
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 346-46, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "**§346-46 Certified nurse aides; training programs and**
4 **recertification.** (a) The director shall:

5 (1) Approve training programs for nurse aides and ensure
6 that the training programs comply with all applicable
7 federal and state requirements;

8 (2) Approve and arrange for the recertification process
9 for nurse aides who work in medicare or medicaid
10 certified nursing facilities;

11 (3) Approve and arrange for the recertification process
12 for nurse aides who work in state-licensed or state-
13 certified health care settings; [~~and~~]

14 (4) Require recertification not less than every two
15 years[~~.—The~~]; provided that the number of continuing
16 education hours required for recertification shall not
17 exceed twenty-four hours, except as specified by



1 federal law[-], and shall include multicultural health
2 awareness and education as needed; and

3 (5) Require training programs and the recertification
4 process for nurse aides to include a multicultural
5 health awareness and education program.

6 (b) For the purposes of this section, "multicultural
7 health" means the provision of health care services with the
8 knowledge and awareness of the causes and effects of the
9 determinants of health that lead to disparities in health status
10 according to gender or among racial and ethnic populations and
11 the practice skills necessary to respond appropriately."

12 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

14 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.
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Report Title:

Nurse Aides; Certification; Training Program

Description:

Requires training programs, the recertification process, and continuing education for nurse aides to include multicultural health awareness and education. Effective July 1, 2013.

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