

Continuing Education on Maintaining Appropriate Boundaries Required Starting April 1, 2023

The New York State Education Department (SED) has issued an advisory stating that for each triennial license renewal cycle social workers will be required to have 3 hours continuing education on maintaining appropriate boundaries as part of the 36 hours CE requirement. Licenses that get renewed prior to April 1, 2023 are not required to have this 3 hours during this renewal period and will need to take the courses during their next triennial cycle. All social workers whose licenses renew after April 1, 2023 are required to get this training during this renewal period. The required training may be gotten from any source approved by the SED to provide continuing education.

At the moment we do not know of any specific courses offering this training though we suspect that content is being developed to address this. Also, per the announcement by the SED: "...coursework in ethics that address appropriate boundaries would meet that provision." (emphasis in the original)

The link for the advisory notice which contains links for further information is:

<https://www.op.nysed.gov/advisory-notice-5>