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RE: Deletion of Business and Professions Code Section 2914(g)

Dear Dr. Linder–Crow,

As you know, the Board of Psychology (Board) has had continuing concerns regarding Business and Professions Code (BPC) section 2914(g), and the potential continued outcome on consumers, by allowing applicants receiving a degree from certain unaccredited, but approved institutions to sit for licensure as a psychologist. On Friday, February 24th, 2012, the Board voted to adopt a motion to write a letter expressing concern regarding 2914(g) to Executive Director of the California Psychology Association (CPA) asking them to put on their legislative agenda the option of eliminating item (g) from BPC 2914 and building in specific reasonable timeframes to take into account the students currently enrolled and the schools themselves.

Accordingly, the Board respectfully requests that CPA place on its legislative agenda the proposal of deleting subdivision (g) from BPC section 2914, and building in specific reasonable timeframes to accommodate those students currently enrolled in those approved institutions, and the institutions themselves, if they wish to seek accreditation.

The Board looks forward to working with CPA on this legislative proposal in the best interest of protecting the consumers of California. By deleting the provision allowing a degree from certain approved institutions to qualify for licensure, it will ensure California's academic requirements remain current and at the highest standards as recognized by all other jurisdictions and national organizations.

Sincerely,

Robert Kahane, J.D.
Executive Officer
Board of Psychology