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HB 25-1176: Behavioral Health Treatment Stigma for Providers

Implementation of HB25-1176

On May 31, 2025, Governor Polis signed [HB25-1176: Behavioral Health Treatment Stigma for Providers](#) into law. This bill updates requirements for application for medical board licensees, including adding that: the board shall consider the recommendations of the Federation of State Medical Boards, or its successor organization, and the requirements of the federal “Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990”, when developing application questions; asserting that an application must not require the disclosure of personal medical or health information that is not relevant to the applicant’s ability to provide safe, competent, and ethical patient care; stating that an application must NOT include questions seeking information about past-health related conditions that do not impact an applicant’s ability to practice safe care. The Board is likewise required to provide information in the application about the board’s paper health assistance program, the applicant’s ability to self-refer to the peer health assistance program at any time, and the applicant’s ability to self-refer in lieu of disclosure to the board.

For other health-care boards, the bill requires that a health-care professional must provide notice of a substance use disorder and specifies that the health-care professional is required only to provide notice of a current physical illness, physical condition, behavioral health disorder, mental health disorder, or substance use disorder.

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