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An act relating to expanding the Vermont Practitioner Recovery Network

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

* * * Podiatrists * * *

Sec. 1. 26 V.S.A. § 374 is amended to read:

§ 374. FEES; LICENSES

(a) Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

(1) Application for licensure, \$650.00; the Board shall use at least \$25.00 of this fee to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery Network, which, for the protection of the public, monitors ~~recovering chemically dependent licensees for the protection of the public and~~ evaluates, coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees who have or potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety, which may result from:

(A) a mental condition;

(B) a physical illness or condition, including an illness or condition that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perceptive skills; or

(C) a substance use disorder, including abuse and dependency on drugs or alcohol.

(2) Biennial renewal, \$525.00; the Board shall use at least \$25.00 of this fee to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery Network, which, for the protection of the public, monitors recovering chemically dependent licensees for the protection of the public and evaluates, coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees who have or potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety, which may result from:

(A) a mental condition;

(B) a physical illness or condition, including an illness or condition that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perceptive skills; or

(C) a substance use disorder, including abuse and dependency on drugs or alcohol.

(b) As used in this section, “mental condition” means any psychiatric or emotional disorder that either falls within the diagnostic categories listed in the International Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD) or is defined by the most recent Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM).

* * * Physicians * * *

Sec. 2. 26 V.S.A. § 1401a is amended to read:

§ 1401a. FEES

(a) The Department of Health shall collect the following fees:

(1) Application for licensure, \$650.00; the Board shall use at least \$25.00 of this fee to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery Network, which, for the protection of the public, monitors ~~recovering chemically dependent licensees for the protection of the public and~~ evaluates, coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees who have or potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety, which may result from:

(A) a mental condition;

(B) a physical illness or condition, including an illness or condition that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perceptive skills; or

(C) a substance use disorder, including abuse and dependency on drugs or alcohol.

(2) Biennial renewal, \$525.00; the Board shall use at least \$25.00 of this fee to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery Network, which, for the protection of the public, monitors ~~recovering~~ chemically dependent licensees for the protection of the public and evaluates, coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees who have or potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety, which may result from:

(A) a mental condition;

(B) a physical illness or condition, including an illness or condition that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perceptive skills; or

(C) a substance use disorder, including abuse and dependency on drugs or alcohol.

(3) Initial limited temporary license; annual renewal \$75.00.

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(c) As used in this section, “mental condition” means any psychiatric or emotional disorder that either falls within the diagnostic categories listed in the International Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD) or is defined by the most recent Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM).

* * * Anesthesiologist Assistants * * *

Sec. 3. 26 V.S.A. § 1662 is amended to read:

§ 1662. FEES

(a) Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

(1)(A)(i) Original application for certification, \$120.00;

(ii) Each additional application, \$55.00;

(B) The Board shall use at least \$10.00 of these fees to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery Network, which, for the protection of the public, monitors recovering chemically dependent

licensees for the protection of the public and evaluates, coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees who have or potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety, which may result from:

(i) a mental condition;

(ii) a physical illness or condition, including an illness or condition that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perceptive skills; or

(iii) a substance use disorder, including abuse and dependency on drugs or alcohol.

(2)(A)(i) Biennial renewal, \$120.00;

(ii) Each additional renewal, \$55.00;

(B)(i) The Board shall use at least \$10.00 of these fees to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery Network, which, for the protection of the public, monitors recovering chemically dependent licensees for the protection of the public and evaluates, coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees who have or potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety, which may result from:

(I) a mental condition;

(II) a physical illness or condition, including an illness or condition that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perceptive skills; or

(III) a substance use disorder, including abuse and dependency on drugs or alcohol.

(ii) In addition to the fee, an applicant for certification renewal shall submit evidence in a manner acceptable to the Board that he or she continues to meet the certification requirements of the NCCAA.

(3) Transfer of certification, \$20.00.

(b) As used in this section, “mental condition” means any psychiatric or emotional disorder that either falls within the diagnostic categories listed in the International Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD) or is defined by the most recent Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM).

* * * Physician Assistants * * *

Sec. 4. 26 V.S.A. § 1740 is amended to read:

§ 1740. FEES

(a) Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

(1) Original application for licensure, \$225.00; the Board shall use at least \$10.00 of this fee to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery Network, which, for the protection of the public, monitors ~~recovering chemically dependent licensees for the protection of the public~~ and evaluates, coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of

licensees who have or potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety, which may result from:

(A) a mental condition;

(B) a physical illness or condition, including an illness or condition that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perceptive skills; or

(C) a substance use disorder, including abuse and dependency on drugs or alcohol.

(2) Biennial renewal, \$215.00; the Board shall use at least \$10.00 of this fee to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery Network, which, for the protection of the public, monitors recovering chemically dependent licensees for the protection of the public and evaluates, coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees who have or potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety, which may result from:

(A) a mental condition;

(B) a physical illness or condition, including an illness or condition that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perceptive skills; or

(C) a substance use disorder, including abuse and dependency on drugs or alcohol.

(b) As used in this section, "mental condition" means any psychiatric or emotional disorder that either falls within the diagnostic categories listed in the

International Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD) or is defined by the most recent Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM).

* * * Radiologist Assistants * * *

Sec. 5. 26 V.S.A. § 2862 is amended to read:

§ 2862. FEES

(a) Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

(1)(A)(i) Original application for certification \$120.00;

(ii) Each additional application \$55.00;

(B) The Board shall use at least \$10.00 of these fees to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery Network, which, for protection of the public, monitors recovering chemically dependent licensees for the protection of the public and evaluates, coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees who have or potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety, which may result from:

(i) a mental condition;

(ii) a physical illness or condition, including an illness or condition that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perceptive skills; or

(iii) a substance use disorder, including abuse and dependency on drugs or alcohol.

(2)(A)(i) Biennial renewal \$120.00;

(ii) Each additional renewal \$55.00;

(B)(i) The Board shall use at least \$10.00 of these fees to support the cost of maintaining the Vermont Practitioner Recovery Network, which, for the protection of the public, monitors recovering chemically dependent licensees for the protection of the public and evaluates, coordinates services for, and promotes rehabilitation of licensees who have or potentially have an impaired ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety, which may result from:

(I) a mental condition;

(II) a physical illness or condition, including an illness or condition that adversely affects cognitive, motor, or perceptive skills; or

(III) a substance use disorder, including abuse and dependency on drugs or alcohol.

(ii) In addition to the fee, an applicant for certification renewal shall submit evidence in a manner acceptable to the Board that he or she continues to meet the certification requirements of the ARRT and is licensed as a radiologic technologist under chapter 51 of this title.

(3) Transfer of certification \$20.00.

(b) As used in this section, “mental condition” means any psychiatric or emotional disorder that either falls within the diagnostic categories listed in the International Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD) or is defined by the most recent Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM).

* * * Effective Date * * *

Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.