



HAND THERAPY CERTIFICATION COMMISSION

CHT (Retired) Application & Agreement

HTCC has established a retired designation, “CHT Retired,” to provide a mechanism for the continued recognition of retired CHTs once they have withdrawn from professional practice. The “CHT Retired” designation is intended to recognize CHTs’ years of service and commitment to excellence in upper extremity patient care. Retirement from clinical practice is allowed for many reasons including illness or disability, career change or personal choice. This designation allows retired CHTs to stay connected to the hand therapy profession and to HTCC, and to continue to provide mentorship, education, and professional contributions to other therapists. Individuals with retired status must make efforts to not suggest or imply that they hold an active CHT credential. It is intended that those with “CHT Retired” status will not use the retired designation in connection with professional practice or work for compensation.

Once the candidate has applied for and been granted “CHT Retired” status, the only way to reactivate the CHT credential is to retake and pass the CHT exam.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Be current active or inactive status and in good standing at time of retirement
- Retirement from clinical hand therapy practice, with no plans to renew certification.

You will no longer use your CHT credential if you choose to return to hand therapy practice, including engaging in an occupation related to clinical hand therapy practice, academia, research, administration or consultation, or in a position that requires clinical hand therapy education or licensure/certification.

10 years or more of certification; or are at least 65 years of age.

- Submission of a completed application and fee

Benefits:

- Recognition of professional achievement as a Retired Certified Hand Therapist.
- “CHT Retired” listing in the online directory of Certified Hand Therapists
- Continued communication from HTCC regarding changes in certification, professional updates, and HTCC activities
- A “CHT Retired” certificate suitable for framing

Fees:

CHT Retired (one-time fee).....\$125