

Dear Members of the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Professions:

The Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards is extremely grateful to the 7,646 people who responded to the Occupational Analysis Survey that was conducted online from October 13, 2006 through February 1, 2007. The survey is now closed and the information is currently being analyzed.

The FSMTB is appreciative of the support extended by the state licensure boards, Associated Bodywork and Massage Professionals, the American Massage Therapy Association, Massage Magazine, and MassageBuilder for their efforts to help the FSMTB reach as many stakeholders as possible. Data collected from the Survey will be carefully analyzed and results will be published. The extraordinary response rate will allow us to make knowledge-based decisions guided by solid input from the profession. Please check back to our Web site to access results as they become available.

The information provided by survey participants will be used to formulate the national licensure exam that the FSMTB will launch in 2007. In addition, the data will guide discussions and decisions regarding model practice act language that is intended to promote uniformity and reciprocity of licensure in the United States.

If you were unable to participate in the Survey and would still like to provide input to the FSMTB, you are welcome to send correspondence to our Executive Director, Debra Persinger at dpersinger@fsmtb.org. We welcome communications from all stakeholders at any time.

Again, on behalf of the FSMTB I extend sincere gratitude to all for the extraordinarily detailed information shared by the professionals and for the overwhelming, positive support from stakeholders across the country.

Sincerely,

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