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I strongly oppose expanding physical therapist scope of practice to include spinal and extra-spinal manipulation, needle insertion, and vaccinations while limiting the use of descriptors surrounding “physiotherapy” and “physical therapy”. The amount of hands on training, hours of deeply understanding, the neurology of the joint complex should be left to the specialty of chiropractic and not be diluted in a broader scope for physical therapist. This could be harmful to the public. Acupuncture accreditation in Oregon at this time is also focused on the safety of the public and should not be diluted into a general education for PT’s.

No one field should have such a wide scope that would decrease the safety and efficacy of all scopes of healing for the general public.