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President's Message

Stephen C. Phillips, J.D., Psy.D., Board of Psychology

Welcome to the spring 2018 edition of the California Board of Psychology *Journal*!

The mission of the Board of Psychology (board) is to advance quality psychological services for Californians by ensuring ethical and legal practice, and supporting the evolution of the profession. Our values are transparency, integrity, consumer protection, inclusiveness, excellence, and accountability.

In my last column, I wrote about two notable members of the psychology community who recently died. Since that time, Dr. Sallie Hildebrandt, a former president of the California Psychological Association and the San Diego Psychological Association, also passed away. For those of you who knew Sallie, she was a vibrant and intelligent presence on the local, state, and national level. She will be missed. I also want to acknowledge the recent tragic deaths of two clinicians serving patients at the Pathways Treatment Center in Yountville, a home for former members of the armed forces, many of whom had serious psychiatric complaints. Dr. Jennifer Gonzales, a psychologist, and Jennifer Golick, a licensed marriage and family therapist, were among the victims. It is a sobering reminder that many of us are in a profession that carries with it a potential level of risk in addition to reward.

At the board's February meeting in the Capitol, we covered a variety of topics related to licensing, enforcement, legislative and regulatory developments, and the board's efforts at stakeholder outreach. As a practical matter, one of the things most likely of interest to licensees is the proposed *Therapy Never Includes Sexual Behavior* booklet to be distributed by health care licensees and prepared by the board's staff in conjunction with three other health care boards. That revision is now a subject of the legislative process. As with other recent quarterly board meetings, an entire day of the two-day meeting was devoted to handling petitions filed by licensees to modify their probation or by former licensees to reinstate their license.

The board is having a busy year with myriad committee meetings, quarterly board meetings, and the day-to-day business of regulating

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the practice of psychology for the benefit of all Californians. We continue to remain dedicated to our primary charge—the protection of consumers of psychological services, with due consideration for the needs and realities of our licensees.

Please join us, if you can, at the upcoming board meeting at on Aug. 16 and 17 in Berkeley. What the board does and the reasons for its decisions are much more clearly understood if you can attend in person or view a meeting via archived webcast. If you have not had that opportunity, I encourage you to do so to help support our efforts to maintain a transparent and inclusive process.

Probation: An Overview

By Curtis Gardner, Probation Coordinator, Board of Psychology

The purpose of a license being placed on probation is to ensure public safety by monitoring individuals whose license to practice has been administratively disciplined and ordered to follow specified terms and conditions. The role of the Board of Psychology's (board's) probation monitor is to actively monitor the probationer's work performance, drug screenings, and any practice restrictions, as well as other conditions, that are tailored based on the underlying cause of discipline leading to the licensee being placed on probation.

A licensee is placed on probation by either a stipulated settlement and disciplinary order negotiated with the licensee by board enforcement staff in conjunction with the Office of the Attorney General, or a proposed decision written by an Administrative Law Judge after a hearing; both of which are voted on by the board. If the board votes to place a license on probation, this becomes the licensee's decision and order, which outlines the terms and conditions of what the probation will entail.

All orders include the standard terms and conditions of probation such as coursework, probation monitoring fees, and obeying all laws. Orders can also include optional terms and conditions of probation, such as an actual suspension from practice, completing a psychological evaluation, or

abstaining from drugs and alcohol, and submitting to tests for prohibited substances—all of which depend on the overall circumstances that led to the licensee being disciplined and placed on probation. Each new probationer is required to meet with the probation monitor in person to discuss all terms and conditions of their specific probationary order.

The role of the probation monitor is to monitor each individual whose license to practice has been administratively disciplined and placed on probation. Each term and condition of probation is reviewed and enforced by working with the probationer. If the probationer violates any of their terms and conditions of probation, it is the probation monitor's responsibility to ensure that necessary action is taken.

For minor violations of an order, which can include submitting a late quarterly report, missing coursework hours, etc., the probationer may be issued a citation and order, which includes a fine and an order of abatement to correct the area of noncompliance. For more significant violations, or an accumulation of minor violations, the probationer's case will be sent back to the Office of the Attorney General, where the board may seek revocation of their license. Significant violations can include positive drug or alcohol tests, not obeying all laws, or not completing a board-ordered evaluation.

Probationers who successfully complete their probation have their license fully restored and no longer have any restrictions on their ability to practice.



What Forms Should I Use for My Supervised Professional Experience?

By Sharon Perera, Licensing / Registration Analyst,
Board of Psychology

Effective Oct. 1, 2017, Title 16, California Code of Regulations (CCR) sections 1387 and 1387.1—relating to the supervision agreement, verification of experience, and the responsibilities of the primary supervisor—were amended.

Applicants may be wondering, “What forms should I be using?” The answer to that question largely depends on when the supervised professional experience (SPE) began.

If your SPE began prior to Oct. 1, 2017:

- You do not need to sign a new supervision agreement. This new regulation does not apply to you given that you already have completed and signed a supervision agreement with your primary supervisor.
- Your primary supervisor will need to use the new Verification of Experience (VOE) form, which is available on our [website](#), to verify your SPE once your experience has been completed.

If your SPE began after Oct. 1, 2017:

- You will need to complete and sign a supervision agreement with your primary supervisor consistent with the new law.
Note: The agreement must also address how the trainee will receive periodic assessment and feedback from their supervisor.
- Your primary supervisor will need to use the new Verification of Experience (VOE) form, which is available on our [website](#), to verify your SPE once your experience has been completed.

It is the **applicant’s responsibility** to submit all forms to the board in compliance with Title 16, CCR section 1387. To ensure that your application is processed expediently, make sure to submit your forms as follows:

- VOE and Supervision Agreement forms must be mailed to the board by the applicant. We can no longer accept them directly from the supervisor. The forms must be put into a sealed envelope, signed across the seal by the supervisor, then put into another mailer with the trainee’s full name and address listed as the return sender.
- Forms must be sent along with an application unless a current application is already on file.
- VOE and Supervision Agreement forms that are submitted directly from the supervisor or without an application will be returned to the supervisor.

For more information about submitting verification of hours, visit the board’s website at www.psychology.ca.gov. In particular, the “Verification of Experience Scenario Guide and Checklist” (http://www.psychology.ca.gov/laws_regs/voe_checklist.pdf) may be helpful to both trainees and supervisors.



How Can I Form a Corporation?

By Tammy Bailey, Licensing Technician, Board of Psychology

The Board of Psychology (board) frequently receives questions about the permit approval process regarding how to form a limited liability company or a psychological corporation. Since the board does not have jurisdiction over the review or approval of a corporation, inquiries are often referred to the Secretary of State's Office for further information.

If you wish to form a psychological corporation, review the following sections regarding the specific rules:

- Business and Professions Code (BPC) sections 2907, 2907.5, and 2995 through to 2999.
- Title 16, California Code of Regulations sections 1397.30, 1397.35, 1397.37, 1397.39, and 1397.40.

For links to the specific regulations, visit the board's web page at www.psychology.ca.gov and click on the "Laws and Regulations" tab.

California BPC section 2907 prohibits corporations from having any professional rights, privileges, or powers, and are not permitted to practice psychology. Additionally, the liability of any licensed psychologist is not limited by a corporation. However, psychological corporations incorporated under the Moscone-Knox Professional Corporation Act do have professional rights, privileges, or powers, and are permitted to practice psychology as provided under BPC section 2907.5.

If you have any questions regarding how to form a professional corporation, contact the Secretary of State's Office through its website at www.sos.ca.gov or call (916) 657-5448.

Submit Early and Use BreEZe to Avoid Duplicate Renewal Payments

By Marjean Dupree, Central Services Technician, Board of Psychology

If you mail your renewal payment to our automated payment center and then decide it will not reach us by the expiration date of your license, you may choose to also use the online BreEZe system. However, when you make payment by credit card and then your check arrives and is processed, you will have an overpayment.

If you want to stop payment on your check before it is cashed by the board, there will be a \$25 service fee for that action. You will be billed at the time the notice is received for the stop payment. Or, if you decide to let both methods of payment be processed, you may call us toll-free at (866) 503-3221, option 0, to submit a request for a refund on the overpayment after the check has cleared your bank.

We strongly recommend you submit your renewal well in advance of the expiration date of your license, so you have proof of renewal to verify with your employer, insurance companies, etc., prior to the expiration date of the license.

The most efficient method is to use the BreEZe online system (www.breeze.ca.gov) to renew your license. Renewing your license online can significantly decrease the renewal processing time. You can also use this feature to update your address of record, or to request a duplicate pocket license if yours is lost or stolen.

If you need assistance, email the BreEZe help desk at BreEZe@dca.ca.gov or call (916) 574-8080.



Mental Health Professionals Per County

By Cherise Burns, Central Services Manager, Board of Psychology

When discussing public policy related to access to mental health care for Californians, it is important to know the distribution of licensed mental health providers throughout the state. Below is the 2018 data for total number of licensed mental health professionals per county. This data only includes active licensees authorized to practice independently and does not include data on expired licensees or registrants performing psychological services in a trainee/associate/internship capacity. Additionally, this data uses the licensees' official address of record and may not reflect all areas in which licensees provide their services. From this data, the Board of Psychology and its stakeholders can have more productive discussions about ways to improve access to mental health in California.

County	Total population as of Jan. 1, 2017 (estimate from California Department of Finance)	Board of Psychology	Medical Board of California	Osteopathic Medical Board of California	Board of Behavioral Sciences				Total licensed mental health professionals per county	Resident-to-licensee ratio
		Psychologist	Psychiatrist (M.D.)	Psychiatrist (D.O.)	Marriage family therapist	Clinical social worker	Educational psychologist	Professional clinical counselor		
Alameda	1,645,359	1,394	332	7	2,383	1,717	96	91	6,020	273
Alpine	1,151	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	576
Amador	38,382	35	6	0	24	20	1	1	87	441
Butte	226,404	41	17	0	290	176	14	9	547	414
Calaveras	45,168	10	2	0	26	25	2	1	66	684
Colusa	22,043	1	0	0	4	5	1	0	11	2,004
Contra Costa	1,139,513	572	159	7	1,362	644	66	55	2,865	398
Del Norte	27,124	15	2	0	16	16	1	1	51	532
El Dorado	185,062	53	20	1	205	94	13	7	393	471
Fresno	995,975	252	89	10	542	462	24	20	1,399	712
Glenn	28,731	0	0	0	10	11	0	0	21	1,368
Humboldt	136,953	33	14	2	187	150	8	7	401	342
Imperial	188,334	8	9	0	24	32	0	1	74	2,545
Inyo	18,619	9	2	0	14	8	1	0	34	548
Kern	895,112	112	45	4	355	215	15	12	758	1,181
Kings	149,537	42	8	0	37	39	2	1	129	1,159
Lake	64,945	12	2	0	42	22	2	0	80	812
Lassen	30,918	14	2	0	13	12	1	0	42	736
Los Angeles	10,241,278	4,832	1,693	49	9,926	7,139	445	282	24,366	420
Madera	156,492	38	8	0	55	42	4	5	152	1,030
Marin	263,604	430	176	2	987	339	24	23	1,981	133
Mariposa	18,148	2	1	0	6	10	0	0	19	955
Mendocino	89,134	26	9	0	126	67	8	6	242	368
Merced	274,665	22	5	0	53	67	4	5	156	1,761
Modoc	9,580	3	0	0	3	5	0	0	11	871
Mono	13,713	3	1	0	10	4	0	1	19	722
Monterey	442,365	136	50	2	334	204	17	15	758	584

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		Psychologist	Psychiatrist (M.D.)	Psychiatrist (D.O.)	Marriage family therapist	Clinical social worker	Educational psychologist	Professional clinical counselor		
Napa	142,408	129	85	4	162	162	9	14	565	252
Nevada	98,828	38	11	0	211	91	13	11	375	264
Orange	3,194,024	1,265	440	26	3,192	1,667	197	133	6,920	462
Placer	382,837	125	53	3	513	247	22	18	981	390
Plumas	19,819	1	0	0	20	7	1	2	31	639
Riverside	2,384,783	322	169	7	1,299	697	69	62	2,625	908
Sacramento	1,514,770	593	261	9	1,281	1,135	69	78	3,426	442
San Benito	56,854	3	1	0	25	11	2	2	44	1,292
San Bernardino	2,160,256	397	228	28	1,047	824	63	44	2,631	821
San Diego	3,316,192	1,864	627	39	3,117	2,109	129	185	8,070	411
San Francisco	874,228	1,227	528	13	1,630	1,162	30	72	4,662	188
San Joaquin	746,868	117	57	1	261	216	17	10	679	1,100
San Luis Obispo	280,101	274	95	3	493	250	18	17	1,150	244
San Mateo	770,203	475	238	2	898	536	33	39	2,221	347
Santa Barbara	450,663	249	55	4	768	181	30	16	1,303	346
Santa Clara	1,938,180	912	474	7	1,913	1,052	68	88	4,514	429
Santa Cruz	276,603	137	55	1	647	292	17	17	1,166	237
Shasta	178,605	42	13	0	204	90	3	6	358	499
Sierra	3,207	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	4	802
Siskiyou	44,688	8	0	0	47	26	3	6	90	497
Solano	436,023	179	60	1	272	257	7	9	785	555
Sonoma	505,120	338	84	2	1,149	399	39	28	2,039	248
Stanislaus	548,057	49	29	2	283	176	18	8	565	970
Sutter	96,956	10	9	0	44	36	1	1	101	960
Tehama	63,995	1	0	0	32	21	1	2	57	1,123
Trinity	13,628	0	1	0	16	2	1	2	22	619
Tulare	471,842	64	18	2	195	145	11	8	443	1,065
Tuolumne	54,707	18	5	0	53	30	3	2	111	493
Ventura	857,386	293	107	2	1,039	410	67	34	1,952	439
Yolo	218,896	93	36	6	206	147	16	12	516	424
Yuba	74,577	2	2	1	29	14	0	1	49	1,522
California	39,523,613	17,320	6,393	247	38,083	23,920	1,706	1,470	89,139	443

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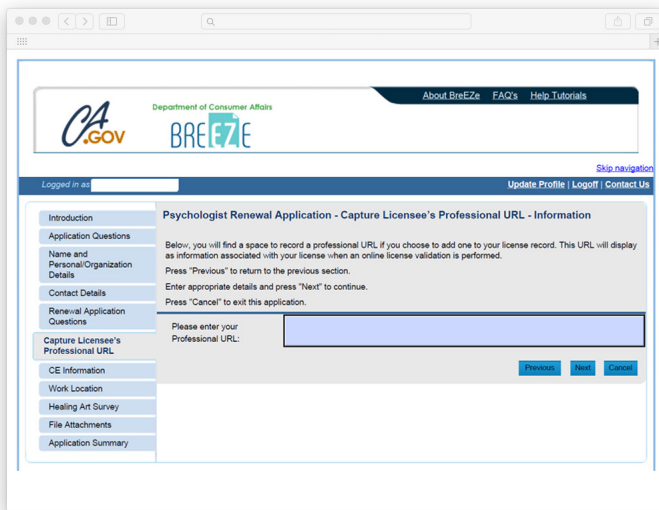
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Psychologists Can Add Their Professional Website When Renewing Through BreEZe

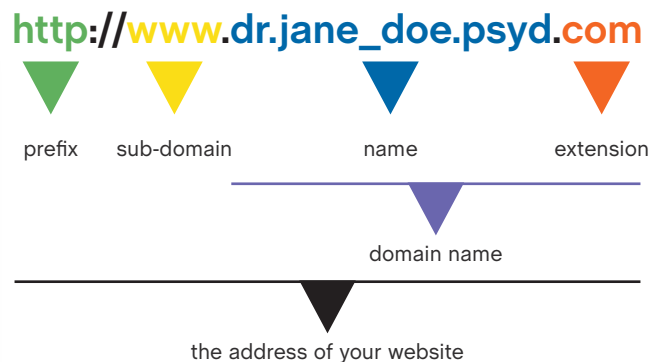
By Natasha Lim, Licensing and BreEZe Coordinator,
Board of Psychology

A psychologist registered as an online user with the Department of Consumer Affairs' (DCA's) BreEZe system can add their professional website—otherwise known as a professional URL—at the time of their renewal. The professional website will be available to the public through the DCA License Search web page.



If you decide to add your professional website, make sure to follow the components and structure of a URL, or website address. Review the following table and example URL as references for characters allowed or not allowed. Please enter the prefix of your URL, which will either be “http” or “https.”

Allowed	Allowed examples	Not allowed	Not allowed examples
Alphanumerics	0-9 a-z A-Z	Unsafe characters	Blank spaces “ < > # % { } / ^ - [] ’
Special characters	\$ - _ . + !		
Reserved characters (used for their reserved purposes; e.g., question mark used to denote a query string)	? =		



This optional feature of adding your professional website is currently only available to psychologists. To access this feature, you must become a registered BreEZe online user. For information regarding the BreEZe registration process, visit the Board of Psychology's website at www.psychology.ca.gov/about_us/breeze.shtml.

If you need assistance, email the BreEZe help desk at BreEZe@dca.ca.gov or call (916) 574-8080.



California Board of Psychology: Celebrating 60 Years

*By Jeffrey Thomas, Assistant Executive Officer,
Board of Psychology*

The Evolution of the Board of Psychology

1950s:

Sixty years ago, the regulation of the practice of psychology began with the Certification Act of 1958 (Act). The Act protected the title “psychologist”; however, it did not take into consideration the protection of the interests of the consumers of psychological services.

1960s:

By 1967, the Legislature had begun to recognize the potential harm to consumers of psychological services by those practicing psychology. The focus of the regulation of the practice of psychology shifted to the protection of the public, and the requirement for licensure to practice psychology was established.

1970s/1980s:

The practice of psychology was regulated by the Psychology Examining Committee under the Board of Medical Quality Assurance’s Division of Allied Health. The Psychology Examining Committee continued to regulate the profession of psychology throughout the 1970s and 1980s, becoming increasingly independent from the Board of Medical Quality Assurance as the profession of psychology evolved.

1990s:

The Psychology Examining Committee was established as the current Board of Psychology (board) in 1990.

Today:

The board currently consists of nine members, five licensed psychologists, and four public members. Appointed to the board for four-year terms, each

member may serve a maximum of two consecutive terms. The five licensed members and two of the public members are appointed by the governor. One public member is appointed by the Senate Rules Committee, and one public member is appointed by the speaker of the Assembly. The board’s executive officer is appointed by the board to ensure that the board functions efficiently and serves solely in the interests of the consumers of psychological services in California.

The board is funded totally through license, application, and examination fees, and receives no tax money from the general revenue fund of the state of California. The board currently has three standing committees each consisting of three board members: Licensing Committee, Policy and Advocacy Committee, and Outreach and Education Committee. The board exists solely to serve the public by:

- Protecting the health, safety, and welfare of consumers of psychological services with integrity, honesty, and efficiency.
- Advocating the highest principles of professional psychological practice.
- Empowering the consumer through education on licensee/registrant disciplinary actions and through providing the best available information on current trends in psychological service options.

Mission: The board advances quality psychological services for Californians by ensuring ethical and legal practice, and supporting the evolution of the profession.

Vision: A California with the best psychological services in the nation.

Values: Transparency
Integrity
Consumer protection
Inclusiveness
Excellence
Accountability

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California Board of Psychology: Celebrating 60 Years (continued from page 8)

Since 1957, individuals have been given the honor of serving as members of the board. Each individual, whether a public member or a licensed member, has made their own unique contribution to the service of the consumers of psychological services in this state. Whether appointed by the governor, the speaker of the Assembly, or the Senate president pro tempore, the following individuals share the honor of having played a part in the creation of the largest psychology licensing agency in the world.

Board Member	Years Served	Board Member	Years Served
Hugh M. Bell, Ph.D.	10/18/1957–6/30/1961	S. Don Schultz, Ph.D.	3/1/1972–1/1/1977
Edward M. Glaser, Ed.D.	10/18/1957–6/30/1961	George T. Mannen, Ph.D.	1/1/1974–9/1/1977
Norman B. Henderson, Ph.D.	10/18/1957–6/30/1964	Albert Kostlan, Ph.D.	1/1/1974–8/1/1977
Harry C. Mahan, Ph.D.	10/18/1957–6/30/1960	Jack Thompson, Ph.D.	2/1/1975–3/1/1979
Ruth Palmer, M.A.	10/18/1957–6/30/1960	Arlene Carsten (Public)	6/1/1976–9/1/1980
William H. Pemberton, Ph.D.	10/18/1957–6/30/1959	Joan Madsen, Ph.D.	10/1/1976–1/1/1980
Robert G. Kaplan, Ph.D.	9/18/1958–6/30/1962	Alexandra Hunter, Ph.D.	11/1/1976–5/1/1979
E. Parl Welch, Ph.D.	8/1/1959–6/30/1967	Luanna Martilla (Public)	3/1/1977–9/1/1984
Thomas W. Harrell, Ph.D.	8/31/1959–6/30/1967	Rita Walker (Public)	3/1/1977–9/1/1984
Richard E. Worthington, Ph.D.	12/12/1960–6/30/1968	Matthew Buttiglieri, Ph.D.	11/1/1977–11/1/1981
Maurice Rapkin, Ph.D.	7/12/1961–6/30/1969	Antonio Madrid, Ph.D.	7/1/1978–7/1/1982
Merle H. Elliott, Ph.D.	7/12/1961–6/30/1969	Joseph L. White, Ph.D.	7/1/1979–1/1/1984
Evelyn B. Collins, Ph.D.	5/2/1963–6/30/1970	Edward Burke, Ph.D.	1/1/1980–1/1/1985
Phillip Oderberg, Ph.D.	5/2/1963–6/30/1970	Maria Nemeth, Ph.D.	1/1/1980–1/1/1987
Sumner B. Morris, Ed.D.	7/21/1964–6/30/1972	William Crawford, Ed.D.	1/1/1982–10/1/1990
Fred J. Goldstein, Ph.D.	9/27/1965–6/30/1967	Dorothy Tucker, Ph.D.	9/1/1982–1/1/1987
Read D. Tuddenham, Ph.D.	7/1/1966–6/30/1969	Jeanne Lawrence (Public)	1/1/1983–3/1/1983
Kenneth B. Holden, Ph.D.	5/8/1968–6/30/1971	Sue Sampson (Public)	11/1/1983–1/1/1987
Elta L.S. Pfister, Ed.D.	5/8/1968–6/30/1971	Frank V. Powell, Ph.D.	7/1/1984–7/1/1993
C. Norman Jacobs, Ph.D.	2/17/1969–6/30/1972	Robert Kiley (Public)	5/1/1985–1/1/1992
Charles V. Dunham, Ph.D.	11/1/1970–6/30/1975	Louis Jenkins, Ph.D.	5/1/1985–7/1/1993
Nevin W. George (Public)	11/1/1970–6/30/1975	Linda Lucks (Public)	9/1/1986–1/1/1995
Wallace W. Lockwood, Ph.D.	11/1/1970–9/1/1977	Ana Toro, Ph.D.	1/1/1987–10/1/1990
R. Warburton Miller, Ph.D.	11/1/1970–6/30/1974	Victor Howard, Ph.D.	1/1/1987–1/1/1991

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Board Member	Years Served
Phillip Schlessinger (Public)	1/1/1987–8/1/1995
Bruce Ebert, Ph.D., J.D.	11/1/1990–12/1/1998
Marilyn Palarea (Public)	7/1/1993–5/30/2002
Martin Greenberg, Ph.D.	7/1/1993–5/30/2002
Lilli Friedland, Ph.D.	7/1/1993–8/1/1997
Mary McMillan (Public)	1/1/1995–1/31/2002
Mary Ellen Early (Public)	9/1/1995–8/28/2003
Emil Rodolfa, Ph.D.	12/1/1997–5/30/2002
Lisa Kalustian (Public)	1/1/1999–6/1/2003
Pamela Harmell, Ph.D.	1/1/1999–6/1/2003
William Tan (Public)	2/1/2002–6/1/2007
Howard Adelman, Ph.D.	5/30/2002–6/1/2007
Jacqueline Horn, Ph.D.	5/30/2002–6/1/2009
Myra Scott Reifman (Public)	5/30/2002–4/21/2005
Ronald Ruff, Ph.D.	5/30/2002–5/31/2005
William Thomas, Ph.D.	5/30/2002–6/26/2007
Sylvia Jewell Johnson (Public)	8/28/2003–11/2/2005
Ellen S. Graff, Ph.D.	9/25/2003–10/31/2008
James McGhee (Public)	9/25/2003–6/1/2011
Linda Lindholm (Public)	4/21/2005–3/14/2007
Sharon O'Connor, Ph.D.	7/29/2005–6/1/2009
Celinda Vazquez (Public)	6/1/2007–9/1/2011
Richard Sherman, Ph.D.	6/27/2007–6/1/2012
Alex Calero (Public)	11/1/2007–6/1/2009
Emil Rodolfa, Ph.D.	11/1/2007–6/1/2012

Board Member	Years Served
Lucille Acquaye-Baddoo (Public)	2/12/2009–Current
Barbara Cadow, Ph.D.	8/6/2010–6/1/2012
Michael Erickson, Ph.D.	8/6/2010–Current
Miguel Gallardo, Psy.D.	8/6/2010–6/1/2016
Gail Evans (Public)	9/1/2011–8/15/2012
Johanna Arias-Bhatia (Public)	8/10/2012–6/1/2016
Andrew Harlem, Ph.D.	8/10/2012–6/1/2015
Nicole J. Jones (Public)	8/10/2012–Current
John Preston, Psy.D.	8/10/2012–3/11/2013
Linda L. Starr (Public)	1/9/2013–6/1/2015
Stephen Phillips, J.D., Psy.D.	9/25/2013–Current
Jacqueline Horn, Ph.D.	10/23/2013–Current
Alita Bernal (Public)	8/3/2016–Current
Seyron Foo (Public)	5/17/2017–Current
Sheryll Casuga, Psy.D.	8/18/2017–Current





How to Update Your Address of Record

By Diana Crosby, Central Services Technician,
Board of Psychology

Life events happen—such as getting married, having children, or moving to a new home—at different points of our lives. As a licensee, when these types of changes occur, it's important to understand that part of maintaining licensure is to inform the Board of Psychology (board) of updates to your address of record.

Title 16, California Code of Regulations section 1380.5, which is titled “Filing of Addresses,” states:

- (a) *Each person holding a license as a psychologist shall file with the board his or her address of record, which shall be used as the mailing address for the licensee and shall be disclosable to the public. The licensee may provide a post office box number or other alternate address as his or her address of record; however, the licensee shall also provide a physical address or residential address for the Board's internal administrative use and not for disclosure to the public.*
- (b) *Each applicant and licensee who has an electronic mail address shall provide to the Board that electronic mail address and shall maintain a current electronic mail address, if any, with the Board.*
- (c) *Within 30 days after a change any address above, the applicant or licensee shall report to the Board any and all changes, giving both his or her old and new address(es).*
- (d) *Failure to comply with the requirements of this section may subject the licensee to an enforcement action.*

The board uses the address of record for all communications with our applicants and licensees; therefore, it is very important to keep your address of record current with the board.

Additionally, because the board is a government entity, any mail sent to you by the board will not be forwarded. Even if you submitted the “Forwarding

Notice” at the post office, any correspondence from the board will not be forwarded to you. You will need to contact the board directly to submit an address change.

As a psychologist, psychological assistant, or registered psychologist, there are two ways you can update your address with the board. You can:

- Update your address yourself using the [BreEZe online system \(www.breeze.ca.gov\)](http://www.breeze.ca.gov) or
- Download, complete, and submit the Notice of Change of Address form available on the board's website at www.psychology.ca.gov under the “Licensees” tab.

For information on how to update your address using BreEZe, visit the board's website and view the online BreEZe tutorial [How to Update License Information: https://www.dca.ca.gov/webapps/breeze/tutorials.php](https://www.dca.ca.gov/webapps/breeze/tutorials.php).

If you are a first-time BreEZe user, you will need to create an account by following these instructions:

1. Click on the “Renew” button on the board's home page, www.psychology.ca.gov.
2. Click on the “BreEZe Registration” link.
3. Complete the required entries (**Remember:** You must have a valid email address for this process).
4. Make sure you select “yes” regarding email communication.
5. At this time, you will receive an email stating your temporary password.
6. Go back to the [BreEZe home page](#) and enter your user name and temporary password.
7. Establish a password known only to you and click on “Save.”
8. If licensed, check “yes.” If not licensed, you will need to answer a few questions to finish the process of setting up your BreEZe account.
9. If “yes” was selected, you will need to choose the board and your license type.

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10. Enter requested information and click on “Save.”
11. Confirm information is correct.

At this time, your licensure information is now in BreEZe, and you can go to the “Manage Information” section to update your address.

Note: A new certificate is not generated when these changes are put into the system. The replacement

certificate can be ordered through the BreEZe system or by completing the [Application for Duplicate Wall/Pocket Certificate](#) form on our website at www.psychology.ca.gov/forms_pubs/dup_wallcert.pdf. Please follow the instructions completely and submit the form or online order with the processing fee. Orders placed without providing payment will not be completed until payment is received.

Legislative and Regulatory Update

More information can be found at <http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov>.

Regulatory

Below, are the Board of Psychology’s (board’s) pending regulatory changes and their status in the formal rulemaking process.

Title 16, California Code of Regulations (CCR) sections 1391.1, 1391.2, 1391.5, 1391.6, 1391.8, 1391.10, 1391.11, 1391.12, 1392.1 – Psychological Assistants

Status: Initial review phase. This phase includes reviews by the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) and the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency before a formal Notice of Public Hearing with the Office of Administrative Law.

This regulatory package does the following:

Conforms CCR to statutory changes made in Senate Bill 1193 (Hill, Chapter 484, Statutes of 2016), which require psychological assistants to obtain a single

registration with the board, to be renewed annually. This registration will be independent from their supervisor(s) or employer(s), but does not remove the requirement that psychological assistants practice only under supervision. Additionally, the proposed regulatory language removes duplication as to who pays the psychological assistant registration fee, as this is already specified in statute.

Title 16, CCR section 1396.8 – Standards of Practice for Telehealth

Status: Initial review phase. This phase includes reviews by DCA and the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency before a formal Notice of Public Hearing with the Office of Administrative Law.

This regulatory package does the following:

Establishes standards of practice for the delivery of psychological health services via telehealth to an originating site in this state, to a patient or client who is a resident of California who is temporarily located outside of this state, and to clients or patients who initiate psychological health

care services while in this state but who may not be a resident of this state. These standards would apply to licensed California psychologists and psychology trainees.

Legislative

Sponsored Legislation

Assembly Bill 2968 (Levine) – Psychotherapist-client relationship: victims of sexual behavior and sexual contact: informational brochure

The board is seeking legislative amendments to the Business and Professions Code (BPC) sections 337 and 728 to revise the types of behaviors that trigger provision of the *Professional Therapy Never Includes Sex* booklet and the information that is mandated to be covered within the booklet. Assembly Member Marc Levine has agreed to author this bill for the board.

On March 23, 2018, AB 2968 (Levine) was amended to include the board’s requested language and referred to the Assembly Committee on Business and Professions.



2018 Legislative Changes

By Liezel McCockran, CE/Renewals Coordinator,
Board of Psychology

The Board of Psychology (board) would like to inform you of recent legislative changes that may affect your license.

Fees

Effective Jan. 1, 2018, the delinquency fee changed to \$150 for a licensed psychologist renewing as active and to \$20 for a psychologist renewing as inactive. Additionally, effective July 1, 2018, the fee collected for the Mental Health Practitioner Education Fund at the time of renewal will increase from \$10 to \$20.

The table below details the new renewal and delinquency fees.

	Current Fees	Fee Changes
Active psychologist delinquency fee	\$25	\$150 (Effective Jan. 1, 2018)
Inactive psychologist delinquency fee	\$25	\$20 (Effective Jan. 1, 2018)
Active psychologist renewal	\$420	\$430 (Effective July 1, 2018)
Inactive psychologist renewal	\$50	\$60 (Effective July 1, 2018)

Suicide prevention training

Effective Jan. 1, 2020, at the time of renewing your license in active status, a licensee will be required to attest on their renewal form that they have met the one-time six-hour suicide risk assessment and intervention coursework or applied experience requirement.

This requirement can be met in one of the following ways:

- Obtained as part of his or her qualifying graduate degree program.
- Obtained as part of his or her applied experience. Applied experience can be met in any of the following settings: practicum, internship, or formal postdoctoral placement that meets the requirement of Business and Professions Code section 2911, or other qualifying supervised professional experience.
- Obtained by taking any approved, structured, sequenced learning activity, whether conducted in-person or online. The continuing education (CE) course must be approved by organizations approved by the board.

Although licensees must attest to compliance with the six-hour requirement upon his or her first renewal after Jan. 1, 2020, for those satisfying the requirement by taking a qualifying CE course, the course may have been taken any time prior to the submission of the application for renewal, and the course may also be applied to the CE requirements in the renewal cycle during which the course was completed.

For more information about these legislative changes, visit the board website at http://www.psychology.ca.gov/laws_regs/legislation.shtml. For any additional questions or concerns, contact the board at (916) 574-7720 or via email at bopmail@dca.ca.gov.



Disciplinary Actions:

Jan. 1 to Feb. 28, 2018

REVOCATION

Ginny Taylor, Ph.D.

Psychologist License No. PSY 14642, Irvine

Dr. Taylor stipulated to the surrender of her California psychologist license after her registered nurse license was disciplined by the Board of Registered Nursing for gross negligence, incompetence, and engaging in the unlicensed practice of medicine by practicing without proper direction by a physician and prescribing dangerous drugs without prescriptions. The order took effect Feb. 10, 2018.

PUBLIC LETTER OF REPROVAL

Marti E. Peck, Ph.D.

Psychologist License No. PSY 12131, San Diego

Dr. Peck stipulated to the issuance of a public letter of reproof against her California psychologist license after an accusation was filed alleging she engaged in willful, unauthorized communication of information received in professional confidence. The order took effect Feb. 7, 2018.

INTERIM SUSPENSION ORDER

Dolores O. Morse, Ph.D.

Psychologist License No. PSY 13986, Carlsbad

An interim suspension order was issued against the license of Dr. Morse, prohibiting her from engaging in the practice of psychology in California pending any further order, for failure to comply with an order issued by the Board of Psychology and due to an inability to practice safely as a result of a mental or physical condition. The order took effect Feb. 12, 2018.

ORDER RESTRICTING PRACTICE

Theodore Ken Ishida, Ph.D.

Psychologist License No. PSY 10125, Bakersfield

An order was issued pursuant to Penal Code section 23 against Dr. Ishida, prohibiting him from practicing psychology in California until the conclusion of the criminal proceeding in Kern County Superior Court. The order took effect Feb. 27, 2018.

PETITION FOR EARLY TERMINATION OF PROBATION

Amy A. Reyes, Psy.D.

Psychological Assistant
Registration No. PSB 94021908,
El Monte

Dr. Reyes' petition for early termination of five years' probation received as the result of an earlier stipulated settlement and disciplinary order, which became effective Sept. 1, 2015, was denied on Jan. 10, 2018.



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Explanation of Disciplinary Language and Actions

Gross negligence: An extreme departure from the standard of care.

Incompetence: Lack of knowledge or skills in discharging professional obligations.

Public letter of reproof: Formal discipline that consists of a reprimand of a licensee that is a matter of public record for conduct in violation of the law.

Accusation: A formal, written statement of charges.

Stipulated settlement of decision: The case is formally negotiated and settled prior to hearing.

Surrender: To resolve a disciplinary action, the licensee has given up his or her license, subject to acceptance by the Board of Psychology.

Suspension from practice: The licensee is prohibited from practicing or offering to provide psychological services during the term of suspension.

Revoked: The right to practice has ended due to disciplinary action.

Revocation stayed, probation with terms and conditions: “Stayed” means the revocation is postponed. Professional practice may continue so long as the licensee complies with specific probationary terms and conditions. Violation of any term of probation may result in the revocation that was postponed.





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Meeting Calendar

Board Meetings

Aug. 16–17 Berkeley

Nov. 15–16 San Diego

EPPP 2* Task Force Meeting

June 29 Sacramento

Licensing Committee Meeting

Oct. 25 Sacramento

Outreach and Education Committee Meetings

Dec. 11 Sacramento

Policy and Advocacy Committee Meetings

July 10 Sacramento

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