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**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE - BPC**

**DIVISION 2. HEALING ARTS [500 - 4999.129]** ( *Division 2 enacted by Stats. 1937, Ch. 399.*  )

**CHAPTER 6.6. Psychologists [2900 - 2999.105]** ( *Chapter 6.6 repealed and added by Stats. 1967, Ch. 1677.*  )

**ARTICLE 2. Administration [2920 - 2936]** ( *Article 2 added by Stats. 1967, Ch. 1677.*  )

**2920.** (a) The Board of Psychology shall enforce and administer this chapter. The board shall consist of nine members, four of whom shall be public members.

(b) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2026, and as of that date is repealed.

(c) Notwithstanding any other law, the repeal of this section renders the board subject to review by the appropriate policy committees of the Legislature.

(Amended by Stats. 2021, Ch. 647, Sec. 12. (SB 801) Effective January 1, 2022. Repealed as of January 1, 2026, by its own provisions.)

**2920.1.** Protection of the public shall be the highest priority for the Board of Psychology in exercising its licensing, regulatory, and disciplinary functions. Whenever the protection of the public is inconsistent with other interests sought to be promoted, the protection of the public shall be paramount.

(Added by Stats. 2002, Ch. 107, Sec. 12. Effective January 1, 2003.)

**2921.** Each member of the board shall hold office for a term of four years, and shall serve until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor or until one year shall have elapsed since the expiration of the term for which he or she was appointed, whichever first occurs. No member may serve for more than two consecutive terms.

(Amended by Stats. 1989, Ch. 888, Sec. 6.)

**2922.** In appointing the members of the board, except the public members, the Governor shall use his or her judgment to select psychologists who represent, as widely as possible, the varied professional interests of psychologists in California.

The Governor shall appoint two of the public members and the five licensed members of the board qualified as provided in Section 2923. The Senate Rules Committee and the Speaker of the Assembly shall each appoint a public member, and their initial appointment shall be made to fill, respectively, the first and second public member vacancies which occur on or after January 1, 1983.

(Amended by Stats. 1998, Ch. 589, Sec. 2. Effective January 1, 1999.)

**2923.** Each member of the board shall have all of the following qualifications:

(a) He or she shall be a resident of this state.

(b) Each member appointed, except the public members shall be a licensed psychologist.

The public members shall not be licentiates of the board or of any board under this division or of any board referred to in the Chiropractic Act or the Osteopathic Act.

(Amended by Stats. 1989, Ch. 888, Sec. 8.)

**2924.** The Governor has power to remove from office any member of the board for neglect of any duty required by this chapter, for incompetency, or for unprofessional conduct.

(Amended by Stats. 1989, Ch. 888, Sec. 9.)

**2925.** The board shall elect annually a president and vice president from among its members.

*(Amended by Stats. 1998, Ch. 589, Sec. 3. Effective January 1, 1999.)*

**2926.** The board shall hold at least one regular meeting each year. Additional meetings may be held upon call of the chairman or at the written request of any two members of the board.

*(Amended by Stats. 1989, Ch. 888, Sec. 11.)*

**2927.** Five members of the board shall at all times constitute a quorum.

*(Added by renumbering Section 2932 by Stats. 1994, Ch. 26, Sec. 69. Effective March 30, 1994.)*

**2927.5.** Notice of each regular meeting of the board shall be given in accordance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code).

*(Amended by Stats. 1994, Ch. 26, Sec. 66. Effective March 30, 1994.)*

**2928.** The board shall administer and enforce this chapter.

*(Amended by Stats. 1997, Ch. 758, Sec. 35. Effective January 1, 1998.)*

**2929.** The board shall adopt a seal, which shall be affixed to all licenses issued by the board.

*(Amended by Stats. 1997, Ch. 758, Sec. 36. Effective January 1, 1998.)*

**2930.** The board shall from time to time adopt rules and regulations as may be necessary to effectuate this chapter. In adopting rules and regulations the board shall comply with Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

*(Amended by Stats. 1989, Ch. 888, Sec. 14.)*

**2931.** The board shall examine and pass upon the qualifications of the applicants for a license as provided by this chapter.

*(Amended by Stats. 1989, Ch. 888, Sec. 15.)*

**2933.** (a) Except as provided by Section 159.5, the board shall employ and shall make available to the board within the limits of the funds received by the board all personnel necessary to carry out this chapter. The board may employ, exempt from the State Civil Service Act, an executive officer to the Board of Psychology. The board shall make all expenditures to carry out this chapter. The board may accept contributions to effectuate the purposes of this chapter.

(b) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2026, and as of that date is repealed.

*(Amended by Stats. 2021, Ch. 647, Sec. 13. (SB 801) Effective January 1, 2022. Repealed as of January 1, 2026, by its own provisions.)*

**2934.** Notwithstanding Section 112, the board may issue, biennially, a current geographical directory of licensed psychologists. The directory may be sent to licensees and to other interested parties at cost.

*(Amended by Stats. 1989, Ch. 888, Sec. 18.)*

**2934.1.** (a) The board may post on its Internet Web site the following information on the current status of the license for all current and former licensees:

(1) Whether or not the licensee has a record of a disciplinary action.

(2) Any of the following enforcement actions or proceedings against the licensee:

(A) Temporary restraining orders.

(B) Interim suspension orders.

(C) Revocations, suspensions, probations, or limitations on practice ordered by the board or by a court with jurisdiction in the state, including those made part of a probationary order, cease practice order, or stipulated agreement.

(D) Accusations filed by the board, including those accusations that are on appeal, excluding ones that have been dismissed or withdrawn where the action is no longer pending.

(E) Citations issued by the board. Unless withdrawn, citations shall be posted for five years from the date of issuance.

(b) The board may also post on its Internet Web site all of the following historical information in its possession, custody, or control regarding all current and former licensees:

(1) Institutions that awarded the qualifying educational degree and type of degree awarded.

(2) A link to the licensee's professional Internet Web site. Any link that provides access to a licensee's professional Internet Web site, once clicked, shall be accompanied by a notification that informs the Internet Web site viewer that they are no longer on the board's Internet Web site.

(c) The board may also post other information designated by the board in regulation.

*(Added by Stats. 2016, Ch. 484, Sec. 9. (SB 1193) Effective January 1, 2017.)*

**2935.** Each member of the board shall receive a per diem and expenses as provided in Section 103.

*(Amended by Stats. 1989, Ch. 888, Sec. 19.)*

**2936.** The board shall adopt a program of consumer and professional education in matters relevant to the ethical practice of psychology. The board shall establish as its standards of ethical conduct relating to the practice of psychology, the "Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct" published by the American Psychological Association (APA). Those standards shall be applied by the board as the accepted standard of care in all licensing examination development and in all board enforcement policies and disciplinary case evaluations.

To facilitate consumers in receiving appropriate psychological services, all licensees and registrants shall be required to post, in a conspicuous location in their principal psychological business office, a notice which reads as follows:

"NOTICE TO CONSUMERS: The Department of Consumer Affairs' Board of Psychology receives and responds to questions and complaints regarding the practice of psychology. If you have questions or complaints, you may contact the board by email at [bopmail@dca.ca.gov](mailto:bopmail@dca.ca.gov), on the Internet at [www.psychology.ca.gov](http://www.psychology.ca.gov), by calling 1-866-503-3221, or by writing to the following address:

Board of Psychology  
1625 North Market Boulevard, Suite –215  
Sacramento, California 95834"

*(Amended by Stats. 2014, Ch. 316, Sec. 10. (SB 1466) Effective January 1, 2015.)*