

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 1311

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President of the Senate

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 1311** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By Representatives Bronoske, Ryu, Simmons, Leavitt, Sells, Berry, Cody, Ortiz-Self, Chopp, Davis, Bateman, Lovick, Callan, Pollet, Macri, and Peterson

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1 AN ACT Relating to authorizing the issuance of substance use
2 disorder professional certifications to persons participating in
3 apprenticeship programs; amending RCW 18.205.095 and 18.205.090;
4 adding a new section to chapter 49.04 RCW; adding a new section to
5 chapter 18.205 RCW; and creating a new section.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

7 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.205.095 and 2019 c 444 s 6 are each amended to
8 read as follows:

9 (1) The secretary shall issue a trainee certificate to any
10 applicant who demonstrates to the satisfaction of the secretary that
11 he or she is working toward the education and experience requirements
12 in RCW 18.205.090.

13 (2) A trainee certified under this section shall submit to the
14 secretary for approval a declaration, in accordance with rules
15 adopted by the department, which shall be updated with the trainee's
16 annual renewal, that he or she is actively pursuing the experience
17 requirements under RCW 18.205.090 and is enrolled in ((an)):

18 (a) An approved education program ((and actively pursuing the
19 experience requirements in RCW 18.205.090. This declaration must be
20 updated with the trainee's annual renewal)); or

1 (b) An apprenticeship program reviewed by the substance use
2 disorder certification advisory committee, approved by the secretary,
3 and registered and approved under chapter 49.04 RCW.

4 (3) A trainee certified under this section may practice only
5 under the supervision of a certified substance use disorder
6 professional. The first fifty hours of any face-to-face client
7 contact must be under direct observation. All remaining experience
8 must be under supervision in accordance with rules adopted by the
9 department.

10 (4) A certified substance use disorder professional trainee
11 provides substance use disorder assessments, counseling, and case
12 management with a state regulated agency and can provide clinical
13 services to patients consistent with his or her education, training,
14 and experience as approved by his or her supervisor.

15 (5) A trainee certification may only be renewed four times.

16 (6) Applicants are subject to denial of a certificate or issuance
17 of a conditional certificate for the reasons set forth in chapter
18 18.130 RCW.

19 (7) As of July 28, 2019, a person certified under this chapter
20 holding the title of chemical dependency professional trainee is
21 considered to hold the title of substance use disorder professional
22 trainee until such time as the person's present certification expires
23 or is renewed.

24 **Sec. 2.** RCW 18.205.090 and 2019 c 444 s 5 are each amended to
25 read as follows:

26 (1) The secretary shall issue a certificate to any applicant who
27 demonstrates to the secretary's satisfaction that the following
28 requirements have been met:

29 (a) Completion of ~~((an))~~;

30 (i) An educational program approved by the secretary;

31 (ii) An apprenticeship program reviewed by the substance use
32 disorder certification advisory committee, approved by the secretary,
33 and registered and approved under chapter 49.04 RCW; or ((successful
34 completion of alternate))

35 (iii) Alternate training that meets established criteria;

36 (b) Successful completion of an approved examination, based on
37 core competencies of substance use disorder counseling; and

38 (c) Successful completion of an experience requirement that
39 establishes fewer hours of experience for applicants with higher

1 levels of relevant education. In meeting any experience requirement
2 established under this subsection, the secretary may not require more
3 than one thousand five hundred hours of experience in substance use
4 disorder counseling for applicants who are licensed under chapter
5 18.83 RCW or under chapter 18.79 RCW as advanced registered nurse
6 practitioners.

7 (2) The secretary shall establish by rule what constitutes
8 adequate proof of meeting the criteria.

9 (3) Applicants are subject to the grounds for denial of a
10 certificate or issuance of a conditional certificate under chapter
11 18.130 RCW.

12 (4) Certified substance use disorder professionals shall not be
13 required to be registered under chapter 18.19 RCW or licensed under
14 chapter 18.225 RCW.

15 (5) As of July 28, 2019, a person certified under this chapter
16 holding the title of chemical dependency professional is considered
17 to hold the title of substance use disorder professional until such
18 time as the person's present certification expires or is renewed.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 49.04
20 RCW to read as follows:

21 Educational requirements for an apprenticeship for substance use
22 disorder professionals must be defined by the secretary of health
23 under RCW 18.205.100.

24 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 18.205
25 RCW to read as follows:

26 All education requirements established as defined by the
27 secretary under RCW 18.205.100 credited by an approved education
28 program for participants in the apprenticeship program for substance
29 use disorder professionals must meet or exceed competency
30 requirements established by the secretary.

31 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** The department of health may adopt any
32 rules necessary to implement this act.

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