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To: Board Members

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Subject: Workforce Development Committee Update

The Workforce Development Committee (Committee) held its most recent meeting on April 19, 2024. The purpose of the Committee is to conduct in-depth discussions about numerous topics related to the licensing process and workforce development.

During the last meeting the Committee members and stakeholders reviewed and discussed the following:

- Permitting applicants for licensure to take the required clinical examination after completing 1,500 hours of postgraduate supervised experience. The Committee directed staff to begin drafting the language, consult with legal for direction on what will be proposed in statute and in regulations, and continue discussions.
- The “additional coursework” requirements for all the Board’s regulated license types for applicants who hold an in-state degree (primarily). The intent of this overview was help form the basis for a holistic review for all additional coursework requirements for consistency, clarity, and relevance.
- The human sexuality coursework requirement for all the Board’s regulated license types, for applicants who hold an in-state degree.
- Proposed amendments to the Board’s English as a second language additional examination time allowance. The Committee directed staff to draft discussed language, fine tune the language per the discussion, and bring the proposal to the Policy and Advocacy Committee for consideration.
- An update on the Licensure Pathway Survey.
- An update on the implementation of a voluntary demographic survey for candidates taking Board developed exams.

The next Workforce Development Committee meeting will be held on August 9, 2024.