ALABAMA BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COUNSELING

ACCEPTABLE CONTINUING EDUCATION

- 1. Acceptable professional development activities for continuing education must reflect provider documentation from one of the following: the National Board for Certified Counselors, Inc. (NBCC), or the Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification (CRCC) and <u>must be training in the professional field of counseling</u> as required by ABEC regulation 255-X-2-.18.
- 2. Activities not authorized by the agencies listed in the above item may be approved by the Board for individuals upon receipt of acceptable documentation <u>prior</u> to the activity. Minimally acceptable documentation must include an outline of the content of the pending event, qualifications of the presenters, and the clock hours for actual event. The Board will delegate authority to a member to review such requests and provide approval or denial of the request. The Board will communicate in writing to the individual the decision regarding prior approval of a professional development event. No approval of a continuing education activity will be provided by the Board after the event has occurred.
- 3. Activities or events may also be authorized for organizations or vendors that wish to secure "blanket preapproval" for all attendees. Organizations or vendors wishing to secure such "blanket approval" for a single event must submit the required ABEC application no less than sixty (60) days prior to the scheduled event for review and preapproval. If preapproved, the organization or vendor must advertise the event as approved by the ABEC using the language specified in the official preapproval letter.
- 4. Official written documentation from the agency or individual providing the approved activity (e.g., certificate, letter) or a letter of Board approval for activities is the only acceptable method for verifying continuing education activities.

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