**1311.E AMS BH S2163.1 - NOT FOR FLOOR USE**

**EHB 1311** - S COMM AMD

By Subcommittee on Behavioral Health

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Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(a) Completion of ((~~an~~)):

(i) An educational program approved by the secretary;

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

(iii) Alternate training that meets established criteria;

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

(c) Successful completion of an experience requirement that establishes fewer hours of experience for applicants with higher levels of relevant education. In meeting any experience requirement established under this subsection, the secretary may not require more than one thousand five hundred hours of experience in substance use disorder counseling for applicants who are licensed under chapter 18.83 RCW or under chapter 18.79 RCW as advanced registered nurse practitioners.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "programs;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 18.205.095 and 18.205.090; adding a new section to chapter 49.04 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 18.205 RCW; and creating a new section."

EFFECT: The substance use disorder professional apprenticeship program must be reviewed by the Substance Use Disorder Advisory Committee prior to its approval by the Department of Health. All educational requirements established for the substance use disorder professional apprenticeship program must meet or exceed competency requirements established by the Department of Health.