

**PATHWAY AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY**

**AND**

**FAYETTE COUNTY CAREER & TECHNICAL INSTITUTE**

This agreement establishes a mechanism for students of **Fayette County Career & Technical Institute (Fayette CTI)** to earn credit for the below defined coursework at Penn College in **Physical Therapist Assistant**.

<b>Fayette CTI Coursework</b>	<b>Penn College Coursework</b>	<b>Number of Credit(s)</b>
Content related to Rehabilitation Aid (CIP 51.2604) competency in Nutrition and Hydration (Standard 600) and Exercise Science and Prescription (Standard 700)	Fitness & Wellness Elective (FITELC)	1 Credit
Content related to Rehabilitation Aid (CIP 51.2604) competency in Medical Terminology (Standard 900), satisfied through dual enrollment in Penn Highlands Community College HSC100	Medical Terminology Survey (MTR100)	1 Credit*

*\*NOTE: The Pennsylvania Highlands Community College HSC100 course is currently evaluated as equivalent to Penn College's MTR104 Basics of Medical Terminology (3 credits); however, the PTA program requires only the one-credit MTR100 course.*

Students completing Fayette CTI's Rehabilitation Aid curriculum, which includes job shadowing experience in an outpatient setting, will receive credit for 10 clinical observation hours in one setting with submission of appropriate documentation. The student will be responsible for completing an additional 10 clinical observation hours in another setting (e.g., hospital, long-term care, home health) to be eligible for ranking and selection into the Physical Therapist Assistant program.

Students successfully completing Fayette CTI and its Rehabilitation Aide curriculum with a cumulative high school GPA of 3.0 or higher (or equivalent) and who are eligible for the selective admission process for the PTA program will receive 2 additional points toward the competitive ranking process.

**Additional Transfer Information**

- Students must have gained admission to Penn College and met placement requirements to enroll as a pre-PTA student.
- Students must complete coursework with a grade of C or better (2.0 or better on a 4.0 scale).
- Penn College will accept Fayette CTI coursework for Penn College credit for students who enroll at the College within two (2) academic years of graduation from Fayette CTI.
- Students must submit the following to Penn College prior to enrollment to receive credit for their Fayette CTI program:
  - their final official Fayette CTI and Penn Highlands Community College (for the medical terminology course) transcripts
  - the *Fayette CTI Articulation Agreement Completion Form*, completed and signed by Fayette CTI administrators, noting completion of specific competencies, job shadowing, and coursework
  - the *Penn College PTA Clinical Observation Form* to the PTA Program Office

- Penn College will only consider those credits earned through Fayette CTI for the terms of this agreement. Students must request transcripts from additional institutions to be evaluated on an individual basis at Penn College, including Penn Highlands Community College, through which Fayette CTI partners for the medical terminology coursework.
- Credits will post on the student's official academic transcript upon the successful completion of twelve (12) credits of academic work at Penn College. Prior to completion of twelve (12) credits, for advising and scheduling purposes, approved credits will show on working copies of the student's academic transcript and on the student's graduation profile. Whether Penn College credits will be accepted by another college or university is at the discretion of the receiving college or university.
- Completion of Fayette CTI's program and admittance to Penn College as a pre-PTA student does not guarantee selection into the PTA program. [All selective admission criteria for the PTA program](#) will apply.

**Agreement formalized March 2023**