

Order Extending Time Limitation to Accrue Supervised Professional Experience

On March 4, 2020, the Governor proclaimed a State of Emergency in California as a result of the impacts of COVID-19 to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the state prepare to respond to an increasing number of individuals requiring medical care and hospitalization as a result of a broader spread of COVID-19.

Pursuant to the Board of Psychology's (Board) authority under Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations (16 CCR) section 1387(a), on April 17, 2020, the Board found a showing of good cause, and has reasonably modified the specified time limitation for the accrual of Supervised Professional Experience below:

For trainees, who after March 4, 2020, and through the duration of the declared emergency reach the 30/60 month limitations set in 16 CCR section 1387(a) for accruing supervised professional experience (SPE) hours, the Board extends the time limitations to accrue their pre-doctoral and post-doctoral hours of supervised professional experience (respectively) required for licensure for an additional 6 months from the end date of the unmodified time limitation period.

Accordingly, 16 CCR section 1387(a) has been temporarily modified as follows (changes are in bold):

CCR Section 1387(a)

(a) Pursuant to section 2914(c) of the code, two years of qualifying SPE shall be completed and documented prior to licensure. One year of SPE shall be defined as 1500 hours. At least one year of SPE shall be completed postdoctorally. Each year of SPE shall be completed within a **thirty-six (36)** consecutive month period. If both years of SPE (3000 hours) are completed postdoctorally, they shall be completed within a **sixty-six (66)** month period. Upon showing of good cause as determined by the board, these specified time limitations may be reasonably modified.

This temporary waiver does not apply to any trainee who reached the time limitations for SPE prior to March 4, 2020, or after the end of the declared emergency.

Dated: April 20, 2020

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Board of Psychology