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Subject: Nutritional Certification

Issue to Address: Request to add to the agenda the following:

1. WCA's CT/CRT/ Nutritional Certification course modification to an online format

In April 2020, the CSW submitted a request to DPS to investigate the validity of the WCA's actions of unilaterally changing their 4th nutritional certification module and the majority of their CT certification programs to an online format.

It is our understanding of the rules that all certification programs require **prior** Board approval. In all of the years prior to CoVid pandemic the Board had never granted an online format for any certificate program. It is important to note that even at their last meeting to discuss the CSW's request for an online format the board conducted discussions to verify that they could in fact grant approval for an online format for certification programs. The CSW properly applied for and receive Board approval for their new online CT/CRT certification courses.

Request:

The CSW requests that the Board review the multiple previous CSW requests for investigation of a potential violation of the rules by the WCA relating to significant changes to an online format that **may not have been provided in their original applications and thus not have prior Board approval to perform.**

2. Clarification of the online format for nutritional certification and CT/CRT certification

The CSW applied and received Board approval for the online format for their CT certification programs. Our question revolves around the options for “on-demand” and “webinar” type online formats. Both are considered “on-line.”

We are seeking clarity from the Board to know if the “on-demand” type online format which involves a pre-recorded seminar that can be viewed by the person seeking the certification at any time that is workable for the applicant. Once the course is completed the applicant would need to take a test to demonstrate they are competent in the information.

The Webinar format also has 2 options. One is totally live with the presenter answering questions in real time. Another format is the presentation is recorded and provided only on specific dates that the presenter attends at the end to answer any questions.

Request:

The CSW is seeking clarity on the Board’s approval for “on-line” formats. Does our current approval for “on-line” include either on-demand or live webinar?