

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1997 SESSION

CHAPTER 227

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 54.1-2912.1, relating to continued competency requirements for certain health professions.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 54.1-2912.1 as follows:

§ 54.1-2912.1. Continued competency requirements.

A. The Board shall prescribe by regulation such requirements as may be necessary to ensure continued practitioner competence which may include continuing education, testing, and/or any other requirement.

B. In promulgating such regulations, the Board shall consider (i) the need to promote ethical practice, (ii) an appropriate standard of care, (iii) patient safety, (iv) application of new medical technology, (v) appropriate communication with patients, and (vi) knowledge of the changing health care system.

C. The Board may approve persons who provide or accredit such programs in order to accomplish the purposes of this section.