The New York State Board of Regents passed an amendment proposed by the New York State Education Department’s Office of Professional Practice to require psychologists, social workers and mental health practitioners to complete three continuing education credits on maintaining appropriate professional boundaries with patients/clients/students each triennial registration period (with registration periods beginning on and after April 1, 2023) in order to further the interest of public health and protection. These continuing education credits must be taken from NYSED-approved providers as part of the required course of 36 continuing education credits continually in place to maintain a New York State Professional License. *See the full motion below:*

**PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE**

The Professional Practice Committee held its scheduled meeting on October 4, 2022.

**Proposed Amendment to Sections 72.6 and 74.10 and Subparts 79-9.8, 79-10.8, 79-11.8 and 79-12.8 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Continuing Education Requirements for Psychologists, Social Workers and Mental Health Practitioners**

[PPC (A) 2 - REVISED] - Department staff presented for adoption proposed amendments to the Commissioner’s regulations to require psychologists, social workers and mental health practitioners to complete three continuing education credits on issues related to maintaining appropriate professional boundaries with patients/clients each triennial registration period in order to further the interest of public health and protection. These professional-boundary continuing education credits must be taken from Department approved providers.

The Committee recommends that sections 72.6, 74.10, 79-9.8, 79-10.8, 79-11.8, and 79-12.8 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education be amended, as submitted, effective October 19, 2022.

The motion passed unanimously.