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AN ACT to amend and reenact section seven-a, article one, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to continuing education for certain health care professionals.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section seven-a, article one, chapter thirty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL STATE
BOARDS OF EXAMINATION OR REGISTRATION
REFERRED TO IN CHAPTER.**

§30-1-7a. Continuing education.

- 1 (a) Each board referred to in this chapter shall establish
- 2 continuing education requirements as a prerequisite to license
- 3 renewal. Each board shall develop continuing education criteria

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4 appropriate to its discipline, which shall include, but not be
5 limited to, course content, course approval, hours required and
6 reporting periods.

7 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this code or the
8 provision of any rule to the contrary, each person issued a
9 license to practice medicine and surgery or a license to practice
10 podiatry or a license as a physician assistant by the West
11 Virginia board of medicine, each person licensed as a pharma-
12 cist by the West Virginia board of pharmacy, each person
13 licensed to practice registered professional nursing or licensed
14 as an advanced nurse practitioner by the West Virginia board of
15 examiners for registered professional nurses, each person
16 licensed as a licensed practical nurse by the West Virginia state
17 board of examiners for licensed practical nurses and each
18 person licensed to practice medicine and surgery as an osteo-
19 pathic physician and surgeon or certified as an osteopathic
20 physician assistant by the West Virginia board of osteopathy
21 shall complete two hours of continuing education coursework
22 in the subject of end-of-life care including pain management
23 during each continuing education reporting period. The two
24 hours shall be part of the total hours of continuing education
25 required by each board by rule and not two additional hours.

That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

In effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within *is approved* this the *27th* day of *April*, 2001.

Governor

PRESENTED TO THE

GOVERNOR

Date

4/24/01

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