



Natural Therapies Certification Board

NATURAL THERAPIES CERTIFICATION BOARD NEWS

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News Briefs:

Please note that members may not change their original designation without proper documentation. Your renewal certificate will reflect the original description, no matter what box you check on the recertification or renewal form. If you have any questions, please email us at info@ntcb.org. Thank you.

The Natural Therapies Certification Board will be closed for vacation from July 1 – July 8. June renewals will not be charged a late fee until after July 15th.

Success Series Seminar

Bioenergetics4U has just announced a Success Series Course which is available to all NTCB-certified members at a special rate before 9/1/11. This course applies to all modalities and offers 20 CEUs (enough to renew your certification).

This module consists of five pre-recorded calls. Participants also receive guidance on how to strategically set a plan of action in order to achieve exactly what you desire along with several attachments to support your process.

1. How To “Talk” Your Modality/Practice with others
2. Stressology 101
3. How to Create A Niche Market (revised)
4. Promoting Yourself On A Large Scale (revised)
5. How to Set and Accomplish Your Practice Goals (creating a plan)

To sign up today at the special introductory price, please go to <http://www.bioenergetics4u.com>; then go to Specialty Classes tab and then click on the Success Series. For question, please see the contact information on their website.

For other accredited training, please visit our website <http://www.ntcb.org/accredited.html> - be sure to scroll down to check out the training and/or modality you are interested in.

Legislation Update

Nevada Law AB289 Threatens Natural Health Professionals (reprinted in part from Natural Therapies News – Sara Greer, Editor – to receive the full article please contact Sara at imjnt.editor@gmail.com)

On June 6, an appalling new law took effect in Nevada. AB289, officially titled “Enacts provisions related to the practice of dietetics”, actually affects a wide range of natural health care professions. As usual with such laws, the devil is in the details. Defining both the scope of practice and the licensure requirements for “licensed dietitian”, AB289 defines “dietetics” as including “medical nutrition therapy” and “nutrition services”. Let’s look at the actual language of the law.

How does AB289 define “medical nutrition therapy”? *“Medical nutrition therapy” means the use of nutrition services by a licensed dietitian to manage, treat or rehabilitate a disease, illness, injury or medical condition of a patient.*

How does it define “nutrition services”? *“Nutrition services” means the performance of acts designated by the Board which are within the practice of dietetics.*

How does it define the scope of practice of dietetics? *“Practice of dietetics” means the performance of any act in the nutrition care process, including, without limitation, assessment, evaluation, diagnosis, counseling, intervention, monitoring and treatment, of a person which requires substantial specialized judgment and skill based on the knowledge, application and integration of the principles derived from the sciences of food, nutrition, management, communication, biology, behavior, physiology and social science to achieve and maintain proper nourishment and care of the health of the person.*

Further, the practice of dietetics itself is defined to include *“assessing the nutritional needs of a person and determining resources for and constraints in meeting those needs by obtaining, verifying and interpreting data; determining the metabolism of a person and identifying the food, nutrients and supplements necessary for growth, development, maintenance or attainment of proper nourishment of the person; identifying and labeling nutritional problems of a person; providing counseling, advice and assistance concerning health and disease with respect to the nutritional intake of a person; establishing priorities, goals and objectives that meet the nutritional needs of a person and are consistent with the resources of the person, including, without limitation, providing instruction on meal preparation; and planning activities to change the behavior, risk factors, environmental conditions or other aspects of the health and nutrition of a person, a group of persons or the community at large.”*

This law is part of the America Dietetics Association’s effort to put itself in a position similar to that of the AMA: full control of professionals in their field. Unfortunately, in Nevada they’ve succeeded. Look for attempts to pass similar laws coming soon, all across the US. There is legislation in North Carolina and Nevada currently pending.

Is your certification expiring?

Check your certificate or email us for your expiration date. Visit our website at <http://ntcb.org/apply.html> and follow the instructions to pay online and download a recertification form for your designation. You may also mail your recertification into headquarters (address on the application). Each designation is \$65/year.

Have you moved lately?

Let us know how we can find you by sending us your new contact information, including email address, to ntcb.info@gmail.com. Thank you!

Thanks to all for your continued support.

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