

ATHLETIC TRAINING IN CALIFORNIA

AB 796 passed, now what?

AB 796 is a Title Protection bill NOT a Licensure bill. See details helow

WHAT IS TITLE PROTECTION?

A title protection bill limits who can use a specific title, in this case Athletic Trainer.



To use the title athletic trainer one must:

1. Graduated from a CAATE Accredited Athletic Training Program or completed previous eligibility requirements for BOC certification

AND

2. Is currently certified by the BOC

WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

As of Jan 1, 2025 in order to use the terms/titles:

- Athletic Trainer
- Certified Athletic Trainer
- Licensed Athletic Trainer
- Registered Athletic Trainer
 AT, ATC, LAT, CAT or any such term

The individual must meet both of the conditions above

WHAT DOES THIS BILL DO?



Establishes Athletic Trainers in the state of California as Medical Professionals.

WHAT DOES THIS BILL NOT DO?

- Establish a Scope of Practice
- Define who an AT can treat
- Define where an AT can work
- Require ATs to register or pay a fee
- Require a company/entity (high school, Amazon, college/university, etc) to hire an AT to provide care

WHAT DO I DO IF SOMEONE IS **USING THE AT TITLE INCORRECTLY?**



If you feel that someone is improperly using the title of Athletic Trainer or holding themselves out to be an Athletic Trainer, report the incident using the QR Code or link.

This data will be collected and provided to the State to show the need for further regulation when appropriate.

COMPLAINT LINK