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It is with great regret, that the Board of Directors of the International Network of Physiotherapy Regulatory Authorities (INPTRA) has made the difficult decision to dissolve the organization as of the end of December 2020.

We are all facing unprecedented times and working hard to meet the many challenges COVID-19 presents. As a result, the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT) is unable to continue providing secretariat services effective from December 31, 2020. FSBPT reported: "The pressures that FSBPT has faced during the COVID-19 pandemic has put a strain on our ability to serve all of our various stakeholders and INPTRA in the current form. We have committed significant administrative time from FSBPT staff to best serve INPTRA and feel at this time we must focus staff efforts within our existing organizations and serving our membership."

INPTRA Chair William A. Hatherill said, "Over its eight years of operation, INPTRA significantly developed to a total of nineteen organizational and forty-five individual members. It fulfilled its mission of promoting excellence in physiotherapy regulation by providing a range of resources and education from a global perspective, as well as opportunities to network and collaborate with colleagues from around the world through three very well supported international conferences and an annual calendar of webinars."

The INPTRA Board wishes to express its great appreciation to the FSBPT for its support and resources over the many years, as well as its heartfelt appreciation for the hard work and support of the many international members, committee members, and sponsors of INPTRA.