



/// LEGISLATIVE UPDATE ///



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it belongs to the brave.”** – Ronald Reagan

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Sacramento Update

- 2023-24 Legislative Session
 - Adjourned for year – Return in January
 - Hundreds of bills sent to Governor Newsom (Oct. 14 deadline)
- New Crop of Legislators – More Progressive
 - 2/3 Democrat Majority in Assembly & Senate
- New Leaders in Both Houses
 - Trickle down effect – committee chairs and membership
- NO Bills Targeting Sector
- Governor Newsom National Focus



Legislation

- AB 689 (Carrillo) – CC Nursing Program Cohorts Have 15% Existing Healthcare Workers
 - Two Year Bill
- AB 1160 (Pacheco) – Protecting Students from College Creditor Act
 - Two Year Bill
- AB 1577 (Low) – Clinical Placements Priority for CC's
 - Two Year Bill
- AB 376 (Villapadua) – Driver Training Programs Cal Grant Eligible
 - Governor's Desk
- SB 525 (Durazo) – Healthcare Workers Minimum Wage Increase
 - Governor's Desk



2024 Election

- March Primary is Coming Quick
- Open U.S. Senate Seat (Rep. Porter and Schiff)
- Control of U.S. House of Representatives – Important CA Seats
- State Legislature
 - 10 of 40 Senators termed out
 - 8 of 80 in Assembly (largely because many retired early in 2022)
 - 2026 will see another large % of members termed out



Looking Ahead to 2024

- Carry Over “Two-Year” Bills
- New Legislation – February Deadline
- BPPE Fee Audit and Discussion
- Budget Deficit?



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Regulatory Notes BPPE

- Senate Bill 1433 Roth
- BPPE extended to Jan. 1, 2027
- Any Investigation requires notice to BPPE within 30 days
- Loss of Licensing Agency Approval = automatic program suspension



Added Prohibited Business Practices

- Collecting charges not mentioned in enrollment agreement
- Refusing to provide transcript when money is owing
- Requiring non-disclosure except for trade secrets or intellectual property
- Failure to adhere to State Policies (whatever that means)

Definition of Physical Presence Changed

- Services from a physical location if instruction is offered there
- New definition created for “Limited Physical Presence”
- Limited presence requires instruction and/or support services from a physical location in CA but is focused on Registration rather than approval (aimed at out of state schools)
- Bureau will issue added regulations addressing limited physical presence



Automatic Loss of License upon Closure

- Bureau will determine date of closure
- Bureau will develop further regulations



Non-CA Public Institutions

- Now allowed to apply for approval when offering educational services in CA.
- Non-Accredited Out of State Institutions
 - Must register and report information “as applicable”