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Dear Licensee:

The acupuncture regulations have recently been updated and became effective December 25, 2019. I am contacting you to make sure you are aware of a change to your continuing education requirements in advance of your renewal on September 30, 2020.

The following regulations are **no longer in effect** and **do not apply** for your upcoming renewal:

12 AAC 05.210. CONTINUING COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS. (a) An applicant for renewal of a license to practice acupuncture shall document completion of 15 contact hours of continuing competency activities acceptable to the department that was earned during the concluding licensing period.

The following regulations are **now in effect** and **do apply** for your upcoming renewal:

12 AAC 05.210. CONTINUING COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS. (a) An applicant for renewal of a license to practice acupuncture shall document completion of one of the following:

- (1) certification as a diplomate in acupuncture by the NCCAOM during the entire concluding licensing period; or
- (2) 15 Professional Development Activity points earned solely in core competency activities in acupuncture as defined by the NCCAOM during the concluding licensing period.

If you are chosen for audit, under 12 AAC 05.230, you must submit proof of the continuing competency you have completed during the concluding licensing period. You will be required to submit either a copy of your certification or copies of your NCCAOM approved PDA certificates showing the points were in core competency activities.

Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions.

Best regards,

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