

December 10, 2018

Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB)
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Dear ASPPB Board of Directors:

Thank you for your response to the California Board of Psychology's inquiries on October 24, 2018. Your response was presented at the Board's quarterly meeting on November 16, 2018. Based on the resulting discussion, the Board has continuing concerns that would benefit from further clarification from ASPPB. They are as follows:

- The Board of Psychology supports a competency-based examination but feels that certainty is required as to its mandatory implementation, and that a date certain for all member jurisdictions is necessary. Uncertainty as to implementation results in a current inability to move forward with the required statutory and regulatory changes.
- ASPPB would aid its member jurisdictions if it were to identify all statutory and regulatory changes needed to implement the new examination (drafting and supporting statutory and regulatory changes through advocacy, etc.) over a set period of time calibrated to the expected implementation date and the time necessary to effect needed changes.
- ASPPB should continue to evaluate the total cost of both examinations and establish a uniform lower total cost as to all jurisdictions, as of the mandatory effective date of the Enhanced EPPP.

In addition, the Board also requests that ASPPB make available to the Board and the Department of Consumer Affairs' Office of Professional Examination Services the following information as it becomes available:

- Data from Beta testing from participating jurisdictions to evaluate the validity of the Enhanced EPPP.
- Evidence of external validity that substantiates the need for the Enhanced EPPP.

This information would help further clarify the need for and validity of the Enhanced EPPP and inform the Board's discussion regarding the prospect for adoption of the Enhanced EPPP.

Your responses will be provided at the Board meeting following receipt of your response. The 2019 Board meeting dates are February 7-8, April 24-26, August 15-16, and October 3-4.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Executive Officer,
Antonette Sorrick at Antonette.Sorrick@dca.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'SCPH', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

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President
California Board of Psychology