

Role of the regional executive committee

The specific functions of each World Physiotherapy region, through the respective regional executive committee, are to:

- engage in activities that develop physiotherapy within the respective Region and are consistent with advancing the Objects set out in clause 4 of the WCPT Constitution; estimated as a time commitment of two hours per week;
- uphold and promote the WCPT's policies, guidelines and ethical principles;
- establish a Regional Executive Committee in accordance with clause 49 of the WCPT Constitution and the regional Regulations;
- communicate and collaborate with other World Physiotherapy Regions;
- build and maintain working relationships with key internal and external stakeholders including World Physiotherapy Board members, Chief Executive Officer and other World Physiotherapy staff;
- participate in consultation during World Physiotherapy's strategic planning and policy development;
- engage in activities that support achievement of World Physiotherapy's strategic plan outcomes;
- ensure member organisations assigned by the Board to the region are connected with World Physiotherapy;
- engage with national professional membership organisations for physiotherapists in the region that are interested in becoming members of World Physiotherapy
- identify, act and advocate on relevant issues and trends in the region, in consultation with the Board; and
- other strategic activities that the executive committee identifies as important for the physiotherapy profession in the region.

Governance arrangements

- A region established by the Board is not a separate legal entity to the WCPT
- The regional executive committee will:
 - comply with and observe the WCPT constitution and regulations
 - submit to the laws of England in respect of any disputes between the executive committee and the WCPT Board that cannot be resolved through WCPT's internal processes.

Term of office

- Except in relation to a member elected to fill a casual vacancy on the executive committee, the term of any member is four years.
- A person may remain on the executive committee for a maximum of three consecutive terms regardless of the position he or she holds in that period.

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- A person, after serving three consecutive terms as a member of the executive committee, is not eligible to be elected or appointed as a member of the executive committee for at least two years after their third term ends.
 - To ensure continuity of regional executive committee work, the terms of members' positions will be staggered over a four-year cycle with approximately half of the terms starting and ending in year two and the other terms starting and ending in year four.