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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING
INCLUDING STATEMENT OF NEED & FISCAL IMPACT

CHAPTER 339
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY LICENSING BOARD

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FILING CAPTION: Amending the continuing education points awarded for contract mentoring.

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The Agency requests public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing negative economic impact of the rule on business.

A public rulemaking hearing may be requested in writing by 10 or more people, or by a group with 10 or more members, within 21 days following the publication of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the Oregon Bulletin or 28 days from the date the Notice was sent to people on the agency mailing list, whichever is later. If sufficient hearing requests are received, the notice of the date and time of the rulemaking hearing must be published in the Oregon Bulletin at least 14 days before the hearing.

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NEED FOR THE RULE(S)

The rule change aligns the awarded values with the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy competency assessment units.

DOCUMENTS RELIED UPON, AND WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE

OAR 339-020-0020, ORS 675.320, board meeting documents available through the Oregon Occupational Therapy Licensing Board.

STATEMENT IDENTIFYING HOW ADOPTION OF RULE(S) WILL AFFECT RACIAL EQUITY IN THIS STATE

The amendment of this rule will not affect racial equity in Oregon.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT:

None

COST OF COMPLIANCE:

(1) Identify any state agencies, units of local government, and members of the public likely to be economically affected by the rule(s). (2) Effect on Small Businesses: (a) Estimate the number and type of small businesses subject to the rule(s); (b) Describe the expected reporting, recordkeeping and administrative activities and cost required to comply with the rule(s); (c) Estimate the cost of professional services, equipment supplies, labor and increased administration required to comply with the rule(s).

None

DESCRIBE HOW SMALL BUSINESSES WERE INVOLVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THESE RULE(S):

business owners.

WAS AN ADMINISTRATIVE RULE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSULTED? NO IF NOT, WHY NOT?

The proposed rule is sent to all licensees, stakeholders, state association and the legislature for comment. It is also published on the board website.

AMEND: 339-020-0020

RULE SUMMARY: Rather than awarding one point for every eight hours of contract mentoring, the rule changes the award to one point for every two hours of contract mentoring. The change in hours are aligned with the National Board Certification of Occupational Therapy's continuing education requirements for mentoring.

CHANGES TO RULE:

339-020-0020

CE Categories and Points ¶¶

These numbers refer to a two year total of 30 points. Credit for CE shall be calculated on a point basis in the following categories and must relate to occupational therapy services. It is the responsibility of the licensee to demonstrate how specific classes contribute to the development of the occupational therapy skills. "Application to OT Services" (CE Log) must be included for credit. Unless stated otherwise, one point equals one contact hour. Sixteen to 30 required CE points must come from categories 1-10. A limit of 14 of the required CE points may be accrued from categories 11-18, unless noted otherwise. ¶¶

(1) Attendance at university, college or vocational technical adult education courses at or above practice level: Four points per credit hour. Documentation of successful completion required. ¶¶

(2) Attendance at seminars, workshops, or institutes: One point per direct hour of content. ¶¶

(3) Completion of online educational courses: Points as awarded by certificate or per credit, see (1). Certificate of successful completion required. ¶¶

(4) Satisfactory completion of educational activities relating to occupational therapy approved by the AOTA Approved Provider Program, sponsored by OTAO, AOTA and NBCOT or professional academic institutions relating to occupational therapy: One point per hour of attendance. Certificate of attendance required. ¶¶

(5) Publication -- Copy of publications required. ¶¶

(a) Publication of article in non-peer reviewed publication (e.g. OT Practice, SIS Quarterly, Advance, etc.): Five points per article. ¶¶

(b) Publication of article in peer-reviewed professional publication (e.g. journals, book chapter, research paper): Ten points per article. ¶¶

(c) Publication of chapter(s) in occupational therapy or related textbook: Ten points per chapter. ¶¶

(d) Authoring a book related to the practice of occupational therapy. 14 points. ¶¶

(6) Professional presentation (person presenting): Presentation must be at practice level for credit, e.g. CNA training would not be acceptable: Two points per hour with no additional points for subsequent presentation of same content. Course outline must be provided. ¶¶

(7) Development of alternative media (computer software, video or app): Three points/hr of finished product. Outline required. ¶¶

(8) Completing requirements for occupational therapy specialty certification (initial or recertification one time only for each specialty): 12 points. Copy of certificate required. ¶¶

(9) Research, provided an abstract of the research is retained to prove participation: Principal -- Eight points. Associate -- Six points. ¶¶

(10) Development and implementation of a school approved Level II student program (one time only and completed within a year): Four points. Copy of program must be provided. ¶¶

(11) In-service training: One point per hour of attendance. ¶¶

(12) Attendance at videotaped presentations of educational courses, seminars, workshops or institutes (group viewing with discussion): One-half point per direct hour of viewing with additional points for discussion, not to exceed seven points. ¶¶

(13) Student supervision, Level I: One point per student. (Up to 4 points). ¶¶

(14) Level II Fieldwork and Doctorate student supervision, OT Experiential level work: One point for 8 hours of supervision. (Up to 14 points). ¶¶

(15) Mentoring: as defined in OAR-339-010-0005(5): One point for every eight two hours contract mentoring with

documentation. Points may be obtained for both the mentor and the mentee.¶

(16) Professional leadership on a Board or Commission relating to OT -- Volunteer services to organizations, populations, and individuals that advance the reliance on and use of one's occupational therapy skills and experiences to the volunteer setting or experience: 10 hours equal two points. Up to four points a year with documentation.¶

(17) Re-Entry Supervisors: Therapists providing supervision under OAR 339-010-0016: One point for 8 hours.¶

(18) Personal Development/Self Care: Up to four points.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 675.320(11), (12)

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 675.210(4), 675.240(1) & (2), 675.250(2) & (3), 675.300(1)(a), 675.320(11)

