_____	_____	_____	_____
Print name:	*License #:*	*Print name:*	*License #:*
_____	_____	_____	_____

Supervision begin date: _____ *Supervision complete date:* _____

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REGULATORY LANGUAGE PERTAINING TO SUPERVISION

IN THE PRACTICE OF ORTHOTICS, PROSTHETICS AND PEDORTHICS

(WITH UPDATES THROUGH NOVEMBER 01, 2010)

The subject of Supervision in the practice of the professions regulated by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 4779 -- and related Administrative Code Rules -- is outlined by language found in the following sections:

ORC §4779.02 -- which prohibits unlicensed practice but specifies exceptions to the prohibition

ORC §4779.04 -- which contains limiting language regarding services provided under supervision

ORC §4779.18 -- which contains the provisions for Temporary Licensure

OAC Rule 4779-3-01 -- which provides Definitions relating to a number of terms, including "supervision" and "direct supervision" and "physically present."

Taken together, this language sets forth as legal policy of the state of Ohio the following principles regarding an Orthotist, Prosthetist, or Pedorthist's authority and responsibility in extending the rights and privileges granted by licensure to the acts of persons providing hands-on consumer care under supervision:

- Except in the case of an employee of the federal government, a professional license is required to offer or perform services in Orthotic, Prosthetic and/or Pedorthic care in the State of Ohio.
- Unlicensed persons may perform services within the scope of Orthotic, Prosthetic and/or Pedorthic care only under the authority of an individual who holds an appropriate professional license.
- A Licensed Orthotist, Prosthetist, Prosthetist-Orthotist, or Pedorthist may supervise no more than four (4) unlicensed persons performing professional services at one time.
- The supervised individual may only perform services in which the supervisor holds appropriate competence. For example:
  - An Orthotist may not supervise the provision of Prosthetic services
  - Either an Orthotist or a Prosthetist may supervise the provision of Pedorthic services, since Pedorthics is within the scopes of practice of both of those professions

- Regardless of the skill level that a license holder may determine an unlicensed supervisee demonstrates, an OPP Board Licensee:
  - ⇨ must be "physically present" [ORC §4779.04(B)], meaning "at the same building, location, or facility as the non-licensed practitioner and patient" [OAC Rule 4779-3-01(C)(1), effective 11/01/2010]
    - ⇨ "[d]uring the initial evaluation of any patient who can reasonably be expected to require orthotic, prosthetic, or pedorthic services and during the fitting and delivery of an orthotic or pedorthic device or prosthesis …" [ORC §4779.04(B)]
- **A Temporary License** grants the holder and supervisor the responsibility to engage in the provision of services for a time-limited basis under less-restrictive circumstances, eliminating the "physically present" standard by allowing for services to be rendered within a "sixty (60) minutes travel time" region and with a consultation-by-telecommunications back-up plan. [ref: ORC §4779.18 (B); OAC Rule 4779-3-01(C)(3)]

The language cited in this summary is provided for your specific reference on the next page. Copies of all regulatory language from Chapters 4779 of the Revised and Administrative Codes are available from the Board office and on-line at:

http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/4779 (Practice Act - Revised Code) http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/4779 (Administrative Code Rules)

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ORC § 4779.02 -- License required to practice orthotics, prosthetics or pedorthics; exceptions.

(A) Except as provided in division (B) of this section, no person shall practice or represent that the person is authorized to practice orthotics, prosthetics, or pedorthics unless the person holds a current, valid license issued or renewed under this chapter.

(B) Division (A) of this section does not apply to any of the following:

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(3) An individual who provides orthotic, prosthetic, or pedorthic services under the supervision of a licensed orthotist, prosthetist, or pedorthist in accordance with section 4779.04 of the Revised Code;

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(5) An individual who provides orthotic, prosthetic, or pedorthic services under the direct supervision of an individual authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery.

ORC § 4779.04 -- Restrictions on individuals providing services under supervision of licensee.

No individual who provides orthotic, prosthetic, or pedorthic services under the supervision of an individual licensed under this chapter, as provided in division (B)(3) of section 4779.02 of the Revised Code, shall do so unless all of the following are the case:

(A) The individual does not perform any services that the supervising orthotist, prosthetist, orthotist-prosthetist, or pedorthist is not authorized to perform;

(B) During the initial evaluation of any patient who can reasonably be expected to require orthotic, prosthetic, or pedorthic services and during the fitting and delivery of an orthotic or pedorthic device or prosthesis, the supervising orthotist, prosthetist, orthotist-prosthetist, or pedorthist is physically present;

(C) At times other than those described in division (B) of this section, the supervising orthotist, prosthetist, orthotist-prosthetist, or pedorthist is either physically present at the location where the individual is practicing or is readily available to the individual through some means of telecommunication and is in a location that under normal circumstances is not more than sixty minutes travel time away from the location where the individual is practicing.

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ORC § 4779.18 Temporary license.

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(B) A temporary license issued under this section is valid for one year and may be renewed once in accordance with rules adopted by the board under section 4779.08 of the Revised Code.

An individual who holds a temporary license may practice orthotics, prosthetics, orthotics and prosthetics, or pedorthics only under the supervision of an individual who holds a license issued under section 4779.09 of the Revised Code in the same area of practice.

OAC Rule 4779-3-01 -- Definitions Of Terms. *[with updates effective 11/01/2010]*

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(C) Supervision definitions and requirements

(1) “Physically present” as it is used under division (B) of section 4779.04 of the Revised Code means at the same building, location, or facility as the non-licensed practitioner and patient.

(2) “Under the direct supervision”, as it is used under division (B)(5) of section 4779.02 of the Revised Code, means the individual who provides orthotic, prosthetic, or pedorthic services under the supervision of an individual authorized to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine, must perform the evaluation, measurement, design, fitting, adjusting, servicing, or training in a building, facility, or location where the physician or osteopathic physician is present at the time the service is provided and pursuant to a professional arrangement whereby the physician or osteopathic physician takes full clinical and consumer care responsibility for the orthotic, prosthetic, or pedorthic services provided.

(3) “Under the supervision” as it is used under division (B) in section 4779.18 of the Revised Code means the temporary license holder who practices under the supervision of an individual who holds a full practitioner license issued under section 4779.09 of the Revised Code may conduct all activities either at a building, location, or facility where the supervising orthotist, prosthetist, or pedorthist is physically present or at a location where the supervising orthotist, prosthetist, or pedorthist is readily available to the individual through some means of telecommunication and is in a location that under normal circumstances is not more than sixty minutes travel time away from the location where the temporary license holder is practicing.