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April 28, 2023

The Honorable Paul Pate  
Secretary of State of Iowa  
State Capitol  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit:

House File 183, an Act relating to the requirements for a prescribing psychologist or a psychologist with a conditional prescription certificate.

The above House File 183 is hereby approved on this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Reynolds".

Kim Reynolds  
Governor of Iowa



House File 183

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A PRESCRIBING PSYCHOLOGIST OR A  
PSYCHOLOGIST WITH A CONDITIONAL PRESCRIPTION CERTIFICATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 154B.1, subsections 3 and 5, Code 2023,  
are amended to read as follows:

3. "*Collaborative relationship*" means a cooperative  
working relationship between a prescribing psychologist or  
a psychologist with a conditional prescription certificate  
and a licensed physician in the provision of patient primary  
care provider as defined in section 280A.1 who oversees  
the patient's general medical care, including diagnosis and  
cooperation in the management and delivery of physical and  
mental health care.

5. *“Physician”* means a person licensed to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery in this state ~~who is board-certified~~ in family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics, psychiatry, or another specialty who prescribes medications for the treatment of a mental disorder to patients in the normal course of the person’s clinical medical practice pursuant to joint rules adopted by the board of psychology and the board of medicine.

Sec. 2. Section 154B.10, subsection 1, paragraphs d and e, Code 2023, are amended to read as follows:

~~d. Within five years immediately preceding the date of application, successfully~~ Successfully completed a postdoctoral master of science degree in clinical psychopharmacology approved by the board of psychology and the board of medicine pursuant to joint rules adopted by both boards. The program shall at a minimum include coursework in neuroscience, pharmacology, psychopharmacology, physiology, and appropriate and relevant physical and laboratory assessments.

~~e. Within five years immediately preceding the date of application, has~~ Has been certified by the applicant’s supervising physician as having successfully completed a supervised and relevant clinical experience in clinical assessment and pathophysiology and an additional supervised practicum treating patients with mental disorders. The practica shall have been supervised by a trained physician. The board of psychology and the board of medicine, pursuant to joint rules adopted by the boards, shall determine sufficient practica to competently train the applicant in the treatment of a diverse patient population.

Sec. 3. Section 154B.12, subsection 2, Code 2023, is amended to read as follows:

2. When prescribing psychotropic medication for a patient, the prescribing psychologist or the psychologist with a conditional prescription certificate shall maintain an ongoing collaborative relationship with the ~~licensed physician~~ primary care provider as defined in section 280A.1 who oversees the patient’s general medical care to ensure that necessary medical examinations are conducted, the psychotropic medication

is appropriate for the patient's medical condition, and significant changes in the patient's medical or psychological condition are discussed.

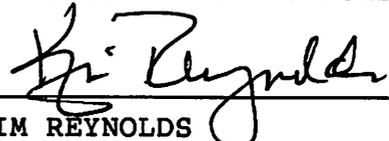
  
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PAT GRASSLEY  
Speaker of the House

  
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AMY SINCLAIR  
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 183, Ninetieth General Assembly.

  
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MEGHAN NELSON  
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved April 28, 2023

  
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KIM REYNOLDS  
Governor