



Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Virginia Board of Counseling - Dept. of Health Professions	
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	18VAC115 - 20; 18VAC115 - 50; and 18VAC115 - 60;	
Regulation title	Regulations Governing The Practice Of Professional Counseling; Regulations Governing The Practice Of Marriage And Family Therapy; Regulations Governing The Practice Of Licensed Substance Abuse Treatment Practitioners.	
Action title	Name change of credentialing organizations for continuing education	
Final agency action date	November 4, 2005	
Document preparation date	January 31, 2006	

When a regulatory action is exempt from executive branch review pursuant to § 2.2-4002 or § 2.2-4006 of the Virginia Administrative Process Act (APA), the agency is encouraged to provide information to the public on the Regulatory Town Hall using this form.

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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

The Board has acted to amend existing sections: 18 VAC 115-20-106B1d6 of Regulations Governing the Practice Professional Counseling; 18 VAC 115-50-96.B1d6 of Regulations Governing the Practice of Marriage and Family Therapy; and 18 VAC 115-60-116B1d6 of Regulations Governing the Practice of Licensed Substance Abuse Treatment Practitioners to correctly designate the responsible organization referenced in that section. Currently each section references the "Commission on Rehabilitation Education." It has been brought the Board's attention that the correct name should be "The Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification."

Statement of final agency action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.

On November 4, 2005 the Virginia Board of Counseling voted to amend sections: 18 VAC 115-20-106B6 of Regulations Governing the Practice of Professional Counseling; 18 VAC 115-50-96.B1d6 of Regulations Governing the Practice of Marriage and Family Therapy; and 18 VAC 115-60-116B1d6 of Regulations Governing the Practice of Licensed Substance Abuse Treatment Practitioners by correcting the regulation sections to read "The Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification."

Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.

The exempt regulatory action will have no impact on the institution of the family and family stability.