

INTERNATIONAL ARRANGEMENT

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Overview

The International Arrangement (IA) for the profession of athletic training and therapy plays a key role in optimizing care, injury prevention, rehabilitation and supporting the rights of patients and the public to achieve their potential to live well. The IA ensures comparable best practices, quality education and professional standards. The IA provides an opportunity for Athletic Trainers, Athletic Therapists and Sport Rehabilitators to be mobile on a global scale by creating a pathway to challenge each other's credentialing exam.

Organizations

- Athletic Rehabilitation Therapy Ireland (ARTI)
- Board of Certification (BOC) (USA)
- Canadian Athletic Therapists Association (CATA)
- British Association of Sport Rehabilitators (BASRaT)

Become Internationally Credentialed

Visit the appropriate IA organization website for application instructions.

[ARTI](#) | [BOC](#) | [CATA](#) | [BASRaT](#)

Join the International Arrangement

Interested organizations may submit a petition for entry into the IA. Visit the [IA website](#) or email international@bocatc.org for more information.

Education & Credentialing

The IA organizations, in collaboration with International Consultants of Delaware (ICD), participated in an analysis of education and credentialing standards. The IA organizations, via cooperation and collaboration, established its minimum educational standards for the IA. These standards serve as a benchmark during the process of credentials evaluation conducted by ICD to ensure that entry-to-practice skills and competencies as an athletic training and therapy professional have been acquired by the applicant.



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Education

- Report from third-party, to be selected by current organizations of the IA, that demonstrates the education standards and curricular content are equivalent to the other organizations in the IA
- Standards to obtain and maintain accreditation

Credentialing

- Documentation demonstrating proof of standing as a credentialing entity (e.g., regulatory recognition, letter from a third-party accreditor, articles of incorporation)
- Candidate/Applicant handbook or documentation that outlines the exam application process
- Practice analysis, job analysis or role delineation study that serves as the blueprint for the organization's exam providing its content validity. The analysis or study could be completed internally or externally and should be performed by a trained practice or job analyst (i.e., psychometrician).
- Report that demonstrates a psychometrically reliable and valid exam (provided by exam provider)
- Qualifications and/or credentials of person or entity validating the exam (i.e., resume, curriculum vitae)
- Requirements to continue certification that promote continued competence

Professional Practice

- Standards that address professional practice, conduct, ethics and a disciplinary/fitness to practice process for pre- and post- certification/registration.

Mobility

- Written disclosure of any known issues that may prevent an individual from practicing in a partner country (e.g., immigration, discipline, governmental jurisdiction requirements.).

Global Standards

IA organizations petitioning to enter the International Arrangement will be required to demonstrate compliance in the following areas:

- **Education**
- **Credentialing**
- **Professional Practice**
- **Mobility**

