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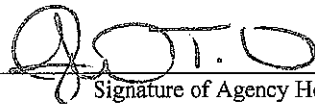
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advanced practice designation by the Board for the surgical treatment of the ankle. The amendments also reflect a name change in the certifying board within podiatry from the American Board of Podiatric Surgery to the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

There is no anticipated effect on the Board's revenue collections or those of any other state or governmental unit.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

A podiatrist who completes a specified three (3) year residency training program will be favorably impacted by the amendment which removes the need for board certification as a prerequisite for certification in surgical treatment of the ankle by the Board. It is anticipated that there will be a minimal number of podiatrists that will be affected by the proposed amendments. Otherwise, the proposed amendments will not have a material effect on costs, paperwork, or workload of podiatrists or applicants.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

The proposed changes may serve to increase employment opportunities and competition in the market for podiatrists who qualify for surgical treatment of the ankle as a result of completing the proposed specified residency training.

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NOTICE OF INTENT *RULE*

Department of Health
Board of Examiners of Psychologists

Continuing Education and Licenses
(LAC 46:LXIII Chapters 8 and 9)

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., the Board of Examiners of Psychologists intends to amend LAC 46:LXIII.801, 803, 805, 807, 809, 811, 815, 903; repeal §808; adopt §901; and renumber current §§901, 902, and 903 as published under Declaration of Emergency in the *Louisiana Register* on June 20, 2016.

The full text of this proposed Rule may be view in the Emergency Rule section of this edition of the *Louisiana Register*.

Family Impact Statement

The Board of Examiners of Psychologists hereby issues this Family Impact Statement as set forth in R.S. 49:972. The proposed Rule related to the continuing education requirements of psychologists will have no known or foreseeable impact on the stability of the family; authority and rights of parents regarding the education and supervision of their children; functioning of the family; family earnings and family budget; behavior and personal responsibility of children; or, the ability of the family or a local government to perform the function as contained in the proposed Rule.

Poverty Impact Statement

The proposed modifications regulate licensed psychologists in the interest of health, safety and the welfare

of the public. The Rule does not have any known or foreseeable impact on any child, individual or family as defined by R.S. 49:973(B). Specifically, there is no known or foreseeable effect on household income, assets, and financial security; early childhood development and preschool through postsecondary education development; employment and workforce development; taxes and tax credits; or, child and dependent care, housing, health care, nutrition, transportation, and utilities assistance.

Provider Impact Statement

The proposed Rule does not have any known or foreseeable impact on providers as defined by HCR 170 of 2014 Regular Legislative Session. Specifically, there is no known or foreseeable effect on: the staffing level requirements or qualifications required to provide the same level of service; the total direct or indirect cost to the providers to provide the same level of service; or the overall ability of the provider to provide the same level of service.

Public Comments

Interested persons may submit written comments to Jaime T. Monic, Executive Director, 8706 Jefferson Highway, Suite B, Baton Rouge, LA 70809. All comments must be submitted by 12 p.m. on July 10, 2016.

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FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

RULE TITLE: Continuing Education and Licenses

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

The estimated implementation cost for this rule totals approximately \$500 in FY 2015-16 and applies only to the Board of Examiners of Psychologists. Those costs are related to publishing the proposed and final rule in the *Louisiana Register*.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

No impact on state or local government revenue collections is anticipated as a result of the proposed rule change.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

This amendment provides clarification to current continuing education rules for approximately 700 licensed psychologists in Louisiana. Continuing education is required for license renewal. This amendment does not impose any additional requirements for continuing education, nor would it have a financial impact on those licensed psychologists or the non-governmental groups who provide continuing education to licensed psychologists. The amendments are proposed solely to provide consistency and clarify what constitutes acceptable continuing education, proper calculation of credits, documentation required to prove credits, and to reinstate the requirements for renewal of a lapsed license.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

No effect on competition and employment is anticipated as a result of this rule change.

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is necessary to clarify the program's service period and financial eligibility criteria, which must mirror eligibility rules in effect as of August 21, 1996 under the Louisiana Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) Emergency Assistance Program.

The department considers emergency action necessary to facilitate the expenditure of TANF funds. The authorization to promulgate emergency rules to facilitate the expenditure of TANF funds is contained in Act 16 of the 2015 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature.

Title 67

SOCIAL SERVICES

Part III. Family Support

Subpart 15. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Initiatives

Chapter 55. TANF Initiatives

§5573. Community Supervision Program

A. The department has an agreement with the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of Juvenile Justice (DPSC-OJJ), to provide services to youth and their families as a result of an adjudication and disposition by a court that orders (DPSC-OJJ) to supervise youth in their communities in an effort to prevent removal from the home.

B. OJJ will complete an intake/assessment and develop a case plan for addressing the needs of the youth. The case plan will contain goals for all need areas and when indicated, include referrals to community programs for both youth and parents. These referrals may include but are not limited to:

1. case management, counseling, and in-home services;
2. parenting education and training, either in-home or out-of-home;
3. diagnostic and evaluation services provided in an attempt to make the most appropriate out-of-home placement;
4. supervision or non-residential programs for youth who remain in the home.

C. TANF eligibility is limited within any 12 month period to a single episode of need with a maximum duration of 12 months. TANF eligibility is also limited to families with income less than twice the state median income (SMI).

D. These services are TANF-eligible based on inclusion in the state's approved AFDC Emergency Assistance Program that was in effect as of August 21, 1996.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 601 et seq., R.S. 46:231 and R.S. 36:474, and amended Act 18, 2007 Reg. Session.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Social Services, Office of Family Support, LR 29:2511 (November 2003), amended LR 31:487 (February 2005), LR 34:697 (April 2008), amended by the Department of Children and Family Services, Economic Stability Section, LR 42:

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RULE

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Health
Board of Examiners of Psychologists

Continuing Education and Licenses
(LAC 46:LXIII Chapters 8 and 9)

This Emergency Rule is being published pursuant to emergency provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act, R.S. 49:953(B) to amend LAC 46:LXIII.801, 803, 805, 807, 809, 811, 815, 903; repeal §808; adopt §901; and renumber current §§901, 902, and 903. This board has an immediate need for such rules as they pertain to licensing of psychologists and are necessary to effectuate renewals and continuing education statutorily required to begin July 1, 2016. The current rules published in 2013 are due to effectuate for this license renewal period and contain errors and contradictions that would hinder effective administration of license renewals for approximately 750 psychologists impacting their insurance credentialing and ability to provide services to the public. This Emergency Rule shall become effective on June 1, 2016, and shall remain in effect for the maximum period allowed under the Administrative Procedure Act, or until a final Rule is promulgated in accordance with law, whichever occurs first. The board intends to continue the rule-making process and promulgate final rules within the requisite time period allowed under the APA.

Title 46

PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS

Part LXIII. Psychologists

Subpart 1. General Provisions

Chapter 8. Continuing Education

§801. Preface

A. Pursuant to R.S. 37:2357(B), each licensed psychologist is required to complete continuing education hours, also referred to as continuing professional development (CPD) within biennial reporting periods. Continuing education is an ongoing process consisting of learning activities that increase professional development. Continuing professional development activities:

1. - 3. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:2357.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Examiners of Psychologists, LR 16:769 (September 1990), amended LR 19:46 (January 1993), LR 32:1228 (July 2006), LR 36:1007 (May 2010), LR 39:2734 (October 2013), LR 42: (August 2016)

§803. Requirements

A. For the reporting periods that begin July 2014 and July 2015, each psychologist is required to complete 30 hours or credits of continuing professional development within the biennial reporting period. The CPD credits must conform to the distribution requirements listed below in Subsection C. For the reporting periods that begin July 2016

and July 2017 and henceforth, 40 credits of continuing professional development will be required in the biennial reporting period and the hours must conform to the distribution listed below in Subsection C.

B. ...

C. Within each reporting period, licensees must earn credits in at least two of the subcategories listed under Subsection D of this Section.

D. Licensees can accumulate continuing professional development credits in the categories defined:

1. Professional

a. Peer Consultation—interacting with colleagues in a structured and organized format. Examples include case consultation groups, journal clubs, regional research groups, mentoring, and shadowing a colleague. One hour of peer consultation equals one credit.

i. If requested, documentation required to earn credit shall be a verification form providing evidence that it is a structured program of consultation with regularly scheduled meetings and showing the nature of the consultation. Additionally, the person providing the consultation, or facilitating the case consultation group, must attest, by signature, to the description of the program, number of hours met and that the verification form has been completed.

b. Practice Outcome Monitoring—assessing patient/client outcomes via questionnaire(s) that is appropriate to the practice endeavor. One client equals one credit per reporting period.

i. If requested, documentation required to earn credit shall be a verification form and a de-identified copy of the patient/client questionnaire.

c. Professional Activities—serving on a national, regional, or state psychological association board or committee; or board member of regulatory body related to the field of psychology. Professional activities shall not include lobbying activities. One year equals 10 credits.

i. If requested, documentation required to earn credit shall be a verification form and documentation from the professional organization confirming the service.

d. Conferences/Conventions—attendance at a conference related to the field of psychology or a conference, which aids in the licensee's professional development. One conference day equals one credit.

i. If requested, documentation required to earn credit shall include a copy of registration materials. This credit is separate from traditional continuing education units that may be awarded at said conference.

2. Academic

a. Academic Courses—graduate-level course related to psychologist's discipline and practice taken for credit from a regionally accredited university or one pre-approved by the board. One three-hour course or equivalent equals 20 credits; or, one registered audit, documented by the university, equals five credits.

i. If requested, documentation required to earn credit shall include course transcript.

b. Instruction—preparation and teaching a semester long graduate or undergraduate course, related to psychology, in a regionally accredited institution; or

continuing education workshop presentation. Credit can only be received the first time teaching or presenting the material. Credit for preparing and teaching a workshop shall be equal to four times the credit granted attendees divided by the number of presenters; Credit for teaching a university course shall be 10 times the number of credit hours awarded the students.

i. If requested, documentation required to earn credit shall be the course syllabus or brochure.

c. Publications—author of an article for peer-reviewed publications or author, editor or co-editor of a book/book chapter related to the field of psychology. One article equals 10 credits; one book/book chapter equals 10 credits.

i. If requested, documentation required to earn credit shall include a copy of journal abstract or a copy of the publication.

3. Traditional Continuing Education

a. Approved Sponsored CE—workshops from a recognized approved sponsor under Section 805.A of this Chapter. One hour equals one credit.

i. If requested, documentation required to earn credit shall be the certificate or award of completion from sponsor.

b. Self-directed Learning—examples include reading, Internet, videos, and/or other unsponsored activities. All self-directed learning activities shall be limited to 10 credits. One hour equals one credit.

i. If requested, documentation required to earn credit shall include the completion of the continuing professional development verification form provided by the Board.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 27:2357.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Examiners of Psychologists, LR 16:770 (September 1990), amended LR 19:46 (January 1993), LR 32:1228 (July 2006), LR 39:2754 (October 2013), LR 42: (August 2016)

§805. Acceptable Sponsorship, Offerings and Activities

A. The board will recognize the following as acceptable sponsors of the continuing education requirements:

1. accredited institutions of higher education;
2. hospitals which have approved Regional Medical Continuing Education Centers;
3. hospitals which have APA approved doctoral internship training programs;
4. national, regional, or state professional associations, or divisions of such associations, which specifically offer or approve graduate or post doctoral continuing education training;
5. American Psychological Association (APA) approved sponsors and activities offered by APA (including home study courses);
6. activities sponsored by the Board of Examiners of Psychologists; and
7. activities sponsored by the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals or its subordinate units and approved by the chief psychologist of the sponsoring state office.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:2357.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Examiners of Psychologists, LR 16:770 (September 1990), amended LR 19:46 (January 1993), LR 22:1131 (November 1996), LR 25:1098 (June 1999), LR 32:1228 (July 2006), LR 36:1007 (May 2010), LR 42: (August 2016)

§807. Unacceptable Offerings and/or Activities

A. The board will not recognize:

1. activities unrelated to the field of psychology even though such activities may be valuable for other professional purposes;

2. personal psychotherapy.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:2357.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Examiners of Psychologists, LR 16:770 (September 1990), amended LR 19:47 (January 1993), LR 25:1098 (June 1999), LR 42: (August 2016)

§808. Calculation of Credits Earned

Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:2357.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Examiners of Psychologists LR 32:1229 (July 2006), repealed LR 42: (August 2016)

§809. Reporting Requirements

A. Each psychologist shall complete, at the end of reporting periods, the continuing professional development report and file accordingly with the board.

B. ...

C. Supporting Documentation. Each licensee shall retain corroborative documentation, such as the CPD Verification Form, of his or her continuing professional development for six years. Although this documentation is not routinely required as part of the licensee's submission, the board may, at its discretion, request such documentation. Any misrepresentation of continuing professional development will be cause for disciplinary action by the board.

D. ...

E. The board may conduct an annual audit of Continuing Professional Development Reports. Psychologists shall be selected randomly and will be required to produce documentation for each item reported to the board. The number of psychologists selected for audit shall be determined by the board.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:2357.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Examiners of Psychologists, LR 19:47 (January 1993), amended LR 32:1229 (July 2006), LR 39:2755 (October 2013), LR 42: (August 2016)

§811. Extensions/Exemptions

A. Licensees on extended active military service outside the state of Louisiana during the applicable reporting period and who do not engage in delivering psychological services within the state of Louisiana may be granted an extension or an exemption if the board receives a timely confirmation of such status.

B. - D. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:2354

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Examiners of Psychologists, LR 19:47 (January 1993), amended LR 32:1229 (July 2006), LR 39:2755 (October 2013), LR 42: (August 2016)

§815. Reinstatement

A. - B. ...

1. The board may require documentation of continuing professional development prior to reinstating a license.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:2357.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Examiners of Psychologists, LR 19:47 (January 1993), LR 39:2756 (October 2013), LR 42: (August 2016)
Chapter 9. Licensees

§901. Reinstatement of Lapsed Licenses

A. If the licensee is not renewed by the end of July, due notice having been given, the license shall be regarded as lapsed for the year beginning with that August. Such lapsed license shall not be listed in the directory.

B. The person shall not practice psychology in Louisiana while the license is lapsed.

C. Within two years of the lapsing of such license, the licensee may submit an application for reinstatement for board review along with the payment of a reinstatement fee equal to the current application fee and the current renewal fee. Applicants who appear for reinstatement after one year of the lapsing of his/her license are required to submit to a criminal background check.

D. After two years of the lapsing of such license, the licensee may submit an application for reinstatement for board review along with the payment of a reinstatement fee equal to the current application fee and the current renewal fee provided that the person is in compliance with R.S. 37:2357.A and the rules and regulations of the board. Applicants for reinstatement received after two years are required to submit to a criminal background check and oral examination.

E. A lapsed license shall be reinstated as of the date all applicable requirements of R.S. 37:2357 have been met. However, the board retains the right to reinstate licenses retroactively in unusual circumstances as specified in the policy and procedures of the LSBEP.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:2357.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Human Resources, Board of Examiners of Psychologists, LR 42: (August 2016)

§902. Provisional License Renewal

[Formerly §901]

A. A psychologist is eligible to renew their provisional license until July 31 of each year upon submission of the required renewal fee, renewal application form and fulfillment of all continuing education requirements as defined in LAC 46:IXIII.Chapter 8.

B. A provisional license may be valid for one year beginning August 1 through July 31 for each renewal period.

C. A person whose provisional license has been suspended is not eligible for renewal. Reinstatement procedures of a suspended provisional license are at the discretion of the board.

D. A person whose provisional license has been revoked is not eligible for renewal.

E. Provisionally licensed psychologists shall be eligible for renewal of provisional licensure no more than three consecutive years.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:2353.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Examiners of Psychologists, LR 41:2619 (December 2015), repromulgated LR 42: (August 2016)

§903. Lapsed Provisional License

[Formerly §902]

A. If a provisional license is not renewed by July 31, due notice having been given, the license shall be regarded as lapsed for the year beginning with that August. Such license is not eligible for reinstatement unless such requirements are satisfied within six months from the date of lapse.

B. If a provisional license lapses for a period longer than 6 months, one may make a new application to the board. It is at the discretion of the board that any requirements not fulfilled during the year prior to lapse be completed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:2353.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Examiners of Psychologists, LR 41:2620 (December 2015), repromulgated LR 42: (August 2016)

§904. Contact Information

[Formerly §903]

A. A licensed psychologist shall notify the board within 30 days, with documentation, attesting to any change of contact information including mailing address, work address, telephone number and email address. This documentation notice shall include the psychologist's, full name, license number, and the old and new contact information.

B. Should a psychologist be displaced to a temporary location due to an emergency, the psychologist shall notify the board within 30 days, with documentation attesting to the temporary change in contact information. The documented notice shall include the psychologist's full name, license number, old and new temporary contact information.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:2357.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Board of Examiners of Psychologists, LR 32:1227 (July 2006), amended LR 39:2754 (October 2013), repromulgated LR 42: (August 2016)

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DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Health and Hospitals
Bureau of Health Services Financing

Disproportionate Share Hospital Payments
Louisiana Low-Income Academic Hospitals
(LAC 50:V-2501 and Chapter 31)

The Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing amends LAC 50:V.2501 and adopts LAC 50:V. Chapter 31 in the Medical Assistance Program as authorized by R.S. 36:254 and pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act. This Emergency Rule is promulgated in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:953(B)(1) et seq., and

shall be in effect for the maximum period allowed under the Act or until adoption of the final Rule, whichever occurs first.

The Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing promulgated Emergency Rules which amended the provisions governing disproportionate share hospital (DSH) payments to hospitals participating in public-private partnerships in the south and north Louisiana areas (*Louisiana Register*, Volume 39, Numbers 7 and 10). As a result of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' disapproval of the corresponding state plan amendments, the department determined that it was necessary to repeal the provisions of the July 6, 2013 and October 1, 2013 Emergency Rules governing DSH payments to the hospitals participating in the south and north Louisiana area public-private partnerships.

The department promulgated an Emergency Rule which amended the provisions governing DSH payments in order to establish payments to Louisiana low-income academic hospitals (*Louisiana Register*, Volume 40, Number 6). The department subsequently amended the provisions of the May 24, 2014 Emergency Rule to clarify the provisions governing the payment methodology to Louisiana low-income academic hospitals (*Louisiana Register*, Volume 40, Number 9). The department has now determined that it is necessary to amend the provisions of the September 20, 2014 Emergency Rule in order to clarify qualifying criteria for Louisiana Low-Income Academic Hospitals and reimbursement methodology. This Emergency Rule also amends the provisions governing the DSH payment methodology. This action is being taken to promote the health and welfare of Medicaid recipients by maintaining recipient access to much needed hospital services.

Effective June 20, 2016 the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing amends the provisions of the September 20, 2014 Emergency Rule governing DSH payments to low-income academic hospitals and the DSH payment methodology.

Title 50

PUBLIC HEALTH—MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Part V. Hospital Services

Subpart 3. Disproportionate Share Hospital Payments
Chapter 25. Disproportionate Share Hospital Payment Methodologies

§2501. General Provisions

- A. - C. ...
- D. - E. Repealed.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 36:254 and Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of the Secretary, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 34:657 (April 2008), amended by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 40:790 (April 2014), LR: 42:

Chapter 31. Louisiana Low-Income Academic Hospitals

§3101. Qualifying Criteria

A. Hospitals Located Outside of the Baton Rouge and New Orleans Metropolitan Statistical Area

1. Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2016, a hospital may qualify for this category by: