



**Board for Hearing Aid Specialists and Opticians
Revised Effective October 31, 2019**

**Proposed Guidance Document: 18 VAC 80-30-20 –
Approved Related Technical Instruction**

Board Regulation 18 VAC 80-30-20.5.b establishes the training option of completion of a registered apprenticeship with a minimum of one year of related technical instruction. The following related technical instruction curriculums are approved by the Board:

Ophthalmic Career Progression Program

National Academy of Opticianry

<https://www.nao.org/cpp/>

Opticians Apprenticeship Career Studies

Reynolds Community College

http://www.reynolds.edu/_onlinecatalog/current/academic-programs/degrees-career-studies/opticians_apprenticecsc_160-04.aspx

Dispensing Optician

Norfolk Technical Center

<https://www.npsk12.com/Page/10298>

The Virginia Board for Hearing Aid Specialists and Opticians will be taking public comment on this proposed revision to the guidance document regarding approved related technical instruction curricula for the optician apprenticeship. A 30-day comment period will begin on September 30, 2019.

If you wish to comment on the proposed guidance document, you may do so via the Town Hall website or you may submit written comments so that they are received no later than October 30, 2019 to:

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