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Notice of Receipt of Petition for Rulemaking

Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners

N.J.A.C. 13:34-5.2

Petitioners: New Jersey Counseling Association (NJCA) 2021-2022 Executive Committee: Maria del Carmen Rodriguez, President; Eurica Pinthieve, Secretary; Benjamin Guy III, Treasurer; David Julius Ford Jr., Past President; Wanda Quezada, Past President; New Jersey Association for Multicultural Counseling (NJAMC) Past Presidents: Joana Couto, Sherritta Hughes, Joyce E. Williams, and Roberto Schiraldi.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:8B-13 and 34 et seq.

Take notice that on December 15, 2021, the Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners (Board) received a petition for rulemaking from the above-named petitioners requesting that the Board improve and increase the level of cultural competence training to ensure that counselors are equipped to provide services to clients from diverse backgrounds. While the petition did not cite the section of the New Jersey Administrative Code in question, the changes sought by petitioners would require amending N.J.A.C. 13:34-5.2(d). The petitioners request that the required amount of social and cultural competence continuing education be increased from three hours to 6.5 hours. The petitioners also request that the Board offer at least four hours of free continuing education towards this requirement and that social and cultural competence training be infused throughout core curricular areas, where appropriate.

In accordance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 1:30-4.2, a copy of this notice has been mailed to the petitioners, and the Executive Director will subsequently mail to the petitioners and file with the Office of Administrative Law a notice of action on the petition.

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