CERTIFIED TRANSLATION FROM POLISH

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Dear Dean,

In reply to your letter of 27 September 2018, the Polish Chamber of Physiotherapists wishes to inform you that the right to perform a profession is valid only in the country where it has been recognised, which means that the Polish qualifications allow one to legally work in Poland. In order to have the legal possibility to work abroad based on Polish qualifications, one should apply (separately in each respective country) for the recognition of qualifications in accordance with the regulations of the given country to the administrative body competent for those matters in its territory. After the recognition of qualifications, it is possible to work as a physiotherapist in that country. In the EU, the procedure for the recognition of qualifications is jointly regulated under Directive 2005/36/EC.

Please notice that in accordance with the Polish Act on the Profession of Physiotherapist, the right to perform the profession can be granted to a person who, among others, has the command of the Polish language at a level which is adequate to allow them to work as physiotherapists. To meet this requirement, it is considered to be sufficient to present a diploma confirming the completion of a higher studies' programme conducted in Polish or a diploma of a postsecondary public school or a postsecondary non-public school with the eligibility of a public school teaching in the Polish language.

Persons who have studied in Poland, but whose language of instruction was different than Polish, are required to submit the following statement: "I declare that I have a good command of the Polish language, both written and spoken, adequate to perform the profession of physiotherapist." containing a clause "I declare under penalty of perjury that all information provided herein is true."; this clause replaces the instruction by the governing body on the criminal liability for giving false testimony.

In case there is a doubt whether the criterion of "adequate command" of the Polish language has been met, any person can apply to the Polish Chamber of Physiotherapists (KIF) to have it test one's knowledge of Polish (in an examination format).

Detailed information on applying for the right to practice the profession is available at the website of the Polish Chamber of Physiotherapists <u>kif.info.pl</u>.

Yours sincerely, President of the Polish Council of Physiotherapists Assistant Professor Maciej Krawczyk, Ph.D., MD

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