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RULE TITLE: Clinical Training

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RULE SUMMARY: The rule amendments update language to clarify the requirements for clinical supervisors and for acupuncture students performing acupuncture in training situations.

RULE TEXT:

(1) A clinical supervisor must meet the following requirements:

(a) Be an actively licensed Oregon acupuncturist who has practiced as an acupuncturist for a period of at least five years, and is in good standing with the Board; or

(b) Be an actively licensed Oregon physician who is in good standing with the Board, who has been practicing acupuncture for a period of at least five years, and has passed the examination for acupuncture; or

(c) Be an acupuncturist or physician licensed, registered, or certified by another jurisdiction, who is in good standing with such jurisdiction, who has been practicing acupuncture for a period of at least five years and has passed a qualifying examination for acupuncture, or been certified in acupuncture by the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (NCCAOM) through its Credentials Documentation Examination. If a portion of those five or more years was prior to licensing, registration, or certification, then prior practice must be documented to the Board's satisfaction. The NCCAOM Certification Standards for Documentation will be used. All clinical supervisors under this section are subject to Board approval.

(2) Board approved clinical supervisors, acupuncturists or physicians may supervise no more than two acupuncture students in an informal private clinical setting.

(3) An "acupuncture student" is an individual:

(a) Enrolled in a school approved to offer credit for post-secondary clinical education in Oregon; or

(b) A practitioner licensed to practice acupuncture in another state or foreign country who is enrolled in clinical training provided by a clinical supervisor approved by the Oregon Medical Board.

(4) An acupuncture student must comply with OAR 847-070-0005 to 847-070-0055.

(5) An acupuncture student may not perform any act that constitutes the practice of medicine or the practice of acupuncture, except under direct supervision of a person approved by the Board as a clinical supervisor to provide

clinical training as described in this rule.

STATUTORY/OTHER AUTHORITY: ORS 677.265

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