

Nomenclature Approved by the Animal Rehabilitation Task Force

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Animal Physical Rehabilitation is defined as the treatment of injury or illness to address pain and improve function by means of physical corrective treatment.

Animal Physical Rehabilitation does not include relaxation, recreational or wellness modalities, including but not limited to, massage, athletic training or exercise.

Changes to provisions are not an attempt to restrict or amend section 2038 of the California Code of Regulations regarding the provision of Musculoskeletal Manipulation modalities.

Prior to performing or authorizing Animal Physical Rehabilitation, a veterinarian shall establish a valid veterinary-client-patient relationship as defined in sections 2032.1 or 2032.15 of the California Code of Regulations.