

**DENTAL BOARD[650]**

**Notice of Intended Action**

**Proposing rule making related to mandatory child and dependent adult abuse identification and reporter training and providing an opportunity for public comment**

The Dental Board hereby proposes to amend Chapter 10, “General Requirements,” and Chapter 25, “Continuing Education,” Iowa Administrative Code.

*Legal Authority for Rule Making*

This rule making is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code section 147.76.

*State or Federal Law Implemented*

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code section 272C.2 as amended by 2019 Iowa Acts, House File 731.

*Purpose and Summary*

During the 2019 Legislative Session, a change was made to the Iowa Code relating to mandatory child abuse and dependent adult abuse reporter training requirements. This rule making implements this change.

*Fiscal Impact*

This rule making has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

*Jobs Impact*

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

*Waivers*

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rule making would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Board for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to rule 650—7.4(17A,147,153).

*Public Comment*

Any interested person may submit written or oral comments concerning this proposed rule making. Written or oral comments in response to this rule making must be received by the Board no later than 4:30 p.m. on October 25, 2019. Comments should be directed to:

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*Public Hearing*

No public hearing is scheduled at this time. As provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b,” an oral presentation regarding this rule making may be demanded by 25 interested persons, a governmental

subdivision, the Administrative Rules Review Committee, an agency, or an association having 25 or more members.

*Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee*

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rule making by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rule making at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rule-making actions are proposed:

ITEM 1. Amend subrule 10.6(3) as follows:

**10.6(3) *Child and dependent adult abuse training.*** Licensees or registrants who regularly examine, attend, counsel or treat children or adults in Iowa must obtain mandatory training in child and dependent adult abuse identification and reporting ~~within six months of initial employment and subsequently every five years~~ in accordance with ~~650—subrule 25.2(9)~~ 650—subrule 25.4(2).

ITEM 2. Rescind subrule 25.4(2) and adopt the following **new** subrule in lieu thereof:

**25.4(2)** Mandatory reporter training for child abuse and dependent adult abuse.

*a.* Effective July 1, 2019, a licensee who regularly examines, attends, counsels or treats adults in Iowa shall complete an initial two-hour dependent adult abuse mandatory reporter training course offered by the department of human services within six months of employment, or prior to the expiration of a current certificate. Completion of the initial training course results in two hours of continuing education credit. Thereafter, all mandatory reporters shall take a one-hour recertification training every three years, prior to the expiration of a current certificate. Completion of the recertification training results in one hour of continuing education credit.

*b.* Effective July 1, 2019, a licensee who regularly examines, attends, counsels or treats children in Iowa shall complete an initial two-hour child abuse mandatory reporter training course offered by the department of human services within six months of employment, or prior to the expiration of a current certificate. Completion of the initial training course results in two hours of continuing education credit. Thereafter, all mandatory reporters shall take a one-hour recertification training every three years, prior to the expiration of a current certificate. Completion of the recertification training results in one hour of continuing education credit.