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MEMORANDUM

DATE	January 22, 2016
TO	Licensing Committee Members
FROM	Karen Johnson Karen Johnson Licensing Coordinator
SUBJECT	**Agenda Item 9** Approval of the Licensing Committee Minutes: October 29, 2015

Attached are the minutes of the October 29, 2015 Licensing Committee meeting.

Action:

Review and approval of the minutes.

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Thursday, October 29, 2015

Committee Members Present by Teleconference:

Jacqueline Horn, PhD, Chairperson
Andrew Harlem, PhD
Stephen Phillips, JD, PsyD
Nicole J. Jones, Public Member

Others Present:

Antonette Sorrick, Executive Officer

Jeffrey Thomas, Assistant Executive Officer
Kurt Heppler, DCA Legal Counsel
Ravinder Kapoor, DCA Legal Counsel
Karen Johnson, Licensing Coordinator
Jacquelin Everhart, Continuing Education/Renewals Coordinator
Chris Siepert, Administrative Technician
Jo Linder-Crow, PhD, California Psychological Association
Beth Tabakin, PhD, Marin County Psychological Association
Lester Summerfield, San Diego Psychological Association
Katherine Quinn, San Diego Psychological Association
Marilyn Immoos, PhD, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
Brent Baldree, PhD

Agenda Item a): Call to Order/Roll Call

Jacqueline Horn, PhD, Committee Chairperson, called the open session meeting to order at 1:12 p.m. A quorum was present and due notice had been sent to all interested parties. Mr. Kapoor recommended the agenda reflect which Committee member would be calling in from each teleconference location.

Agenda Item b): Public Comment(s) on Items Not on the Agenda

There was no public comment.

Agenda Item c): Review and Revision of Business and Professions Code Section 2915: Continuing Education Requirements; Practice Outside Fields of Competence

Dr. Horn asked the Committee members if they have any questions or changes to the revised section 2915 of the Business and Professions Code (Code). Dr. Harlem stated he did not have any comments at this time since he was not at the last committee meeting.

Ms. Jones commented that the revised section 2915 appears to capture all that was discussed at the October 5, 2015 Licensing Committee meeting. Dr. Phillips agreed with Ms. Jones.

Dr. Horn noted that subsection (b) requires each person renewing his or her license to submit proof of compliance to the Board. She recommended that subsection (b) be combined with subsection (c) to reflect that each person applying for renewal or reinstatement of his or her license shall certify that he or she is in compliance with the continuing education (CE) requirements and will retain proof of compliance for submission to the Board upon request. Dr. Harlem asked if the gender identification of "he or she" is a standard in all of the Board's statutes and regulations. Ms. Sorrick stated that "he or she" is the standard language.

Ms. Sorrick suggested removing subsection (d)(1) as these courses were a one-time requirement beginning in renewal year 2003. After the 2003 renewal cycle was

complete the one time requirement was met. The Committee members agreed with the recommendation.

Ms. Sorrick stated that subsection (2)(a) is a requirement from the Legislature and should stay in this section. Mr. Kapoor commented that the initial licensing intent is to ensure that anyone who was licensed out-of-state before 1995 be in compliance with this requirement. Dr. Horn asked if this is a course or if it can be fulfilled through continuing professional development. Ms. Sorrick replied that this statutory requirement is coursework and should remain a course to be in agreement with the law. Dr. Horn agreed the section (2)(a) should remain. The other Committee members agreed.

Ms. Sorrick recommended deleting subsection (h). Dr. Horn expressed concerns about taking out this section and asked for the reasons for the deletion. Ms. Sorrick stated that this subsection is very specific about what courses need to be taken and could be addressed in the CE/CPD regulations. Dr. Phillips agreed to strike out the whole subsection (h). Dr. Harlem agreed with that recommendation.

Dr. Horn suggested the deletion of subsection (i) since it does not appear to belong in this section. She indicated that section 2960 of the Code contains the same language. Dr. Harlem agreed to delete this subsection. Ms. Sorrick read section 2960 as it pertains to this subsection and recommended rewording (g) to reflect competence. Dr. Phillips recommended deleting this subsection. Dr. Horn agreed that it is covered in other sections and is not needed in this subsection. Ms. Jones agreed that is confusing and should be stricken.

Dr. Horn suggested changing the order by switching the newly identified subsections (h) and (i). Ms. Sorrick recommended leaving in the sections now identified as (g) and (h) to give the board the authority to offer continuing education if the Board chose to do so in the future. The Committee members agreed to leave in those sections.

Ms. Sorrick suggested that subsection (k), now identified as (h), be re-worded to just address CE credit for Subject Matter Experts for both exam development and enforcement expert reviews, instead of only for examination development. Dr. Harlem agreed with the recommendation and directed staff to work on specific language.

Dr. Linder-Crow asked if a date needs to be referenced in subsection (a). Ms. Sorrick commented that no date is necessary since the new revision will have an operative date and will not have to list a specific operative date in the text of the statute.

It was M(Phillips)/S(Jones) to approve the language as amended and to give staff the authority to make changes to the language as discussed and forward to the full Board for consideration at the November 12-13, 2015 meeting.

Vote: 4 aye (Horn, Phillips, Harlem, Jones) 0 nay

Agenda Item d): Adjournment

Dr. Horn adjourned the meeting at 2:08 p.m.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE - BPC
DIVISION 2. HEALING ARTS [500 - 4999.129]
(Division 2 enacted by Stats. 1937, Ch. 399.)

CHAPTER 6.6. Psychologists [2900 - 2999]
(Chapter 6.6 repealed and added by Stats. 1967, Ch. 1677.)

ARTICLE 1. General Provisions [2900 - 2919]
(Article 1 added by Stats. 1967, Ch. 1677.)

2915.

(a) Except as provided in this section~~, on or after January 1, 1996, the Board shall not issue any renewal license unless the applicant submits proof that he or she has completed no less than 18 hours of approved continuing education in the preceding year. On or after January 1, 1997, except as provided in this section,~~ the Board shall issue renewal licenses only to those applicants who have completed 36 hours of approved continuing professional development ~~continuing education~~ in the preceding two years.

(b) Each person applying for ~~renewing~~ renewal or reinstatement of his or her license issued pursuant to this chapter shall certify under penalty of perjury that he or she is in compliance with this section and~~submit~~ retain proof of compliance with this section for submission to the Board upon request. False statements submitted pursuant to this section shall be a violation of Section 2970.

~~(c) A person applying for re-licensure or for reinstatement to an active license status shall certify under penalty of perjury that he or she is in compliance with this section.~~

~~(d) (1) The continuing education requirement shall include, but shall not be limited to, courses required pursuant to Sections 25 and 28. The requirement may include courses pursuant to Sections 32 and 2914.1~~

(2) (A) The Board shall require a licensed psychologist who began graduate study prior to January 1, 2004, to take a continuing education course during his or her first renewal period after the operative date of this section in spousal or partner abuse assessment, detection, and intervention strategies, including community resources, cultural factors, and same gender abuse dynamics. Equivalent courses in spousal or partner abuse assessment, detection, and intervention strategies taken prior to the operative date of this section or proof of equivalent teaching or practice experience may be submitted to the Board and at its discretion, may be accepted in satisfaction of this requirement.

(B) Continuing education courses taken pursuant to this paragraph shall be applied to the 36 hours of approved continuing professional development ~~continuing education~~ required under subdivision (a).

~~(C) A licensed psychologist whose practice does not include the direct provision of mental health services may apply to the board for an exemption from the requirements of this paragraph~~

(3) Continuing professional development ~~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~~ organizations ~~as~~ approved by the Board.

(e) The Board may ~~establish a policy for~~ grant exemptions or extensions ~~exceptions~~ from the continuing professional development ~~education~~ requirement of this section.

~~(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' 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.~~

(f~~g~~) The Board shall adopt regulations as necessary for implementation of this section.

~~(h) A licensed psychologist shall choose continuing education instruction that is related to the assessment, diagnosis, and intervention for the client population being served or to the fields of psychology in which the psychologist intends to provide services, that may include new theoretical approaches, research, and applied techniques. Continuing education instruction shall include required courses specified in subdivision (d).~~

~~(i) A psychologist shall not practice outside his or her particular field or fields of competence as established by his or her education, training, continuing education, and experience.~~

(~~k~~g) Continuing ~~education~~ professional development credit may be approved for those licensees who serve as a selected participant in any examination development or enforcement-related function for the Board ~~commissioners on any examination pursuant to Section 2947, subject to limitations established by the Board~~.

(~~j~~h) The administration of this section may be funded through professional license fees and continuing education provider and course approval fees, or both. The fees related to the administration of this section shall not exceed the costs of administering the corresponding provisions of this section.

~~(l) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2004.~~

(Repealed (in Sec. 2) and added by Stats. 2002, Ch. 481, Sec. 3. Effective January 1, 2003. Section operative January 1, 2004, by its own provisions.)