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Notice of Proposed Changes in the Regulations of the Alaska Board of Professional Counselors

Proposed Regulations - FAQ

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1. What is the purpose of the proposed regulations? What will this regulation do?

<u>12 AAC 62.320.</u> These changes will update organization names to be accurate, using the most up to date information available.

<u>12 AAC 62.990.</u> This change will update the definition of the word "synchronous" to be more accurate for the usage of the term. This term is used for continuing education requirements.

2. What are the costs to comply with the proposed regulations?

There is no expected cost to comply with the proposed regulation.

3. What are the positive and negative consequences of the regulations?

These updates will provide accurate and up to date information for licensees, and will therefore avoid possible confusion regarding inaccurate organization names and synchronous requirements.

There are no negative consequences to the proposed changes.

4. When will the regulations be effective?

After the public comment deadline, comments received are compiled and given to the Board for consideration. The Board may adopt the regulation as written/publicly noticed, may amend and adopt them, choose to take no action, or may withdraw the proposed regulations in part or in its whole. After Board action, the adopted regulations go to Department of Law (DOL) for final review/approval. DOL either approves or disapproves regulations. Once approved by DOL, it goes to the Lt. Governor for filing. Regulation takes effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the Lt. Governor.

Do you have a question that is not answered here? Please email <u>RegulationsAndPublicComment@alaska.gov</u> so it can be added.