Country: Nigeria

Education:
1. How many physiotherapy education programs are in this country?
   12

2. Are the education programs accredited by an agency or association?
   a. Is this accreditation specific to physiotherapy?
      Yes, the accreditation is specific to physiotherapy and it is done by the regulatory board/agency

3. What is the entry-level degree needed to practice in physiotherapy?
   University first degree (Bachelors)

4. Are there any post-professional degree programs?
   Yes, masters and PhD degree. Currently we are developing a DPT and residency program.

5. Please list suggested websites regarding physical therapy education:
   WWW.MRTB.GOV.NG

Practice:
1. Do patients have direct access or is physiotherapy performed under the direction of a physician?
   Yes, patients have direct access to physiotherapists. Physiotherapists are allowed to carry out independent assessments of patients as well as referrals from physicians.

2. How many physiotherapists are licensed in your country?
   4,874 licensed physiotherapists.

3. What is the professional designation used by practicing PTs? Is this term protected by legislation?
   We use the title Physiotherapist and it is protected by the law.

4. Does this country have PTAs or other support personnel?
   PTAs are only allowed in the military schools in Nigeria.

5. Name the professional association that advocates for physiotherapy in your country.
   Nigeria Society of Physiotherapy.

1. Are there standards of practice in your country?
   One is being developed at this moment, standards of practice have not been in place previously.
2. **Is there a code of conduct in your country?**
   Yes, after obtaining a license the physiotherapist receives a handbook of the code of conduct.

3. **Is any continuing professional development required for re-registration/renewal?**
   Yes, yearly renewal with a minimum of 30 credits.

4. **Please list suggested websites regarding physical therapy practice**
   [WWW.MRTB.GOV.NG](http://WWW.MRTB.GOV.NG) and [WWW.NIGERIASOCIETYOFPHYSIOTHERAPY.ORG](http://WWW.NIGERIASOCIETYOFPHYSIOTHERAPY.ORG)

Regulation:
1. **What is the regulatory model and model description in the country?**

2. **Is registration required to practice? (If so, what organization do a practitioner register with?)**
   Yes, individuals must register with the medical rehabilitation therapists’ registration board of Nigeria.

3. **Is licensure necessary to practice in your country?**
   Yes, issued by the registration body.

4. **Is there a national examination required prior to practice? (If yes, list the exam agency name and website).**
   Yes, the exam is organized by the medical rehabilitation therapist board.

5. **Is there a defined scope of practice?**
   Yes, it is defined by the registration body.

6. **What is the website of the organization that represents physiotherapy regulators in your country?**
   [WWW.MRTB.GOV.NG](http://WWW.MRTB.GOV.NG)