

Article - Health Occupations

18-101.

(g) (1) "Doctoral degree in psychology" means [a]:

(I) A degree received from a program that at the time the degree was awarded:

[(1)] 1. Is accredited by the American Psychological Association; or

[(2)] 2. Is listed in the designated doctoral programs in psychology published by:

[(i)] A. The Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards; and

[(ii)] B. The Council for the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology; OR

(II) A DOCTORAL DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY THAT MEETS THE CRITERIA FOR A DOCTORAL DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY PUBLISHED IN 1977 BY THE COUNCIL.

(2) (I) A DETERMINATION BY THE COUNCIL UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(II) OF THIS SUBSECTION THAT A DOCTORAL DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY MEETS ITS CRITERIA ~~IN PSYCHOLOGY~~ SHALL BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD AS PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE THAT THE DEGREE MEETS THOSE CRITERIA.

(II) IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY MEETS THE CRITERIA DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1)(II) OF THIS SUBSECTION AND SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE BOARD MAY CONSIDER THE COMPLETION OF POSTDOCTORAL COURSE WORK IN PSYCHOLOGY, NOT TO EXCEED 9 SEMESTER HOURS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, has been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1998.~~

Approved May 21, 1998.