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For the safety and well-being of future patients, practitioners should be licensed and trained with the same amount of hours as regular acupuncturist. Licensed acupuncturists in Oregon must complete 2,500 to 3,500 hours of training, including 800–1,000 hours of supervised clinical education. This far exceeds the 20–100 hours of training typically offered in dry needling courses for physical therapists. This discrepancy has serious implications for patient safety.