

# NORWAY

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# Norwegian Physiotherapist Association (NFF)

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Country information:

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Population: 5,000.000 Number of Physiotherapists:

- in the association: 10,000

- in the country: 10,200 (practising physios, estimate)

### Headquarters:

The Norwegian Physiotherapy Association is a professional body, trade union and educational body. The association has established rules of professional conduct. The Norwegian Physiotherapy Association has 31 staff employees and a full time employed managing director. The association holds regular executive meetings and furthers liasions with other health care professions and authorities.

#### **Migration Information:**

Click here for detailed information regarding the migration procedures for Physiotherapists to: NORWAY

#### **Physiotherapy Education:**

The Norwegian association has its own education section. There are five physiotherapy schools in the country graduating about 350 students per year. Physiotherapy education in Norway is a 3-year diploma course at a physiotherapy college, and there is a mandatory one year of supervised clinical practice in addition. This is at the level of higher education and gives access to



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postgraduate physiotherapy education including Masters Degree. Physiotherapists are involved in both teaching and research. Norway has recognition of physiotherapy specialists.

### Status of profession:

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Professional Title/Qualification: Fysioterapeut The title is protected by the state, but the professional activity is not. The rules of professional conduct are determined directly by the state through national legislation. The physiotherapist must be state registrated and obtain a licence to practice. Norway has established a code of ethics for physiotherapists. The national authority responsible for the physiotherapy profession in Norway is the Ministry of Health and Care Services.

### Practice of physiotherapy:

The physiotherapy services in Norway are determined by the profession. The physiotherapist determines the clinical intervention of physiotherapy him/herself. Norway offers both public and private physiotherapy services. The insurance cover for physiotherapy is combined between the national health care system and private insurances.

### **Twinning**: