



MEMORANDUM

DATE	February 13, 2015
TO	Psychology Board Members
FROM	Jonathan Burke Administrative Services Coordinator
SUBJECT	California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act (CANRA) and Mandated Reporting - Penal Code Sections 261.5, 288, and 11165.1

Background:

At our February, 2014 Meeting, the Board moved to ask for an opinion from the Attorney General (AG) clearly stating whether oral copulation and sodomy between minors of like age is reportable. It was our hope that Senator Steinberg would seek an opinion on behalf our licensees and the Board. However, staff learned in December 2014 that the request for an opinion was never forwarded to the AG.

Board staff have been actively seeking an alternative legislator to submit the request for an opinion. Assemblymember Garcia (D - AD 58) has agreed to forward our request to the AG. The opinion will also address issues regarding mandated reporting raised by the passage of AB 1775 Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act: sexual abuse (Melendez, Chapter 264, Statutes of 2014).

Action Requested:

There is no action requested at this time.