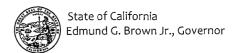


## **Board of Chiropractic Examiners**

# Licensing/Continuing Education/Public Relations Committee Meeting

October 2, 2014



## NOTICE OF TELECONFERENCE LICENSING, CONTINUING EDUCATION & PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING October 2, 2014

## 12:30 p.m.

One or more Committee Members will participate in this meeting at the teleconference sites listed below. Each teleconference location is accessible to the public and the public will be given an opportunity to address the Licensing, Continuing Education and Public Relations Committee at each teleconference location. The public teleconference sites for this meeting are as follows:

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#### <u>AGENDA</u>

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- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Minutes August 21, 2014
- 3. Update and Discussion on Possible Recognition of International Applicants
- 4. Review and Discussion Regarding Possible Revisions to the Continuing Education Regulations for Establishing Guidelines for Auditing Continuing Education Courses, Approving Continuing Education Providers and/or Recognizing Accrediting Agencies
- 5. Review and Discussion Regarding Creation of New Outreach Publications for the Board

#### 6. Public Comment

Note: The Committee may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during this public comment section that is not included on this agenda, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. [Government Code Sections 11125, 11125.7(a).] Public comment is encouraged; however, if time constraints mandate, comments may be limited at the discretion of the Chair.

- 7. Future Agenda Items
- 8. Adjournment

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## LICENSING, CONTINUING EDUCATION & PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Heather Dehn, D.C., Chair John Roza Jr., D.C. Corey Lichtman, D.C.

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## Board of Chiropractic Examiners TELECONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES Licensing, Continuing Education & Public Relations Committee August 21, 2014 901 P Street, Suite 142A Sacramento, CA 95814

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## **Committee Members Present**

Heather Dehn, D.C., Chair John Roza Jr., D.C. Corey Lichtman, D.C.

## **Staff Present**

Robert Puleo, Executive Officer Linda Shaw, Staff Services Manager Brianna Lauziere, Staff Services Analyst Maria Martinez, Supervising Special Investigator

## **Call to Order**

Dr. Dehn called the meeting to order at 12:39 P.M.

## Roll Call

Dr. Dehn called roll. All Board members were present except Dr. Roza who will be joining the meeting shortly.

## **Approval of Minutes**

MOTION: DR. DEHN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 26, 2014 LICENSING, CONTINUING EDUCATION & PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING WITH AMENDMENTS TO CHANGE THE SPELLING ON PAGE 2, PARAGRAPH 2, CREDITABLE TO CREDITING, PARAGRAPGH 5 AC CREDITING TO ACCREDITING, AND PARAGRAPH 6 CREDITING TO ACCREDITING. SECOND: DR. LICHTMAN SECONDED THE MOTION VOTE: 3-0 MOTION CARRIED

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# Update and Discussion on Council on Chiropractic Education's Meta-Analysis Project for Possible Recognition of International Applicants

Mr. Puleo spoke with Dr. John Scaringe and Dr. Craig Little from the Council on Chiropractic Education (CCE). They are still working on the Meta- Analysis Project. CCE is expected to report their findings at the end of 2014, early January of 2015. Mr. Puleo suggested inviting someone from CCE to the next committee meeting. Dr. Dehn thinks it is a good idea to have someone from the CCE present at our next meeting.

Dr. Dehn opened up the discussion to hiring someone to evaluate international schools. Mr. Puleo mentioned we would need to solicit bids on this type of outsource services. It would require detailed preparation to prepare a scope of work. Dr. Dehn would like to gather information from CCE on how they plan to help us recognize international applicants and their education in order to make a decision on whether we need to hire someone to evaluate international school criteria verses CCE's criteria. Dr. Dehn asked Ms. Shaw if this type of assignment would be feasible budget wise. Mr. Puleo stated that if an international school wishes to be accredited in California it should go through evaluation at their own expense.

Dr. Lichtman inquired on how many cases has the Board received for international students seeking licensure in California. Mr. Puleo indicated there has not been a huge demand. He stated his only option to give international applicants right now is for them to approach a California Board Approved Chiropractic school and have them evaluate their education. Some approved schools will allow foreign trained students to complete an abbreviated program and obtain a degree. Dr. Lichtman suggested taking it as a case by case. Dr. Dehn mentioned we do not have a protocol to go case by case. Ms. Shaw reported receiving about 3-5 inquires a year inquiring on how to get a Chiropractic License in California and about 2 applicants actually go to a Board approved College and take the appropriate courses to receive their certificate of completion. Dr. Lichtman suggested contacting California Board approved schools and asking what their protocol is for handling international students/applicants who want to become licensed in California. Dr. Roza agrees.

Mr. Puleo will invite someone from CCE to speak at our next committee meeting.

Ms. Julia Bishop from DCA's legislative office suggested reaching out to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE), as they act as an accrediting agency for CA schools and they would be able to give a ball park figure on how much it would cost to contract with a consultant. Mr. Puleo will call Joanne Wenzel, Chief of BPPE, and ask for her advice.

Review and Discussion Regarding Possible Revisions to the Continuing Education Regulations for Establishing Guidelines for Auditing Continuing Education Courses, Approving Continuing Education Providers and/or Recognizing Accrediting Agencies Dr. Dehn summarized from our last meeting that the Board's attorney, Kristy Schieldge, stated we do not have the authority to audit continuing education courses but can obverse the courses with a checklist to ensure they're complying with our regulations. Dr. Dehn stated that in order to move on with this process we have delegated this assignment to the BCE staff until we change the regulations and have more authority. Mr. Puleo introduced Maria Martinez, our newly appointed Supervising Special Investigator who will be assisting us with assessing new continuing education courses.

Dr. Dehn stated that when changing the regulations it would be helpful to state that the audit can also be assigned to non-staff members because the work load is so heavy with new providers and their courses.

Dr. Dehn, committee members, and staff reviewed the continuing education classroom and distance learning audit checklists.

Dr. Lichtman commented on the checklist, and suggested giving an official form from the Board that the students could fill out after completing the course with similar guidelines/questions. Dr. Dehn mentioned that Ms. Schieldge has expressed in the past that we could not get accurate feedback from chiropractors that pay for the course because they would be afraid to give their honest opinion in fear that they will not receive credit if the instructor was not in compliance.

Mr. Puleo will work with Ms. Martinez to assess the Investigators' workloads. He will update the committee at the next committee meeting.

Dr. Dehn would like the committee to review the meeting materials and be prepared to discuss them at our next committee meeting.

## Update Regarding Letter to Schools Insurance Authority and California Interscholastic Federation Relating to School Athletic Programs for Chiropractors to Perform Physical Examinations

Dr. Dehn stated that the letter has been written and will have Ms. Schieldge will review it next. After review it will go to Dr. Azzolino for signature.

## Review and Discussion Regarding Proposed Changes to Title 16, CCR §321-364 -Licensure and Renewal- Military

Ms. Shaw stated that at the last Board Meeting this application was referred to the Licensing Committee for review. The application and language have been reviewed and approved by Ms. Schieldge.

Dr. Dehn asked for any comments. With no further comments she asked for a motion.

## MOTION: DR. DEHN MOVED TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO TITLE 12, CCR §321-364 AND WILL RECOMMEND THE BOARD TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE RULEMAKING PACKAGE SECOND: DR. LICHTMAN SECOND THE MOTION VOTE 3-0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

## Update on the Progress of the Board's Biannual Newsletter

The committee members reviewed the final Summer/Fall 2014 Newsletter.

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Mr. Puleo showed the committee members post cards the Board created to send out to all chiropractors announcing that the newsletter will be available online. Ms. Shaw stated we will post the newsletter on our website next week and will post announcements on Facebook/Twitter. Dr. Dehn suggested we reproduce more postcards to send out to new licensees to inform them about our online newsletters. Mr. Puleo stated we will include the postcard with mailing of the new chiropractors parchments.

#### **Public Comment**

Dr. Kassie Donoghue, representing the California Chiropractic Association, came forward and spoke of a letter from Anthem/Blue Cross she received in regard to AB1000. The committee will be referring this matter to the Enforcement Committee for further discussion at an upcoming meeting.

#### Future Agenda Items

The Committee set the next meeting for October 2, 2014 at 12:30 P.M.

#### Adjournment

Dr. Dehn adjourned the meeting at 2:12 P.M.

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## Outreach: CA Chiropractic Colleges

#### Life Chiropractic College West

Deborah Lindemann, RN, BS, DC Dean of Students Direct 510.780.4500 x.2140 <u>dlindemann@lifewest.edu</u>

**Q**: Is there a standard or guideline that Life Chiropractic College West follows for international chiropractors or applicants?

**A:** We require the following:

- Outside Course by Course report transcript evaluations (usually from WES "World Education Services" – <u>www.wes.org</u>) for transcripts from outside of the U.S.A and Canada. Transcripts from U.S.A and Canada can be evaluated onsite.
- Verification of English if the applicant is a non-native English speaker. This can include completing the TOEFL with at least a score of 80 overall with a 21 in Listening Comprehension or completion of extensive studies/degree at a college/university where English was the medium of instruction.

Additionally International Students, after they have been fully accepted, must submit financial documentation proving they will have access to sufficient funds to support themselves during their first academic year of studies. This is a U.S government requirement prior to our being able to issue the I-20, which is the document they need to apply for F-1 visa status.

They must also complete all the same admission requirements as domestic students.

Q: Is there a term such as "Advanced Standing"?

The applicant may obtain another Doctor of Chiropractic degree without re-taking the entire curriculum by applying for "advanced standing" at a Board approved school. This generally means that the applicant (student) enrolls in a one-year curriculum as required by the Board approved school. If the student successfully completes the approved school's requirement for advanced standing, the student is presented a Doctor of Chiropractic degree from that school. (Submit new app, request the new degree and all other docs).

Please let me know if there is anything like this and if the process is any different.

**A:** It sounds like you would like to hear how we use the term "Advanced Standing" as it relates to international students.

We use "Advanced Standing" in a few ways.

- a. "Advanced Standing" is used for transfer students that have been attending a CCE accredited Chiropractic School or are attending a chiropractic program that is offered at a \*graduate level.
- b. "Advanced Standing" is used for prospective students that already have a professional degree, from an accredited professional school and license, i.e. MD or DDS

CCE requires that the student complete a <u>minimum</u> of one year at the degree granting institution. The "Advanced Standing" student can rarely complete the program in one year. The outpatient clinical experience is one year with another 6 months of student clinic and this is assuming that the student has all of the required course/advanced standing to make them eligible to enter the clinical portion of the program.

\*Graduate level - Most of the international chiropractic programs are at a Bachelors' level. These programs would NOT be eligible for "Advanced Standing". Student's that wish to attend LCCW from these schools must start at the beginning of the program. There are a few chiropractic programs, primarily in Europe that are at a Master's or higher level. Students from these schools would be eligible for "Advanced Standing".

## SCUHA (LACC) Jeff Corral JeffCorral@scuhs.edu

**Q:** Is there a standard or guideline that Los Angeles College of Chiropractic (LACC) follows for international chiropractors or applicants?

**A:** I can share a little about the process for international students. There is, of course, a step for international students to be admitted that domestic students must not complete. Financial responsibility, proof of health insurance, and other items are specific to international students.

The criteria for acceptance into our Doctor of Chiropractic program is the same for all students including those considered international. Minimum transfer credits, GPA, and science requirements must all be satisfied by every student prior to beginning their program.

Other than TOEFL and student visa requirements the process is identical. Furthermore, the cost of attendance is also the same for both domestic and international students.

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## Article 4. Approved Schools and Qualifications of Applicants

#### §331.11. Scholastic Regulations.

(e) Advanced Standing.

(1) Applicants for admission to advanced standing shall be required to furnish evidence to the school:

(A) That they can meet the same entrance requirements as candidates for the first year class;

(B) That courses equivalent in content and quality to those given in the admitting school in the year or years preceding that to which admission is desired have been satisfactorily completed;

(C) That the work was done in a chiropractic college acceptable to the committee on admissions of the college; and

(D) That the candidate has a letter of recommendation from the dean of the school from which transfer is made.

(2) Credits for work done in colleges of liberal arts and sciences will be allowed based on the regulations of the Council on Chiropractic Education.

(3) Credits for basic science subjects on the professional level shall be in accordance with the provisions of the regulations of the Council on Chiropractic Education.

(4) A student desiring to re-enter the college after a lapse in attendance of one or more years shall fulfill the entrance requirements applying to the class which he seeks to enter. Students whose education was interrupted by service in the armed forces are exempt from this requirement.

(5) For all such students admitted to advance standing there will be, therefore, on file with the registrar the same documents as required for admission to the first-year class and in addition a certified transcript of work completed, together with a letter of honorary dismissal from the college from which transfer was made.

(6) No candidate for a degree shall be accepted for less than one full academic year of resident study.

(f) Attendance. In order to obtain credit for a course, a student shall have been present in class at least 90 percent of the time and shall have received a passing letter grade. When the absence exceeds 10 percent, the student shall be automatically dropped from the class.

If the absences have been due to illness or other excusable reasons and if evidence of these reasons can be submitted, the student may apply for readmission through the dean's office and may be given credit for attendance upon the recommendation of his instructor and completion of course requirements.

Students shall be required to spend the last academic year of the course in residence in the college which confers the degree.

#### §331.12.1. Curriculum.

All applicants for the Board Examination who matriculated into a chiropractic college prior to the passage of Proposition 15 (November 3, 1976) shall fulfill the requirements of this section.

(a) Course of Study. The school shall have established curriculum which indicates objectives, content and methods of instruction for each subject offered.

(b) Required Hours and Subjects. The school shall offer, and shall require for graduation, a course of not less than 4,000 academic hours extended over a period of four school terms of not less than nine months each. Such course shall include the minimum educational requirements set forth in Section 5 of the Act. The minimum number of hours required in the basic subjects shall be as follows:

Anatomy including embryology (minimum of 480 hours), histology (minimum of 160 hours), and dissection (minimum of 160 hours)	800 hours
Physiology	320 hours
Biochemistry, inorganic and organic chemistry	320 hours
Pathology (minimum of 280 hours), bacteriology (minimum of 160 hours), and toxicology (minimum of 40 hours)	480 hours
Public health, hygiene and sanitation, and first aid	120 hours
Diagnosis (minimum of 480 hours), pediatrics (minimum of 40 hours), psychiatry (minimum of 40 hours), dermatology, syphilology and serology (minimum of 40 hours), and X-ray (minimum of 120 hours)	720 hours
Obstetrics and gynecology	120 hours

Principles and practice of chiropractic (minimum of 960 hours),

physiotherapy (minimum of 120 hours), and dietetics (minimum of 40 hours) 1,120 hours

(c) Subject Presentation. Laboratory teaching with actual student participation must be included in anatomy, dissection, histology, chemistry, physiology, bacteriology, pathology.

The classes shall be presented in a proper sequence so that the normal shall be presented first before the abnormal is to be considered (i.e., the student must learn anatomy, chemistry and physiology before he is taught pathology and diagnosis). The subject presentation should be of a nature and depth comparable to that found at State colleges in equivalent courses.

ANATOMY: Includes gross anatomy, dissection, embryology, and histology with particular emphasis on neurology.

PHYSIOLOGY: To include the physiology of blood and lymph, circulation, respiration, excretion, digestion, metabolism, endocrines, special senses and nervous system.

CHEMISTRY: To include inorganic and organic chemistry, physical chemistry, the chemistry of foods, digestion and metabolism.

PATHOLOGY AND BACTERIOLOGY: Pathology to include general and special pathology. Bacteriology to include parasitology and serology.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND HYGIENE AND SANITATION: To include sanitary and hygienic procedures, First Aid, prevention of disease and Public Health Department regulations.

DIAGNOSIS: To include physical, clinical, laboratory and differential diagnosis; pediatrics, geriatrics, dermatology, syphilology, psychology, psychiatry and roentgenology (technique and interpretation).

OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY: To include the standard routine diagnostic procedures, and clinical and laboratory examinations.

PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE OF CHIROPRACTIC, DIETETICS, PHYSIOTHERAPY, AND OFFICE PROCEDURE: To include history and principles of chiropractic, spinal analysis, adjustive techniques and orthopedics.

NUTRITION: To include dietetics and clinical nutrition, including primary and secondary nutritional deficiencies.

PHYSIOTHERAPY: To include the theory, principles and use of the standard recognized physiotherapy equipment and procedures.

OFFICE PROCEDURE: To include private office and case management, the writing and completion of reports and forms for insurance claims, and the provisions, rules and regulations of the Chiropractic Act.

(d) Additional Hours and Subjects. The school, if it desires, may offer and may require for graduation, course of more than 4,000 hours. Such additional hours may be in elective subjects.

(e) Clinics. Each student shall be provided with actual clinical experience in the examining, diagnosing, and treatment of patients. Said clinical experience shall include spinal analysis, palpation, chiropractic philosophy, symptomatology, laboratory diagnosis, physical diagnosis, X-ray interpretation, postural analysis, diagnostic impressions, and adjusting of various articulations of the body, psychological counseling, dietetics and physical therapy. Individual case files on each patient together with a record of dates and treatments given and student treating shall be kept and available to the board for inspection.

#### §331.12.2. Curriculum.

All applicants for licensure shall be required to comply with this section in order to qualify for a California chiropractic license.

(a) Course of Study: Every school shall have a curriculum which indicates objectives, content and methods of instruction for each subject offered.

(b) Required Hours and Subjects: Each applicant shall offer proof of completion of a course of instruction in a Board-approved chiropractic college of not less than 4,400 hours which includes minimum educational requirements set forth in Section 5 of the Act. The course of instruction completed by the applicant shall consist of no less than the following minimum hours, except as otherwise provided:

Group I	Anatomy, including embryology, histology and human dissection	616 hours
Group II	Physiology (must include laboratory work)	264 hours
Group III	Biochemistry, clinical nutrition, and dietetics	264 hours
Group IV	Pathology, bacteriology, and toxicology	440 hours
Group V	Public health, hygiene and sanitation, and emergency care	132 hours
Group VI	Diagnosis, including E.E.N.T. and serology, dermatology and sexually transmitted diseases, geriatrics, X-ray interpretation, and neurology	792 hours
Group VII	Obstetrics, gynecology, and pediatrics	132 hours
Group VIII	Principles and practice of chiropractic to include chiropractic technique, chiropractic philosophy, orthopedics, X-ray technique, and radiation protection Clinic, including office procedure Physiotherapy Psychiatry	430 hours 518 hours 120 hours 32 hours
Electives		660 hours

Total 4,400 hours

(c) Subject Presentation: Laboratory teaching with actual student participation shall be included in human dissection, histology, chemistry, physiology, bacteriology, pathology, X-ray and physiotherapy. Each school shall have and use at least one phantom or equivalent equipment for X-ray class and other courses as may be necessary for adequate teaching.

Classes shall be presented in proper academic sequence. Each student shall be taught micro and gross anatomy, human dissection, and physiology before pathology; biochemistry before or concurrent with physiology; and diagnosis before or concurrent with the study of pathology. Clinic hours shall be taken only after a student completes all hours in or concurrently with diagnosis.

(1) ANATOMY: To include gross anatomy, human dissection, embryology and histology.

(2) PHYSIOLOGY: To include the physiology of blood and lymph, circulation, respiration, excretion, digestion, metabolism, endocrines, special senses and nervous system.

(3) BIOCHEMISTRY AND NUTRITION: Biochemistry to include the chemistry of foods, digestion, and metabolism. Nutrition to include dietetics and clinical nutrition in the prevention and treatment of illnesses.

(4) PATHOLOGY AND BACTERIOLOGY: Pathology to include general and special pathology. Bacteriology to include parasitology and serology.

(5) PUBLIC HEALTH, HYGIENE, SANITATION AND EMERGENCY CARE: To include sanitary and hygienic procedures, First Aid, minor surgery, prevention of disease, and Public Health Department regulations.

(6) DIAGNOSIS: To include physical, clinical, laboratory and differential diagnosis; E.E.N.T., geriatrics, serology, dermatology, syphilology, roentgenology (technique and interpretation) and the rules and regulations of the Radiologic Technology Certification Committee of the State Department of Health Services.

(7) OBSTETRICS, GYNECOLOGY AND PEDIATRICS: To include the standard routine diagnostic procedures and clinical and laboratory examinations.

(8) PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE OF CHIROPRACTIC, DIETETICS, PHYSIOTHERAPY, AND OFFICE PROCEDURE: To include history and principles of chiropractic, spinal analysis, adjustive technique of all articulations of the body, orthopedics and patient counseling in curriculum subject matters.

(9) PHYSIOTHERAPY: To be eligible for licensure, each applicant must furnish proof satisfactory to the Board of successful completion of the required 120 hours of physiotherapy course work and additional clinical training in which the theory, principles and use of the standard recognized physiotherapy equipment and procedures were demonstrated to and used by the applicant. This shall include a minimum of thirty (30) patient office visits in which physiotherapy procedures are performed by the student on their own clinic patients. If physiotherapy course work is not offered by the chiropractic college where the student matriculated, the required instruction and clinical training in physiotherapy may be completed at another Board-approved chiropractic college, provided such course is a regular credit course offered primarily to matriculated students.

Physiotherapy course work not completed prior to graduation from chiropractic college may be fulfilled by course work taken subsequent to graduation at a Board-approved chiropractic college in conjunction with clinical training in physiotherapy offered by that college. Such course work and clinical training must be regular credit course work and clinical training offered primarily to matriculated students.

(10) OFFICE PROCEDURE: To include private office and case management, the writing and completion of reports and forms for insurance claims, and the provisions, rules and regulations of the Chiropractic Act, and the Radiologic Technology Certification Committee of the State Department of Health Services.

(d) Additional Hours and Subjects: It is recommended that a school offer elective subjects, including chiropractic meridian therapy, counseling, hypnotherapy and biofeedback. The school may offer and require for graduation courses of more than 4,400 hours.

(e) Clinics: Each student shall be provided with actual clinical experience in the examining, diagnosing, and treatment of patients. Such clinical experience shall include spinal analysis, palpation, chiropractic philosophy, symptomatology, laboratory diagnosis, physical diagnosis, X-ray interpretation, postural analysis, diagnostic impressions, and adjusting of various articulations of the body, psychological counseling and dietetics.

Individual case files on each patient together with a record of dates and treatments given and student treating shall be kept and available to the board for inspection.

Clinical hours, as described in this section, including those relating to physiotherapy, must be completed in a clinic operated or supervised by a chiropractic college.

Each student shall be required to complete, as a minimum for graduation, the following:

(1) Twenty-five (25) physical examinations of which at least ten (10) are of outside (not student) patients.

A physical examination shall include an evaluation of all vital signs, case history, orthopedic and neurological testing.

Students shall also have practical clinical laboratory training, including twenty-five (25) urinalyses, twenty (20) complete blood counts (CBCs), ten (10) blood chemistries, and thirty (30) X-ray examinations. Students shall perform ten (10) proctological and ten (10) gynecological examinations. Proctological and gynecological examinations may be performed on a phantom approved by the Board. Gynecological and proctological examinations not completed prior to graduation may be completed after graduation at a Board-approved chiropractic college.

(2) Students shall perform a minimum of two hundred and fifty (250) patient treatments (visits), including diagnostic procedures, chiropractic adjustive technique and patient evaluation.

(3) Written interpretation of at least thirty (30) different X-ray views, either slide or film, while a senior in the clinic, in addition to other classroom requirements which shall include the spinal column, all other articulations of the body, and soft tissue.

(4) Minimum of five hundred eighteen (518) hours of practical clinical experience (treating patients in the clinic).

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#### Article 6. Continuing Education

#### 360. Continuing Education Fees.

The following represents fees for continuing education:

- (a) Continuing Education Provider Application Fee: \$75
- (b) Biennial Continuing Education Provider Renewal Fee: \$50
- (c) Continuing Education Course Application Fee: \$50 per course. A course is defined in Section 363.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 1000-4(b) and 1000-4(e), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii), Reference: Section 1000-4(b), 1000-10(a), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii).

#### 361. Continuing Education Requirements.

(a) For purposes of this section, "implementation date" means two years following June 8, 2011.

(b) For license renewals that expire on or after June 8, 2013, the number of required hours of continuing education courses shall be twenty-four (24). For license renewals that expire prior to June 8, 2013, the number of required hours of continuing education courses shall be twelve (12).

(c) For license renewals that expire on or after June 8, 2013, a maximum of twelve (12) continuing education hours may be completed through distance learning as defined in Section 363.1. For license renewals that expire prior to June 8, 2013, a maximum of six (6) continuing education hours may be completed through distance learning as defined in Section 363.1.

(d) Any continuing education hours accumulated before June 8, 2011 that meet the requirements in effect on the date the hours were accumulated will be accepted by the board for license renewals.

(e) On or after June 8, 2013, licensees shall complete a minimum of two (2) hours in

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subdivision (g)(11) - Ethics and Law, a minimum of four (4) hours in any one of, or a combination of, the subject areas specified in subdivision (g)(3) – History Taking and Physical Examination Procedures, subdivision (g)(5) – Chiropractic Adjustive Techniques or Chiropractic Manipulation Techniques, or subdivision (g)(10) – Proper and Ethical Billing and Coding.

(f) With the exception of the mandatory hours referenced in subdivision (e), the remaining eighteen (18) hours of additional continuing education requirements may be met by taking courses in any of the subject areas listed in subdivision (g) or courses taken pursuant to subdivision (h). The eighteen (18) hours may include any combination of continuing education courses in subject areas specified in either subdivision (g) or approved by agencies specified in subdivision (h). By way of example, a licensee may take eight (8) hours of continuing education courses in subject areas listed in subdivision (g), that are approved by the board, and ten (10) hours of continuing education courses that are approved by the California Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Workers Compensation pursuant to subparagraph (1) of subdivision (h).

(g) Courses approved by the board shall be limited to the following subject areas:

1. Philosophy of chiropractic, including the historical development of chiropractic as an art and science and health care approach; the vertebral subluxation complex and somato-visceral reflexes including their relationships between disease and health; and other chiropractic theory and philosophy.

2. Instruction in basic sciences of anatomy, histology, neurology, physiology, nutrition, pathology, biochemistry or toxicology.

3. Instruction in various basic to comprehensive history taking and physical examination procedures, including but not limited to orthopedic, neurological and general diagnosis related to evaluation of the neuro-musculoskeletal systems, and includes general diagnosis and differential diagnosis of all conditions that affect the human body.

4. Diagnostic testing procedures, interpretation and technologies that aid in differential diagnosis of all conditions that affect the human body.

5. Chiropractic adjustive techniques or chiropractic manipulation techniques.

6. Pain management theory, including, but not limited to, current trends in treatment and instruction in the physiology and anatomy of acute, sub-acute and chronic pain.

7. Physiotherapy.

8. Instruction in Manipulation Under Anesthesia including the safe handling of patients under anesthesia.

9. Instruction in the aspects of special population care, including, but not limited to, geriatric, pediatric, and athletic care as related to the practice of chiropractic.

10. Instruction in proper and ethical billing and coding, including accurate and effective record keeping and documentation of evaluation, treatment and progress of a patient. This is not to include practice building or patient recruitment/retention or business techniques or principles that teach concepts to increase patient visits or patient fees per case.

11. Ethics and law: including but not limited to: truth in advertising; professional boundaries; mandatory reporting requirements for child abuse/neglect, elder abuse/neglect; spousal or cohabitant abuse/neglect; sexual boundaries between patient and doctors; review of the specific laws, rules and regulations related to the practice of chiropractic in the State of California.

12. Adverse event avoidance, including reduction of potential malpractice issues.

13. Pharmacology, including side effects, drug interactions and the pharmodynamics of various commonly prescribed and over-the-counter drugs; drug reactions and interactions with herbs, vitamins and nutritional supplements; blood and urinalysis testing used in the diagnosis and detection of disease, including use of and interpretation of drug testing strips or kits utilizing urinalysis, saliva, hair and nail clippings.

14. A licensee may earn up to a maximum of two (2) hours of continuing education credit in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, basic life support or use of an automated external defibrillator.

15. Board Meeting: A licensee may earn a maximum of four (4) hours of continuing education credit per renewal period for attending a full board meeting that includes the hearing of cases related to petitioners seeking the reinstatement of revoked licenses or early termination of probationary licenses. A petitioner may not earn any continuing education hours for attending a board meeting on the same day in which said petitioner's hearing is conducted. The attendance of a licensee at a board meeting under this subparagraph shall be monitored and confirmed by board staff designated by the Executive Officer.

16. Any of the following as related to the practice of chiropractic:

A) Principles of practice.

B) Wellness. (prevention, health maintenance)

C) Rehabilitation.

D) Public health.

(h) With the exception of the mandatory courses specified in subdivision (e), the remaining continuing education requirements may be met by taking continuing education courses, including distance learning, that are approved by either of the following:

1) The California Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Workers Compensation.

2) Any Healing Arts Board or Bureau within Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code or approved by any organization authorized to approve continuing education by any Healing Arts Board or Bureau in Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code.
(i) The continuing education providers and courses referenced in subdivision (h) do not need to be approved by the Board for credit to be granted nor do they need to meet the requirements contained in Sections 362, 363, and 363.1.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 1000-4(b) and 1000-4(e), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii). Reference: Sections 1000-4(b) and 1000-10(a), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii).

#### 362. Continuing Education Provider Approval, Duties, and Responsibilities.

(a) CONTINUING EDUCATION PROVIDER DENIAL AND APPEAL PROCESS: If an application is denied under this section, the applicant shall be notified in writing of the reason(s) for the denial. The applicant may request an informal hearing with the Executive Officer regarding the reasons stated in the denial notification. The appeal must be filed within 30 days of the date of the denial notification.

The Executive Officer shall schedule the informal hearing within 30 days of receipt of the appeal request. Within 10 days following the informal hearing, the Executive Officer shall provide written notification of his or her decision to the denied applicant. If the Executive Officer upholds a denial under this section, the applicant may, within 30 days of the date of the Executive Officer's denial notification, request a hearing before the board to appeal the denial. The Executive Officer shall schedule the requested hearing at a future board meeting but not later than 180 days following receipt of the request. Within 10 days of the hearing before the board, the Executive Officer shall provide written notification of the board's decision to the applicant. The board's decision shall be the final order in the matter.

(b) As used in this section, a provider is an individual, partnership, corporation, professional association, college or any other entity approved by the board to offer board approved continuing education courses to licensees to meet the annual continuing education requirements set forth in Section 361 of these regulations.

(c)(1) To apply to become an approved provider, an applicant shall complete and submit a "Continuing Education Provider Application" form (Revision date 02/10) which is hereby incorporated by reference, and pay the fee specified in Section 360(a). Applications for approval shall be submitted to the board office at least 30 days prior to a scheduled board meeting. Providers with applications that are incomplete will be notified of the deficiencies in writing within three (3) weeks from the date of receipt. Complete applications will be reviewed at the scheduled board meeting and notification of the board's decision will be provided in writing within two (2) weeks following the board meeting.

(2) The approval of the provider shall expire two (2) years after it is issued by the board and may be renewed upon the filing of the "Continuing Education Provider Application" form (Revision date 02/10) and fee specified in Section 360(b).

(3) Providers who were approved by the board prior to June 8, 2011 of this regulation shall renew their provider status two years from June 8, 2011 by filing of the "Continuing Education Provider Application" form (Revision date 02/10) and fee specified in Section 360(b).

(4) The board will not process incomplete applications nor applications that do not include the correct application fee.

(d) Providers shall:

(1) Identify an individual responsible for overseeing all continuing education activities of the provider.

(2) Provide a course roster to the board, within 30 days, upon written request. Course rosters shall include the names of all licensees, license numbers, and e-mail addresses if available. Failure to submit the roster upon written request within thirty (30) days may result in the withdrawal or denial of previous course approval and withdrawal of provider status. Providers shall maintain the course roster for four (4) years from the date of completion of the course.

(3) Maintain course instructor curriculum vitae or resumes for four (4) years.

(4) Disclose to prospective participants the names of the individuals or organizations, if any, who have underwritten or subsidized the course. Providers may not advertise, market, or display materials or items for sale inside the room while the actual instruction is taking place. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to prohibit a provider from mentioning a specific product or service solely for educational purposes.

(5) Inform the board in writing immediately of any change to the date, time or location of the course.

(6) Provide a certificate of completion to licensees within 30 days following completion of the continuing education course. Providers shall retain records of course completion for four (4) years from the date of completion and provide records of completion to the Board within thirty (30) days, upon written request. The certificate shall include the following information:

(A) Name and address of provider.

(B) Course title.

(C) Course approval number.

(D) Date(s) and location of course.

(E) Licensee name.

(F) License number.

(G) Printed name and signature of the provider's designated representative.

(H) Number of hours the licensee earned in continuing education, including the type of mandatory hours, and whether the hours were obtained in classroom instruction or distance learning.

(e) The Executive Officer, after notification, may withdraw approval of any continuing education provider for good cause, including, but not limited to, violations of any provision of the regulation or falsification of information, and shall provide written notification of such action to the provider. The provider may request an informal hearing with the Executive Officer regarding the reasons for withdrawal of approval stated in the Executive Officer's notification. The appeal must be filed within 30 days of the date of the notification. The Executive Officer shall schedule the informal hearing within 30 days of receipt of the appeal request. Within 10 days following the informal hearing, the Executive Officer shall provide written notification of his or her decision to the provider. If the Executive Officer upholds his or her decision under this subsection, the provider may, within 30 days of the date of the Executive Officer's notification, request a hearing before the board to appeal the Executive Officer's decision. The Executive Officer shall schedule the requested hearing at a future board meeting but not later than 180 days following receipt of the request. Within 10 days of the hearing before the board, the Executive Officer shall provide written notification of the board's decision to the provider. The board's decision shall be the final order in the matter.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 1000-4(b) and 1000-4(e), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii). Reference: Sections 1000-4(b) and 1000-10(a), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii).

#### 363. Approval of Continuing Education Courses.

(a) Providers must complete and submit a "Continuing Education Course Application" form (Revision date 02/10) which is hereby incorporated by reference, and pay the non-refundable application fee as provided by Section 360(c) at least 45 days prior to the date of the course. Providers shall submit and complete one application for each continuing education course being offered.

(b) A "course" is defined as an approved program of coordinated instruction in any one of the subject areas as defined in Section 361(g) and given by an approved Provider. Once approved, a course may be given any number of times for one year following approval, with the single continuing education course fee paid one time annually by the provider. A course may not consist of more than one subject area as defined in Section 361(g).

(c) The following documentation shall be submitted with each Continuing Education Course Application:

(1) An hourly breakdown of the continuing education course;

(2) A final copy of the syllabus/course schedule including seminar name, date and location of seminar, instructor(s) name, course description, educational objectives, teaching methods, course schedule/outline, recommended reading, disclosure of expenses underwritten or subsidized by vendors of any goods, and supplies or services;

(3) A copy of the course brochure and all other promotional material to be used;

(4) A curriculum vitae for each instructor including the instructor's name and address; the type of educational degree including the name of the college and year the degree was received; license information including status and name of licensing agency; certification including status and name of certifying agency; the type, location and years of practical experience; the type, location and years of teaching experience; the type, location and years of other relevant experience; and the title, journal, and date of publications.

(d) DENIAL AND APPEAL PROCESS: If a course application is denied under this section, the applicant shall be notified in writing of the reason(s) for the denial. The applicant may request an informal hearing regarding the reasons stated in their denial notification, with the Executive Officer. The appeal must be filed within 30 days of the date of the denial notification.

The Executive Officer shall schedule the informal hearing within 30 days of receipt of the appeal request. Within 10 days following the informal hearing, the Executive Officer shall provide written notification of his or her decision to the denied applicant. If the

Executive Officer upholds a denial under this section, the applicant may, within 30 days of the date of the Executive Officer's denial notification, request a hearing before the board to appeal the denial. The Executive Officer shall schedule the requested hearing at a future board meeting but not later than 180 days following receipt of the request.

Within 10 days of the hearing before the board, the Executive Officer shall provide written notification of the board's decision to the applicant. The board's decision shall be the final order in the matter.

(e) Only those courses that meet the following shall be approved:

(1) No more than twelve (12) hours of continuing education credit shall be awarded to an individual licensee for coursework completed on a specific date.

(2) Each hour of continuing education credit shall be based on at least fifty (50) minutes of participation in an organized learning experience. Class breaks shall be at the discretion of the instructor and shall not count towards a course hour. Providers shall furnish a sign-in sheet that contains the course date(s), each licensee's name, license number, and designated space for each licensee to sign in at the beginning and conclusion of the course each day. Furthermore, the form shall state that a licensee by signing their name on that sheet, is declaring under penalty of perjury, that they personally attended the stated course, on the listed date(s) and they personally attended the start and conclusion of each day's coursework, and failure to do so may invalidate credit for that day's coursework. Providers shall retain sign-in sheets for four (4) years from the date of course completion and shall provide copies to the Board within thirty (30) days upon written request.

(f) The board shall not approve the following subjects for continuing education courses: financial management, income generation, practice building, collections, self-motivation, and patient recruitment.

(g) If a provider makes a substantive change in content of an approved course, he or she shall notify the board as soon as possible of the changes prior to giving the course. A new application may be required as determined by the Executive Officer.

(h) The Executive Officer, after notification, may withdraw approval of any continuing education course for good cause, including, but not limited to, violations of any provision of this regulation or falsification of information and shall provide written notification of such action to the provider. The provider may request an informal hearing with the Executive Officer regarding the reasons for withdrawal of approval stated in the Executive Officer's notification. The appeal must be filed within 30 days of the date of the notification. The Executive Officer shall schedule the informal hearing within 30 days of receipt of the appeal request. Within 10 days following the informal hearing, the Executive Officer shall provide written notification of his or her decision to the provider. If the Executive Officer upholds his or her decision under this subsection, the provider

may, within 30 days of the date of the Executive Officer's notification, request a hearing before the board to appeal the Executive Officer's decision. The Executive Officer shall schedule the requested hearing at a future board meeting but not later than 180 days following receipt of the request. Within 10 days of the hearing before the board, the Executive Officer shall provide written notification of the board's decision to the provider. The board's decision shall be the final order in the matter.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections  $1000-4(b)_{\tau}$  and 1000-4(e), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii). Reference: Sections  $1000-4(b)_{\tau}$  and 1000-10(a), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii).

#### 363.1 Distance Learning Courses

In addition to the applicable requirements of Sections 362 and 363, providers of continuing education courses offered through distance learning formats, including, but not limited to, computer, Internet, manuals, compact disks, digital video, versatile discs, and audio and video tapes, shall meet all of the following:

(a) Disclose course instructors' curriculum vitae or resumes.

(b) Explain the appropriate level of technology required for a student licensee to successfully participate in the course.

(c) Make available technical assistance as appropriate to the format.

(d) Contain security measures to protect the learner's identity, course and related content from unauthorized access.

(e) Establish a deadline for completion.

(f) Review instructional materials annually to ensure the content is current and relevant.

(g) The continuing education provider shall notify the licensee when he or she is leaving a continuing education site and directed to a promotional or sponsored site. Course material may not endorse manufacturers, distributors, or other sellers of chiropractic products or services. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to prohibit a provider from mentioning a specific product or service solely for educational purposes.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 1000-4(b) and 1000-4(e), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii). Reference: Section 1000-4(b) and 1000-10(a), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii).

#### 364. Exemptions and Reduction of Requirement.

A licensee may qualify for a full or partial exemption, from the continuing education requirements of Section 361 if a licensee meets any of the criterion listed below:

(a) A licensee who holds a license on inactive status is not required to complete continuing education on an annual basis; however, they must provide proof of completion of the required continuing education hours prior to activating their license as specified in Section 371(f);

(b) A new licensee is exempt from continuing education requirements in the year of initial licensure;

(c) An instructor who has taught for one (1) year and currently teaches core curriculum courses for more than eight (8) credit hours per week at any Council on Chiropractic Education accredited college for at least six (6) months during any license renewal period year shall be exempt from continuing education.

(d) A licensee who teaches a board-approved continuing education course may earn one (1) hour of continuing education credit for each hour of lecture up to 24 hours per year.

(e) Notwithstanding Section 361(c), a licensee who is unable to attend continuing education courses due to a physical disability and provides written certification from a primary health care provider may earn all 24 hours of continuing education credits for the period of the license renewal through Board-approved distance learning courses as defined in Section 363.1.

(f) A licensee who participates as an examiner for the entire part four portion of the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) examinations shall receive a maximum of six (6) hours of continuing education credit for each examination period conducted by the NBCE during the license renewal period. The licensee must provide written certification from the NBCE confirming the licensee has met the requirements of this subsection.

(g) An active Board Members. A professional board member who has served one full year on the Board of Chiropractic Examiners shall be exempt from the continuing education requirement in each year of board member service.

(h) Notwithstanding Section 361(c), a licensee on active duty with a branch of the armed forces of the United States shall be permitted to take all twenty-four (24) hours of required continuing education through board-approved distance learning courses as defined in Section 363.1.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 1000-4(b), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii).

Reference: Sections 1000-4(b) and 1000-4(e), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii).

#### 365. Revoked Licenses.

Any person making application for reinstatement or restoration of a license which has been revoked shall be required to fulfill the continuing education requirements for each year the license was revoked and may be required to complete an approved course of continuing education, or to complete such study or training as the board deems appropriate.

NOTE: Authority cited: Section 1000-4(b), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii). Reference: Sections 1000-4(b), 1000-4(e) and 1000-10, Business and Professions

Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California Stats. 1923 p. 1xxxviii).

#### 366. Continuing Education Audits.

The Board shall conduct random audits to verify compliance with Continuing Education requirements of active licensees. Licensees shall secure and retain certificates of completion issued to them at the time of attendance of approved Continuing Education courses for a period of four (4) years from their last renewal and shall forward these documents to the Board upon request.

Licensees who fail to retain certificates of completion shall obtain duplicate certificates, from approved Continuing Education providers, who shall issue duplicates only to licensees whose names appear on the providers' rosters of course attendees. The certificates of completion shall be clearly marked "duplicate" and shall contain the information specified in Section 362(d)(6.

Licensees who furnish false or misleading information to the Board regarding their Continuing Education hours shall be subject to disciplinary action. Providers who provide false or inaccurate verification of a licensee's participation may lose their provider status for up to ten (10) years, at the discretion of the Executive Officer. The full board's ruling, as described in Section 362(e), shall be the final order on the matter.

The board or its designee shall not be restricted from inspecting, observing, or auditing any approved chiropractic course in progress, at no charge.

The board, at its discretion, may contact attendees after a continuing education course as part of the board's auditing process to obtain information regarding the quality and content of the course.

NOTE: Authority cited: Section 1000-4(b), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California, Stats. 1923, p. 1xxxviii).

Reference: Sections 1000-4(b), 1000-4(e) and 1000-10, Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California, Stats. 1923, p. <u>1</u>xxxviii).

#### Article 7.5. License Renewal Requirements

#### 370. License Renewal Fees.

The following represents fees for license renewals:

(a) Annual license renewal for active and inactive licenses: \$250

(b) License restoration for forfeited and cancelled licenses: double the annual renewal fee

(c) Inactive to active status license renewal: same as the annual license renewal fee

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 1000-4(b) and 1000-10, Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California, Stats. 1923, p. 1xxxviii). Reference: Sections 1000-4(b), 1000-10 and 1000-12, Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California, Stats. 1923, p. 1xxxviii).

#### 371. Annual License Renewals and Restoration.

(a) This section shall apply to non-disciplinary license renewal and restoration. Disciplinary license restoration conditions are defined in Section 1000-10 of the Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California, Stats. 1923 p.1xxxviii).

(b) A license shall expire annually on the last day of the licensee's birth month. For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) "License in forfeiture" is a license that has not been renewed within 60 days following its expiration date.

(2) "Inactive license" has the meaning specified in Business and Professions Code 700.

(3) "Cancelled license" is a license that has been expired for a period of three (3) consecutive years.

(c) To renew an active license, a licensee shall complete and submit a "Renewal" form (R1HDC, Rev. June 8, 2011), which is incorporated by reference, pay the appropriate fee specified in Section 370(a) prior to the expiration date of the license, and complete

the board's continuing education requirements that were in effect during the license renewal period.

(d) To renew an inactive license, a licensee shall complete and submit a "Renewal" form (R1HDC, Rev. June 8, 2011) and pay the appropriate fee specified in Section 370(a) prior to the expiration date of the license.

(e) To renew and restore a license in forfeiture, a licensee shall complete and submit a "Forfeiture Notice" form (D1HDC, Rev. June 8, 2011) and an "Application for Restoration of License" form (Revision date 04/11), which are incorporated by reference, pay the appropriate fees specified in Section 370(b) and have met one of the following continuing education requirements:

(1) Completed the board's continuing education requirements that were in effect at the time of each license renewal period;

(2) Practiced in another state under an active valid license and completed all continuing education requirements for that state for each license renewal period the license was expired;

(3) Passed the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) Special Purposes Examination for Chiropractic examination within six (6) months prior to submitting the Application for Restoration of License.

(f) To restore an inactive license to active status, a licensee shall complete and submit an "Inactive to Active Status Application" form (Revision date 02/10), which is incorporated by reference, pay the appropriate fee specified in Section 370(c) prior to the expiration date of the license, and complete continuing education equivalent to that required for a single license renewal period.

(g) To restore a cancelled license, a licensee shall complete and submit an "Application for Restoration of License" form (Revision date 04/11), pay the appropriate fee specified in Section 370(b), and have met one of the following continuing education requirements:
(1) Completed the board's continuing education requirements that were in effect at the time of each license renewal period;

(2) Practiced in another state under an active valid license and completed all continuing education requirements for that state for each license renewal period the license was expired;

(3) Passed the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) Special Purposes Examination for Chiropractic examination within six (6) months prior to submitting the Application for Restoration of License.

(h) The board will not process incomplete applications nor complete applications that do not include the correct fee as specified in Section 370.

(i) In addition to any other requirement for renewal or restoration of a license, a licensee shall disclose whether, since the last renewal of his or her license, he or she has been convicted of any violation of the law in this or any other state, the United States, or other country. However, licensees are not required to disclose traffic infractions that resulted in fines of less than five hundred dollars (\$500) that did not involve alcohol, dangerous drugs, or controlled substances.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 1000-4(b) and 1000-10(a), Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California, Stats. 1923, p. 1xxxviii). Reference: Sections 1000-4(b), 1000-10 and 1000-12, Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California, Stats. 1923, p. 1xxxviii) and Penal Code Sections 11105 and 11105.2.

#### 372. Continued Jurisdiction of a License.

The suspension, expiration, or forfeiture by operation of law of a license issued by the board, or its suspension, or forfeiture, by order of the board or by order of a court of law, or its surrender without the written consent of the board shall not, during any period in which it may be renewed, restored, reissued, or reinstated, deprive the board of its authority to institute or continue a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee upon any ground provided by law or to enter an order suspending or revoking the license or otherwise taking disciplinary action against the licensee on any such ground.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 1000-4(b) and 1000-10, Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California, Stats. 1923, p. 1xxxviii). Reference: Sections 1000-4(b) and 1000-10, Business and Professions Code (Chiropractic Initiative Act of California, Stats. 1923, p. 1xxxviii).

## **Psychology Regulations**

California Code of Regulation Title 16 Division 13.1

Article 10 Continuing Education

#### § 1397.61. Continuing Education Requirements

(c) The Board recognizes and accepts for continuing education credit courses pursuant to this section. A licensee will earn one hour continuing education credit for each hour of approved instruction.

(1) Continuing education courses shall be:

(A) Provided by American Psychological Association (APA), or its approved sponsors;

(B) Continuing Medical Education (CME) courses specifically applicable and pertinent to the practice of psychology and that are accredited by the California Medical Association (CMA) or the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME); or

(C) Provided by the California Psychological Association, or its approved sponsors.(D) Approved by an accrediting agency for continuing education courses taken prior to January

1, 2013, pursuant to this section as it existed prior to January 1, 2013.

(d) Examination Functions. A licensee who serves the Board as a selected participant in any examination development related function will receive one hour of continuing education credit for each hour served. Selected Board experts will receive one hour of continuing education credit for each hour attending Board sponsored Expert Training Seminars. A licensee who receives approved continuing education credit as set forth in this paragraph shall maintain a record of hours served for submission to the Board pursuant to section 1397.61(e).

#### § 1397.64. Accreditation Agencies

(a) Upon written application to the board, continuing education accreditation agencies will be recognized if the board determines that the organization meets the criteria set forth in section 2915(f) of the code and:

(1) The organization submits a plan demonstrating that it has the capacity to evaluate each continuing education provider's course in accordance with the following criteria:

(A) Topics and subject matter shall be pertinent to the practice of psychology. Courses predominantly focused on business issues, or marketing, or that are predominantly designed to explore opportunities for personal growth are not eligible for credit. Course material must have a relevance or direct application to a consumer of psychological services.

(B) Each continuing education course shall have written educational goals and specific learning objectives which are measurable and which serve as a basis for an evaluation of the effectiveness of the course.

(C) Instructors shall be competent in the subject matter of the course and shall be qualified by education, training, experience, scope of practice and licensure.

(D) Each continuing education course shall have a syllabus which provides a general outline of the course.

(E) When an approved provider works with others on the development, distribution and/or presentation of a continuing education course (joint sponsorship), there shall be procedures to identify and document the functions of each participating party.

(F) An evaluation mechanism shall be completed by each participant to evaluate the continuing education course.

(2) The accreditation agency agrees to perform the following:

(A) Maintain a list of the names and addresses of the persons designated as responsible for the provider's continuing education courses and records. The accreditation agency shall require that any change in the designated responsible person's identity shall be reported to the agency within 30 days of the effective date of such change.

(B) Notify the board of names, addresses and responsible party of each provider and each course on a quarterly basis. Provide without charge to any licensee who makes a request, a current list of providers and approved courses.

(C) Verify attendance of licentiates at specific courses by maintaining a record of approved continuing education courses completed by licensees. The record must include the licensees' name and license number, and all agency approved continuing education courses successfully completed by each licensee. In addition, and for an activity reporting fee paid by the licensee and on forms acceptable to the agency (see form No. 07M-BOP-15(New 10/94)), incorporate into licensee's record all non-agency approved continuing education courses as defined in sections 1397.61 and 1397.63 of these regulations. The accreditation agency shall provide a copy of this combined record to the board upon request. The records must be retrievable by license number.

(D) Respond to complaints from the board concerning activities of any of its approved providers or their course(s). Respond to complaints and inquiries regarding providers, courses, and general continuing education questions presented by any licensee. The accreditation agency shall provide services to all licensees without discrimination.

(E) Audit at least 10% of the continuing education courses approved by the agency, for compliance with the agency's requirements and requirements of the board, and on request, report the findings of such audits to the board.

(F) Take such action as is necessary to assure that the continuing education course material offered by its providers meets the continuing education requirements of the board as defined in sections 1397.64(a)(1) and 1397.65 of these regulations.

(G) Establish a procedure for reconsideration of its decision that a provider or a provider's course does not meet statutory or regulatory criteria.

(b) Failure of a recognized accreditation agency to substantially comply with the provisions as set forth in this article shall constitute cause for revocation of recognition by the board. Recognition can be revoked only by a formal board action, after notice and hearing, and for good cause.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 2915(g) and 2930, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Section 2915, Business and Professions Code.

## Psychology Licensing and Related Laws

# Continuing Education Requirements; Practice Outside Fields of Competence

§ 2915. (d)(3) Continuing education instruction approved to meet the requirements of this section shall be completed within the State of California, or shall be approved for continuing education credit by the American Psychological Association or its equivalent as approved by the board.

**§ 2915. (e)** The board may establish a policy for exceptions from the continuing education requirement of this section.

**§ 2915. (f)** The board may recognize continuing education courses that have been approved by one or more private nonprofit organizations that have at least 10 years' BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE 53 experience managing continuing education programs for psychologists on a statewide basis, including, but not limited to:

(1) Maintaining and managing related records and data.

(2) Monitoring and approving courses.

(g) The board shall adopt regulations as necessary for implementation of this section.

## **Physical Therapy Regulations**

#### California Code of Regulations Title 16 Division 13.2

Article 13.

Continuing Competency and Inactive License Status 1399.90 - 1399.99

#### § 1399.95. Standards for Approval Agencies.

(a) An approval agency may be recognized by the board only if the approval agency has met the standards in this section. Once recognized, an approval agency may approve a provider operating consistent with section 1399.96.

(b) Each approval agency must have the capacity to evaluate each course offered by a provider in accordance with section 1399.96 and shall conduct audits of at least 10% of its approved providers' courses to ensure compliance with this article.

(c) Each approval agency has a procedure for periodic review of courses to ensure content quality and currency.

(d) Each approval agency shall have a procedure to respond to complaints.

(e) Each approval agency shall provide services to all persons or entities without unlawful discrimination.

(f) Each approval agency that also offers continuing education courses directly to a licensee shall have a means to avoid a conflict of interest between its function as a provider and its function as an approval agency.

(g) Each approval agency offering retroactive approval for a course must evaluate the course for compliance with the standards relating to courses found in 1399.96. The approval agency shall comply with the record retention requirements of 1399.96(j).

(h) Upon written confirmation from the board that an approval agency has been recognized, the approval agency may advertise that it has been recognized by the board.

(i) The board may require the approval agency to submit records demonstrating its compliance with this article.

(j) Failure of an approval agency to substantially comply with the provisions as set forth in this section, or a material misrepresentation to the board, shall constitute cause for withdrawal of recognition by the board. Recognition can be revoked only by the members of the board, after written notice setting forth the reasons for withdrawal and after affording a reasonable opportunity for the approval agency to be heard.

NOTE: Authority: Sections 2615 and 2676, Business and Professions Code.

#### § 1399.96. Standards for Approved Providers.

Before it may approve a provider, the approval agency shall require that the provider adhere to the following requirements:

(a) Topics and subject matter for each course shall be pertinent to the practice of physical therapy as required by section 1399.92.

(b) Instructors for each course shall be competent in the subject matter and shall be qualified by appropriate education, training, experience, scope of practice or licensure.

(c) Each course shall have a syllabus that includes learning objectives, bibliography and either a schedule, for courses offered in-person, or an outline, for courses offered online.

(d) Each course shall have written educational goals and specific learning objectives which are

measurable and which serve as a basis for an evaluation of the effectiveness of the course. (e) When an approved provider works with others on the development, distribution and/or presentation of a continuing education course (joint sponsorship), there shall be procedures to identify and document the functions of each participating party.

(f) Each approved provider shall periodically review its courses to ensure content quality and currency.

(g) Each participant shall be given the opportunity to evaluate each course and offer feedback to the approved provider. The approved provider shall consider any such evaluations for the purpose of updating or revising courses.

(h) Each approved provider has a procedure to respond to complaints.

(i) Each approved provider provides services to all licensees without unlawful discrimination.

(j) Each approved provider shall maintain records regarding course content and licensee attendance for a minimum of seven years.

(k) Each approved provider and instructor shall disclose any financial interest in products recommended during a course.

(I) Each approved provider shall provide a certificate of completion to attendees.

(m) Each approved provider shall ensure that any information it disseminates publicizing its continuing education courses is true and not misleading. Such information shall include a statement with the name of the approval agency, that such agency may be contacted about any concerns, any approved provider identification number, and the number of hours for which the course has been approved.

NOTE: Authority: Sections 2615 and 2676, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Section 2676 and 2684, Business and Professions Code.

## **Dental Board Regulations**

#### California Code of Regulations Title 16 Division 10

Article 14 Continuing Education Section 1016. Providers and Courses.

#### § 1016(b) (1)

(C) The mandatory requirement for certification in Basic Life Support shall be met by completion of either:

(i) An American Heart Association (AHA) or American Red Cross (ARC) course in Basic Life Support (BLS) or,

(ii) A BLS course taught by a provider approved by the American Dental Association's Continuing Education Recognition Program (CERP) or the Academy of General Dentistry's Program Approval for Continuing Education (PACE).

#### § 1016(b)

(5) Completion of a course does not constitute authorization for the attendee to perform any services that he or she is not legally authorized to perform based on his or her license or permit type.

#### § 1016(i)

(i) Out of State Courses and Courses Offered by Other Authorized and Non-Authorized Providers

(1) Notwithstanding subdivision (b) of Section 1016, licensees who attend continuing education courses given by providers approved by the American Dental Association's Continuing Education Recognition Program (CERP) or the Academy of General Dentistry's Program Approval for Continuing Education (PACE) and who obtain a certification of attendance from the provider or sponsor shall be given credit towards his or her total continuing education requirement for renewal of his or her license with the exception of mandatory continuing education set forth in this section.

(b) A licensee who attends a course or program that meets all content requirements for continuing education pursuant to these regulations, but was presented outside California by a provider not approved by the Board, may petition the Board for consideration of the course by submitting information on course content, course duration and evidence from the provider of course completion.

When the necessary requirements have been fulfilled, the board may issue a written certificate of course completion for the approved number of units, which the licensee may then use for documentation of continuing education credits.