

BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

PROPOSED LANGUAGE

1) Amend Section 1810 of Division 18 of Title 16 as follows:

§ 1810. ALCOHOLISM AND OTHER CHEMICAL SUBSTANCE DEPENDENCY TRAINING

(a) The instruction and training in alcoholism and other chemical substance dependency required by Sections 4980.41, 4980.80, 4980.90, and 4996.2, and 4996.17 of the Code shall ~~be a course which satisfies the following criteria:~~

~~(a) The course shall consist of not less than one semester unit, with no less than fifteen hours of classroom training- or coursework and shall include each of the following areas:~~

~~(b) The course must be obtained at an educational institution or in an extension course offered by an institution, which is accredited by one or more of the entities specified in Section 1832 of the regulations or which is approved by the State Department of Education pursuant to Section 94310.2 of the Education Code.~~

~~(c) The course shall include training in each of the following subjects related to alcoholism and chemical dependency.~~

(1) The definition of alcoholism and other chemical dependency, and the evaluation of the abuser.

(2) Medical aspects of alcoholism and other chemical dependency.

(3) Current theories of the etiology of substance abuse.

(4) The role of persons and systems ~~which~~ that support or compound the abuse.

(5) Major treatment approaches to alcoholism and chemical dependency.

(6) Legal aspects of substance abuse.

(7) Knowledge of certain populations at risk with regard to substance abuse.

(8) Community resources offering assessment, treatment and follow-up for the abuser and family.

(9) The process of referring affected persons.

(10) Education concerning and prevention of substance abuse.

(b) For persons subject to Section 4980.41 (d) of the Code, the training or coursework shall be:

(1) Obtained from an educational institution or in an extension course offered by an institution that is either accredited by one or more of the entities specified in Section 1832 of these regulations or is approved by the Bureau for Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education pursuant to Sections 94900 and 94901 of the Education Code; or

(c) For all others, the training or coursework shall be obtained from the educational institutions identified in subsection (b) (1); or

(2) Obtained from or sponsored by a local, county, state or federal governmental entity; or

(3) Obtained from a licensed health facility; or

(4) Obtained from a continuing education provider approved by the board.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 4980.60 and 4990.14, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4980.41, 4980.80, 4980.90, and 4996.2 and 4996.17, Business and Professions Code.