

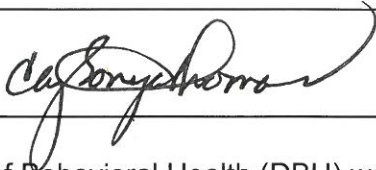


County of San Bernardino Department of Behavioral Health

INFORMATION NOTICE 12-02

Date 07/27/2012

To Department of Behavioral Health Employees, Providers, and Contract Agencies

From CaSonya Thomas, Director 

Subject Members of the Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) workforce, employees, providers, or contract agency staff may have their License Denied or Suspended For Failure to Pay Taxes (AB 1424, Perea, Chapter 455, Statutes of 2011)

Introduction Effective July 1, 2012, the following California state governmental licensing entities will be required to deny an application for licensure. Additionally, they shall suspend the license/certificate/registration of any DBH workforce, employee, provider or licensee who has outstanding tax obligations.

- Board of Behavioral Sciences (BBS)
- Medical Board/Osteopathic Medical Board of California
- Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians
- Board of Psychology
- Board of Registered Nursing
- Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)
- Board of Occupational Therapy

Background This suspension applies to any DBH employee, provider, or contract agency staff that has tax obligations due to the Franchise Tax Board (FTB); or the State Board of Equalization (BOE) *and* appears on either the FTB or BOE's certified lists of top 500 tax delinquencies over \$100,000.

Action Required Once it has been determined the employee, provider, or licensee is on the certified list, he/she has:

- Ninety (90) days to satisfy the outstanding tax obligation
- Enter into a payment installment plan with the FTB or BOE; or,
- Establish existence of a current financial hardship

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Failure to Adhere

Failure to adhere with the aforementioned conditions will result in the denial or suspension of the license (s) until the applicable agency receives a release from the FTB or BOE.

Release of License

Once the licensee complies with the tax obligation by payment of the unpaid taxes, enters into an installment payment agreement, or establishes the existence of a current financial hardship, the BOE or the FTB, will mail a release form to the applicant or licensee and provide a release to the BBS. Once received, the BBS will process the release within five (5) business days of its receipt.

Disclosure of License Information

If an inquiry is received by any of the state governmental licensing entities regarding the status of a professional license, it is obligated to disclose the license status as temporary, denied, or suspended. Additional information is that the licensee were given a temporary license due to the licensee appearing on the certified list of the 500 largest tax delinquencies pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code §§ 7063 and 19195.

Reference

[Assembly Bill 1424, Perea, Chapter 455, Statutes of 2011](#)
[California Revenue and Taxation Code, Section 7063](#)
[California Revenue and Taxation Code, Section 19195](#)

Questions

Questions regarding this Information Notice shall be directed to the DBH Office of Compliance at (909) 382-3083.
