ALABAMA BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COUNSELING

ACCEPTABLE CONTINUING EDUCATION

1. Acceptable professional development activities for continuing education must reflect provider documentation from one of the following: the National Board for Certified Counselors, Inc. (NBCC), or the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC) and must be training in the professional field of counseling as required by ABEC regulation 255-X-2-.18.

2. In addition to professional development activities with provider documentation from NBCC or CRCC, activities approved or provided by the following organizations or institutions are also acceptable continuing education events:

- Any Peer State *Counseling* Licensure Board/Department
- American Counseling Association and any of its National Divisions
- American Psychological Association and any of its National Divisions
- American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy
- National Association of Social Workers
- National Association of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Counselors
- American Association of State Counseling Boards
- Association of Marital and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards
- Association for Play Therapy
- American Art Therapy Association
- Association for Humanistic Psychology
- The Association for Integrative Psychology
- National Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers
- Association for Psychological Type
- American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors, and Therapists
- American Society of Clinical Hypnosis
- Alabama Counseling Association and any of its state divisions or chapters

- Any Institutions of higher learning accredited by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP)

3. The Board does not preapprove or accept continuing education events that are not provided or approved by NBCC, CRCC, or the organizations or institutions listed above.

4. Licensees seeking renewal are responsible for securing documentation to verify the event is/was approved or provided by NBCC, CRCC, or the organization or institution listed above.

5. Official written documentation from the agency or individual providing the approved activity (e.g., certificate, letter) or a letter of Board approval for activities is the only acceptable method for verifying continuing education activities.

6. The ABEC Administrative Code requirement for continuing education in ethics specifies such activities **must** be "devoted to ethical concerns for practice, assessment, supervision, or research **in counseling**." **This policy does not alter the continuing education requirement for ethics in counseling.** Continuing education activities concerning ethics for other disciplines are not acceptable for this requirement.

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