DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS Title 16. PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT BOARD

MODIFIED TEXT

Application, Exam Scores, Addresses & Recordkeeping

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Modifications to the proposed regulatory language are shown in <u>double underline</u> for new text and double strikethrough for deleted text. Modifications are highlighted in yellow.

Amend Section 1399.506 of Article 1 of Division 13.8 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations

§1399.506. Filing of Applications for Licensure.

(a) Applications for (a) To become licensedure as a physician assistant shall be filed on a form provided by the board an applicant must submit all required fees, two (2) classifiable sets of fingerprint cards or a Live Scan inquiry to establish the identity of the applicant and to permit the Board to conduct a criminal history record check, and a completed application for licensure to the Board at its Sacramento office and accompanied by the fee required in section 1399.550 that contains all of the following:

(1) personal information including:

- (A) the legal name of the applicant and any aliases.
- (B) the gender of the applicant.
- (C) the applicant's social security number or identifying tax information number.
- (D) the applicant's address of record or mailing address.
- (E) the applicant's date of birth.
- (F) the applicant's telephone numbers for home and cell.
- (G) the applicant's email address.
- (2) all disclosures required by this section, and

(3) a declaration under penalty of perjury, signed and dated by the applicant, that the information submitted on the application is true and correct.

For the purposes of this subdivision "required fees" includes the license application processing fee and the initial license fee as set forth in section 1399.550. The required fees will be waived if the applicant meets the requirements for waiver of fees specified in subsection (b). The applicant shall pay any costs for furnishing fingerprints and conducting the criminal history record check.

(b) The Board shall waive the required fees specified in subsection (a) for an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in Section 115.5. of the Code and submits the following satisfactory evidence with the application set forth in this section:

(1) Certificate of marriage or certified declaration/registration of domestic partnership filed with the California Secretary of State or other documentary evidence of legal union with an active-duty member of the Armed Forces,

(2) A copy of the military orders establishing their spouse's or partner's duty station in California and.

(3) written verification from the applicant's issuing agency/licensing jurisdiction that the applicant's license in another state, district or territory of the United States is current in that jurisdiction.

The verification shall include all of the following:

(A) the full legal name of the applicant and any other name(s) the applicant has used or has been known by,

(B) the license type and number issued to the applicant by the original licensing agency/entity,

(C) the name and location of the licensing agency/entity, and, (D) the issuance and expiration date of the license.

(<u>bc</u>) Applications for approval of programs for the education and training of physician assistants shall be filed on a form provided by the board at its Sacramento office and accompanied by the fee required in section 1399.556. While disclosure of military service is voluntary, an applicant who has served as an active-duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States, was honorably discharged, and who provides evidence of such honorable discharge shall have their application review expedited pursuant to section 115.4 of the Code.

(de) If the applicant is married to, or in a domestic partnership or other legal union with, an active-duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is assigned to a duty station in California under official active-duty military orders, or if the applicant holds a current physician assistant license in another state, and provides evidence of either condition, their application review will be expedited pursuant to section 115.6 of the Code.

(ed) While disclosure of status as a refugee, asylee, or having a special immigrant visa is voluntary, an applicant who was admitted to the United States as a refugee pursuant to section 1157 of title 8 of the United States Code, or was granted asylum by the Secretary of Homeland Security or the United States Attorney General pursuant to section 1158 of Title 8 of the United States Code, or has a special immigrant visa and was granted a status pursuant to section 1244 of Public Law 110-18, Public Law 109-163, or section 602(b) of title VI of division F of Public Law 111-8, relating to Iraqi and Afghan translators/interpreters or those who worked for or on behalf of the United States government and provides evidence of that status shall have their application review expedited pursuant to section 135.4 of the Code and the Physician Assistant Board may assist such an applicant with the application process.

(fe) As a condition of licensure, an applicant shall disclose whether they have any other

licenses, registrations, or certificates in any healthcare occupation and list the status, number, and issuing state of those licenses, registrations, or certificates.

(gf) As a condition of licensure, an applicant shall disclose whether they have any malpractice history. For purposes of this subdivision "malpractice history" means:

(1) Civil judgments as described in section 803.1(b)(1) of the Code.

(2) Malpractice settlements as described in section 801.01(a)(1) of the Code.

(<u>gh</u>) As a condition of licensure, an applicant shall disclose whether they have any history of discipline. For purposes of this subdivision "history of discipline" means:

- (1) <u>suspension, expulsion, probation, or reprimand imposed by a physician</u> <u>assistant training program,</u>
- (2) <u>suspension, revocation, probation, limitations on practice, citation, fine, public reprimand, letters of public reprimand or reproval, or any other informal or confidential discipline by any authority of any state issuing licenses, registrations, or certifications. An applicant may, as a part of their application provide a written statement explaining any information provided pursuant to subparagraphs (1) and (2).</u>

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections <u>135.4</u> 2018 and 3510, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections <u>144, 115.4, 115.5, 135.4, 801.01, 803.1, 3509</u> and 3513, Business and Professions Code.

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