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<b>Thu.</b>	<b>9.00 am - 4.30 pm</b>
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>9.00 am - 4.30 pm</b>

### Country information:

**Population: 10.000.000**

**Number of Physiotherapists:**



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- in the association: 11.500
- in the country: 15.000

### Headquarters:

The Swedish Physiotherapy Association is a professional body and a trade union and approximately 85 % of the active physical therapists are members. The Swedish physiotherapy association has 16 staff employees and a full time employed managing director. The association holds 6 executive meetings per year and furthers liasions with other health care professions and authorities.

### Migration Information:

Click [here](#) for detailed information regarding the migration procedures for Physical therapists to: SWEDEN

### Physiotherapy Education:

There are 8 physiotherapy schools in the country graduating about 550 students per year. The physiotherapy education is a 3 -year education which gives a Bachelor of Science Degree. There are opportunities for continuing education including Masters and Doctorate degrees.

### Status of profession:

Professional Title/ Qualification: Registrered Physical Therapist The title is protected by the state,



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but the professional activity is not. The rules of professional conduct are determined directly by the state through national legislation. The physical therapist must be state registered and obtain a licence to practice. The Swedish physiotherapy association has established a code of ethics for physical therapists. The national authority responsible for the physiotherapy profession in Sweden is "The National Board of Health and Welfare". There are sufficient employment opportunities for physical therapists in Sweden at the moment.

### **Practice of physiotherapy:**

The physiotherapy services in Sweden are not determined by the profession. The physical therapist determines the clinical intervention of physiotherapy him/herself. Sweden offers both public and private physiotherapy services. The insurance cover for physiotherapy is paid through the national health care system.

### **Twinning:**

The Swedish association has not yet established any twinning program but herewith announces its wishes to do so.