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RULE TITLE: CE in Cultural Competency

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RULE SUMMARY: Under ORS 675.320 (10) The board has the authority to establish minimum requirements for continuing education. Under this authority the board is proposing that demonstration of completion of required Cultural Competency CE change from every other to every license renewal. The change is to eliminate confusion about when cultural competency CE is due. There is also a high likelihood of non-compliance if it is every other renewal. For those who did not complete the CE the first renewal would be subject to discipline with inability to do anything about it.

RULE TEXT:

- (1) Effective July 1, 2020, all currently licensed occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants must complete at least one hour on Cultural Competency during each license renewal cycle.
- (2) Beginning in 2022, demonstration of completion of required Cultural Competency CE must be provided in a format prescribed by the Board during every license renewal.
- (3) This required CE in Cultural Competency may also be used towards satisfying the Occupational Therapy CE requirement under OAR 339-020-0010.
- (4) The Board encourages all licensees to obtain Cultural Competency CE from the approved list, promulgated by the Oregon Health Authority. The Board shall also accept Cultural Competency CE that is not obtained from the Oregon Health Authority's approved list, to the extent the Board determines that Cultural Competency CE claimed teaches the Cultural Competency skills recognized by the Oregon Health Authority in rules that are effective at the time the Cultural Competency CE is obtained. However, the Board will not pre-approve Cultural Competency CE outside the approved list promulgated by the Oregon Health Authority.

STATUTORY/OTHER AUTHORITY: ORS 675.320(8)

STATUTES/OTHER IMPLEMENTED: ORS 675.320