

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS:**

**BOARD RULE CHAPTER 510-3 LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT,
RULE 510-3-.01 APPLICATION PROCESS: FORMS, FEES, AND DEADLINES**

**BOARD RULE CHAPTER 510-7 RENEWAL/REINSTATEMENT/INACTIVE
LICENSE, RULE 510-7-.01 RENEWAL**

**BOARD RULE CHAPTER 510-7 RENEWAL/REINSTATEMENT/INACTIVE
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**BOARD RULE CHAPTER 510-8 CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS,
RULE 510-8-.01 CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

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AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**RULE: 510-3-.01 Application Process: Forms, Fees, and Deadlines
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TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia State Board of Examiners of Psychologists (hereinafter "Board") proposes amendments to Rule 510-3-.01 Application Process: Forms, Fees, and Deadlines; Rule 510-7-.01 Renewal; Rule 510-7-.03 Inactive Status; Rule 510-8-.01 Continuing Education Requirements; Rule 510-8-.02 Types of Continuing Education; Rule 510-9-.01 Temporary License and Rule 510-9-.03 Permission for Limited Practice (herein after "proposed rules").

This notice, an exact copy of the proposed rules, and a synopsis of the proposed rules are being sent to all persons who have requested, in writing, to be included on a notification list. This notice, an exact copy of the proposed rules, and a synopsis of the proposed rules may

also be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. The documents will also be available for review on the Board's website at <https://sos.ga.gov/georgia-state-board-examiners-psychologists>. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Board office at (404) 424-9966.

The public will have an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule amendments at a public hearing to be held at **9:30 a.m., Friday, August 26, 2022** in the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. If the Board office remains closed due to the public health emergency (COVID-19), the hearing will be held via teleconference. Please see Board's website for information on how to join the meeting via teleconference.

Interested parties affected by the rules may submit written comments to the Board no later than close of business on **August 19, 2022**. Written comments must be legible, signed, contain contact information from the maker (address, telephone number, email address), and addressed to Gabriel Sterling, Interim Division Director, Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, Georgia State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. Written comments may be faxed to (866) 888-7127.

During the public hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, comment, or offer a viewpoint or argument, whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for the official record. Oral statements will be limited to five (5) minutes per person.

The Board voted to post this Notice of Intent at its meetings either on **March 25, 2022, April 22, 2022, or May 27, 2022**. The Board also voted that the formulation and adoption of this rule amendments does not impose an excessive regulatory cost on any licensee, and any cost to comply with the proposed rule amendment cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2; 43-1-4, 43-1-7; 43-1-10, 43-1-19; 43-1-22, 43-1-24; 43-1-25; 43-39-5; 43-39-6; 43-39-7, 43-39-8; 43-39-9, 43-39-10, 43-39-12, 43-39-13, 43-39-14, 43-39-15, 43-39-17 and 43-39-18.

Additionally, the Board voted that it was neither legal nor feasible in meeting the objectives O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2; 43-1-4, 43-1-7; 43-1-10, 43-1-19; 43-1-22, 43-1-24; 43-1-25; 43-39-5; 43-39-6; 43-39-7, 43-39-8; 43-39-9, 43-39-10, 43-39-12, 43-39-13, 43-39-14, 43-39-15, 43-39-17 and 43-39-18 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed in the field of psychology.

According to the Department of Law of the State of Georgia, the Georgia State Board of Examiners of Psychologists has the authority to adopt proposed Rules 510-3-.01, 510-7-.01, 510-7-.03, 510-8-.01, 510-8-.02, 510-9-.01 and 510-9-.03 pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2; 43-1-4, 43-1-7; 43-1-10, 43-1-19; 43-1-22, 43-1-24; 43-1-25; 43-39-5;

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For further information, contact the Board office at (844)-753-7825.

This notice is given in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.

This 30th day of June, 2022.



Gabriel Sterling
Interim Division Director
Professional Licensing Boards Division

Posted: 6/30/22

**SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE GEORGIA BOARD OF
EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS BOARD RULE CHAPTER 510-3 LICENSURE
BY ENDORSEMENT, RULE 510-3-.01 APPLICATION PROCESS: FORMS, FEES,
AND DEADLINES**

Purpose: The purpose of this rule amendment is to include the statutory provision of a fingerprint background check required of applicants and remove unnecessary prior language.

Rule 510-3-.01 Application Process: Forms, Fees, and Deadlines

(1) Licensure by endorsement refers to licensure for applicants who hold current licenses in psychology in other states and are applying for licensure in Georgia. To apply requires:

(a) Completed Application Initiation Form including all supporting documents and the fee made payable to the Georgia Board.

(b) Completed registration as required by the Board to cause the submission of a criminal background check as required by O.C.G.A. §§ 43-39-6 and 43-39-8(b)(6). The applicant shall be responsible for all fees associated with the performance of such background check.

~~(b c) Once registered with the Georgia Board, the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) will notify applicants to register for participation in their Psychology Licensure Universal System (PLUS) program application process. Instructions on the PLUS program titled "General Instructions for Application by Examination or Endorsement" may be found on the Board website on the Application/Forms Downloads webpage.~~

(2) The Board may in its discretion deny licensure to an applicant who has had disciplinary action taken against him or her by any licensing authority or professional organization, or whose record reflects any other matter that puts in question his or her competency to practice.

Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2; 43-1-7; 43-1-19; 43-1-24;43-1-25; 43-39-5; 43-39-6; 43-39-8; 43-39-10 and 43-39-13.

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**SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE GEORGIA BOARD OF
EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS BOARD RULE CHAPTER 510-7
RENEWAL/REINSTATEMENT/INACTIVE LICENSE, RULE 510-7-.01 RENEWAL**

Purpose: The purpose of this rule amendment is housekeeping in nature and revises the Board rule to be consistent with the Joint Secretary rules 295-2-.10 Licenses Expiring December 31 – Even Years.

Rule 510-7-.01 Renewal

Every psychology license will expire on December 31st of even numbered years; and will be renewable for two years if all requirements for renewal, including continuing education requirements are satisfied, and the renewal fee is paid. Psychologists practicing with an expired license are subject to disciplinary action by the Board. Licenses may be renewed within thirty-one (31) days after their expiration and are subject to a late renewal ~~penalty~~ fee in addition to the renewal fee. If the license is not renewed during the late renewal period, the license will be revoked by operation of law. Licensees ~~are NOT to~~ shall not practice after ~~December~~ January 31st of each ~~even~~ odd numbered year until the license has ~~been renewed~~ been reinstated and is in active status. See fee schedule and continuing education rule. ~~Failure to renew a license within thirty one (31) days of its expiration the license shall be considered lapsed. Reinstatement is at the sole discretion of the Board.~~

Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-4; 43-1-19; 43-1-25; 43-39-5; 43-39-6; 43-39-7; 43-39-12; 43-39-13 and 43-39-15.

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Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-4; 43-1-19; 43-1-25; 43-39-5; 43-39-6; 43-39-7; 43-39-12; 43-39-13 and 43-39-15.

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RENEWAL/REINSTATEMENT/INACTIVE LICENSE, RULE 510-7-.03 INACTIVE
STATUS**

Purpose: The purpose of this rule amendment is to revise the Boards current rule to require that for an inactive status license to be re-activated, the licensee must follow the reinstatement rule for lapsed or revoked licenses. The change streamlines and simplifies the reinstatement process for returning an inactive status license back to active, while assuring the protection of the public.

Rule 510-7-.03 Inactive Status

(1) A person must have a current Georgia psychology license to practice psychology in Georgia or to use the title "psychologist" in Georgia.

(a) A licensee who holds a current license, and who will not use the title "psychologist" in Georgia and will not practice psychology in Georgia, may apply for Inactive Status by completing an Application for Inactive Status and submitting the appropriate fee (see Fee Schedule) to the Board. A licensee may not use his or her license in the State of Georgia while that license is on Inactive Status.

(b) A licensee who wishes to reactivate an inactive license, ~~who has an active license in another state and who has been actively practicing psychology there within the past two years must submit to the Board an Application to Reactivate, documentation of 40 hours of continuing education activities, in accordance with the requirements for continuing education hours specified in Board rule 510-8, that were completed within two calendar years of the date the application is received by the Board, and appropriate fee. See Fee Schedule.~~ shall submit an application for reinstatement in accordance with Board Rule 510-7-.02.

(c) ~~For the Board to approve reactivation of the license of a psychologist who has not had an active license in another state and who has not been actively practicing psychology the licensee must also pass both the Georgia Jurisprudence and Oral Examinations in addition to the requirements set forth in (b) above.~~

Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19; 43-1-22; 43-1-25; 43-39-5; 43-39-13 and 43-39-15

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**SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE GEORGIA BOARD OF
EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS BOARD RULE CHAPTER 510-8
CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, RULE 510-8-.01 CONTINUING
EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

Purpose: The purpose of this rule amendment is housekeeping in nature and will allow more options for licensees to obtain their CE Hours required for renewals.

Rule 510-8-.01 Continuing Education Requirements

(1) A total of 40 credits of continuing education relevant to the licensee's professional activities are required biennially to renew a license. Six CE credits must be earned in professional ethics at a ~~personally-attended~~ workshop attended either in person or a synchronous webinar. The renewal period runs from January 1 of an odd numbered year to December 31 of the following even numbered year. Time counted shall be a clock hour for each hour's CE credit, ~~except in area III Conference/Conventions where one conference day is equal to one hour of CE credit~~. Each psychologist shall report biennially on the renewal application, under oath, the number of CE credits of continuing education he/she completed.

(2) Psychologists who are licensed by examination or by endorsement during the first year of the biennium (between January 1 and December 31 of the odd numbered year) must obtain 20 CE credits of continuing education, 3 CE credits of which must be in professional ethics.

(3) Psychologists who are licensed by examination or by endorsement during the second year of the biennium (between January 1 and December 31 of the even numbered year) will not be required to complete any continuing education credits to renew the license for the first time.

(4) Psychologists with disabilities may petition the Board for accommodations that facilitate their satisfaction of these requirements. The request for an accommodation by an individual with a disability must be made in writing and received in the Board office by at least 2 months prior to the end of the renewal period along with the appropriate documentation, as indicated in the Request for Disability Guidelines.

Authority: O.C.G.A. § 43-39-15

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Authority: O.C.G.A. § 43-39-15

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EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS BOARD RULE CHAPTER 510-8
CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, RULE 510-8-.02 TYPES OF
CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Purpose: The purpose of this rule amendment is housekeeping in nature. Definitions are being added to clarify and allow for the various types of new continuing education now mainstream and available to all.

Rule 510-8-.02 Types of Continuing Education

(1) “in-person” means being present in the same physical room (as opposed to a virtual space).

(2) “face-to-face” means either in-person or a synchronous activity (not asynchronous activity).

(3) “synchronous” activities mean live online interactive video conferences in real time.

(4) “asynchronous activities” mean online courses or recordings of previously held programs that one can access on one's own schedule.

(~~4~~ 5) Successful completion of the board examination of the American Board of Professional Psychology will satisfy all continuing education requirements in the biennium during which the examination is passed. Documentation from ABPP must be submitted to the Board.

(~~2~~ 6) Professional Ethics. A licensed psychologist ~~must~~ shall complete a minimum of 6 CE credits in professional ethics ~~at a personally-attended workshop either at an in-person workshop or at a synchronous webinar~~ to renew his/her license each biennium. These credits may be earned through Areas I or ~~IV~~ III. The content of the ethics CE requirement must be related to ethical, legal, statutory, or regulatory policies, guidelines, and/or standards that impact psychology and must be postdoctoral in nature. A psychologist who serves as a peer reviewer for the Board for an alleged violation of the laws or rules will earn 3 ethics CE credits for the current biennium if the completion of the review is acknowledged by the Board and if the review is submitted as a written report to the Board. A psychologist who serves on a subcommittee of the Board for oral examinations will be awarded 3 ethics CE credits for each day of service up to a maximum of 6 CE credits per biennium. A psychologist who serves as a member of the Ethics committee for the Georgia Psychological Association or as a Board member of the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists for the entire biennium will receive 6 ethics credits. If a psychologist serves as a member of the Georgia Psychological Association Ethics Committee or the Georgia State Board of Psychologists for half of the biennium, 3 ethics credits will be awarded; for service six months or less, 1 ethics credit will be awarded. The delivery method of the continuing education shall be in person or synchronous. ~~by the presenter and the attendance of the psychologist at the continuing education event must be in person.~~

(3 7) Continuing Education credits may be met through the following areas. Each area states the minimum (if applicable) and maximum number of credits allowed as well as the required documentation. All credits in areas I (1, 2), II, and III, ~~and IV must be in person.~~ may be obtained through in-person, face-to-face, synchronous, or asynchronous methods as defined in 510-8-.02(1-4) above ~~The delivery method of the continuing education by the presenter and the attendance of the psychologists at the continuing education event must be in person.~~ or as defined in the specific area description.

(a) **Area I- Academic.** This area includes three academic activities: Academic Courses, Instruction, and Publications. A maximum of 20 CE credits per biennium may be earned through Area I.

1. Academic courses refers to taking, for credit, and passing a graduate-level course related to psychology from a regionally accredited university. A maximum of 20 CE credits per biennium is allowed for this activity. Required documentation is a graduate transcript showing the course taken and passing grade.

2. Instruction refers to teaching, for the first time, a semester long (or equivalent) graduate or undergraduate course related to psychology in a regionally accredited institution. This activity counts for a maximum of 10 CE credits per course with a maximum of 20 CE credits per biennium. Instruction also refers to presenting for the first time, a day-long (6 credit hour) approved sponsor workshop or half-day long (3 credit hour) approved sponsor workshop that relates to the practice of psychology. For first time presented sponsor approved workshops, each hour of presentation counts for one hour of CE credit. A maximum of 12 CE credits each biennium is allowed for two 6 hour workshops and a maximum of 6 CE credits each biennium is allowed for two 3 hour workshops. Approved sponsors are identified in Area IV below. Both of these instructional activities (teaching a course or presenting a workshop) will count only when the course or presentation is conducted for the first time. Required documentation is both a copy of the presentation announcement, course catalog noting the course taught and instructor, or registration materials indicating the presentation; and an attestation from the psychologist stating that the course or workshop is being presented for the first time.

3. Publications refers to first or second authoring of articles published in peer reviewed journals, books or book chapters, or editing or co-editing of a book or peer-reviewed journal related to the profession of psychology. A maximum of 5 CE credits per article for a total of 10 CE credits per biennium is allowed for publications. Required documentation is a copy of the journal abstract, book table of contents, or book or journal editor page inclusive of the author's name.

(b) **Area II-Ongoing Peer-Group Consultation.** This area includes research groups, journal clubs, and individual and group case consultation that ~~has~~ have a structured,

organized format, that meets regularly either in-person or synchronously, and focuses on psychological activities related to one's practice. See Board Rule 510-4-.02(4)(g)4.07. A group shall consist of a minimum of three (3) psychologists and up to a maximum eight (8) licensed participants. The group leader shall be a psychologist, with an unencumbered license to practice psychology in Georgia, and is included as one of the required minimum three (3) psychologists. If one gets credit from this area, one must have a minimum of 10 CE credits from this area and a maximum of 20 CE credits from this area, with one hour of ~~peer group~~ consultation equal to one credit. This means that any ~~peer-group~~ consultation activity must have at least a minimum of ten one-hour sessions in length. However, one can only count a maximum of 20 one-hour sessions for credit under this area. Required documentation is a contemporaneous log with a list of dates attended, topics discussed, location, identification of participants, and number of hours. The log must be attested to and notarized by the individual psychologist who is designated as the leader of the ~~peer group~~ consultation group.

~~(e) Area III Conference/Convention. This area refers to attending professional conferences/conventions related to psychology. A maximum of 5 CE credits per biennium is allowed in this area with one conference day being equal to one hour of CE credit. These credits are for activities at conventions and conferences such as luncheons or psychology related business meetings or gatherings for which the attendee does not earn approved sponsor continuing education credits under Area IV. For example, in one conference day there are two ways to earn 7 CE credits. One could earn 7 CE Credits by attending one 6 hour Area IV Approved Sponsor CE and adding 1 conference day CE Credit for attending other activities such as a business lunch or meeting, or evening activity. One could also earn 7 CE Credits by attending two 3 hour Area IV Approved Sponsor CE activities and adding 1 conference day CE Credit for attending other activities such as a business lunch or meeting, or an evening activity. One could earn 4 CE Credits in one conference day by attending one 3 hour Area IV Approved Sponsor CE Activity and adding 1 conference day CE Credit for attending other activities such as a business lunch or meeting, or an evening activity. Also, one could earn only 1 CE Credit in one conference day by only attending other activities such as a business lunch or meeting, or an evening activity. Required documentation is a copy of the conference/convention registration materials.~~

~~(d-c)~~ **Area IV III Approved Sponsored Continuing Education.** This area refers to participation in any activity provided by approved sponsor organizations described below. A maximum of 40 CE credits per biennium is allowed in this area with one hour of activity being equal to 1CE credit. Required documentation is an official certificate of attendance/participation issued by the CE presenter/sponsoring organization and includes date, title, location, and hours. The delivery method of the continuing education by the presenter and the attendance of the psychologist at the continuing education event ~~must~~ may be in person, synchronous, or asynchronous.

Approved sponsors of continuing education may include State Psychological Associations, the American Psychological Association or any of its approved sponsors approved through the American Psychological Association Sponsor Approval System (APA Standards and Criteria for Approval of Sponsors of Continuing Education for Psychologists, 2005), the Canadian Psychological Association Approval of Sponsor of Continuing Education for Canadian Psychologists (CPA, 2005), the Academies of the Specialty Boards of the American Board of Professional Psychology, Association for Psychological Science, National Association of School Psychologists, regionally accredited educational institutions that offer graduate training in psychology or related fields, Federal and State Government entities providing training at the post-doctoral level by licensed psychologists. Category I Continuing Medical Education (CME) of the American Medical Association, the Canadian Medical Association, American Bar Association, and the Canadian Bar Association, if relevant to the practice of psychology.

~~(e) Area V Self Instructional Activity. This is a broadly defined area intended to accommodate any self-development activities, which are relevant to one's professional interests. A maximum of 16 total CE hours per biennium are allowed CE's allowed in this area may be in this area earned from the following categories:~~

~~1. This area includes use of audiotapes audio recordings, videotapes, video recordings, books, and journals and online CE offerings. Each hour of self-instructional activity qualifies for 1 CE credit. A maximum of 10 CE credits are allowed for the aforementioned activities. Required documentation is an affidavit which contains a description of the activity, the subject material covered, the dates, the number of hours involved, or a CE certificate from an online offering.~~

~~2. A maximum of 6 hours of credit is allowed for interactive online CE in real time. Interactive CE is defined as an activity in which the participant interacts with a live person who is the instructor, and may also interact with other participants through a computer either through audio or audio/visual channels, in real time. Real time is defined as an activity in which both the instructor and the participant are on the computer at the same time. Any interactive CE hour over 6 hours may be counted under section (e) above.~~

~~(f) On Line Continuing Education. Online instruction qualifies as CE credit only as described under Area V.~~

Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-25 and 43-39-15

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(5) Successful completion of the board examination of the American Board of Professional Psychology will satisfy all continuing education requirements in the biennium during which the examination is passed. Documentation from ABPP must be submitted to the Board.

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(7) Continuing Education credits may be met through the following areas. Each area states the minimum (if applicable) and maximum number of credits allowed as well as the required documentation. All credits in areas I (1, 2), II III may be obtained through in-person, face-to-face, synchronous, or asynchronous methods as defined in 510-8-.02(1-4) above or as defined in the specific area description.

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1. Academic courses refers to taking, for credit, and passing a graduate-level course related to psychology from a regionally accredited university. A maximum of 20 CE credits per biennium is allowed for this activity. Required documentation is a graduate transcript showing the course taken and passing grade.

2. Instruction refers to teaching, for the first time, a semester long (or equivalent) graduate or undergraduate course related to psychology in a regionally accredited institution. This activity counts for a maximum of 10 CE credits per course with a maximum of 20 CE credits per biennium. Instruction also refers to presenting for the first time, a day-long (6 credit hour) approved sponsor workshop or half-day long (3 credit hour) approved sponsor workshop that relates to the practice of psychology. For first time presented sponsor approved workshops, each hour of presentation counts for one hour of CE credit. A maximum of 12 CE credits each biennium is allowed for two 6-hour workshops and a maximum of 6 CE credits each biennium is allowed for two 3-hour workshops. Approved sponsors are identified in Area IV below. Both of these instructional activities (teaching a course or presenting a workshop) will count only when the course or presentation is conducted for the first time. Required documentation is both a copy of the presentation announcement, course catalog noting the course taught and instructor, or registration materials indicating the presentation; and an attestation from the psychologist stating that the course or workshop is being presented for the first time.

3. Publications refers to first or second authoring of articles published in peer reviewed journals, books or book chapters, or editing or co-editing of a book or peer-reviewed journal related to the profession of psychology. A maximum of 5 CE credits per article for a total of 10 CE credits per biennium is allowed for publications. Required documentation is a copy of the journal abstract, book table of contents, or book or journal editor page inclusive of the author's name.

(b) **Area II -Ongoing Group Consultation.** This area includes research groups, journal clubs, and individual and group case consultation that have a structured, organized format, that meets regularly either in-person or synchronously, and focuses on psychological activities related to one's practice. See Board Rule 510-4-

.02(4)(g)4.07. A group shall consist of a minimum of three (3) psychologists and up to a maximum eight (8) licensed participants. The group leader shall be a psychologist, with an unencumbered license to practice psychology in Georgia, and is included as one of the required minimum three (3) psychologists. If one gets credit from this area, one must have a minimum of 10 CE credits from this area and a maximum of 20 CE credits from this area, with one hour of group consultation equal to one credit. This means that any group consultation activity must have at least a minimum of ten one-hour sessions in length. However, one can only count a maximum of 20 one-hour sessions for credit under this area. Required documentation is a contemporaneous log with a list of dates attended, topics discussed, location, identification of participants, and number of hours. The log must be attested to and notarized by the psychologist who is designated as the leader of the group consultation.

(c) **Area III - Approved Sponsored Continuing Education.** This area refers to participation in any activity provided by approved sponsor organizations described below. A maximum of 40 CE credits per biennium is allowed in this area with one hour of activity being equal to 1CE credit. Required documentation is an official certificate of attendance/participation issued by the CE presenter/sponsoring organization and includes date, title, location, and hours. The delivery method of the continuing education by the presenter and the attendance of the psychologist at the continuing education event may be in person, synchronous, or asynchronous.

Approved sponsors of continuing education may include State Psychological Associations, the American Psychological Association or any of its approved sponsors approved through the American Psychological Association Sponsor Approval System (APA Standards and Criteria for Approval of Sponsors of Continuing Education for Psychologists, 2005), the Canadian Psychological Association Approval of Sponsor of Continuing Education for Canadian Psychologists (CPA, 2005), the Academies of the Specialty Boards of the American Board of Professional Psychology, Association for Psychological Science, National Association of School Psychologists, regionally accredited educational institutions that offer graduate training in psychology or related fields, Federal and State Government entities providing training at the post-doctoral level by licensed psychologists. Category I Continuing Medical Education (CME) of the American Medical Association, the Canadian Medical Association, American Bar Association, and the Canadian Bar Association, if relevant to the practice of psychology.

Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-25 and 43-39-15

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EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS BOARD RULE CHAPTER 510-9 LICENSES
OF LIMITED DURATION, RULE 510-9-.01 TEMPORARY LICENSE**

Purpose: The purpose of this rule amendment is housekeeping in nature and brings the rule numbering system compliant with rule 590-2-1-.02.

Rule 510-9-.01 Temporary License

(1) A temporary license is available only to applicants for licensure by endorsement. See Chapter entitled "Licensure by Endorsement."

(2 a) The applicant for a temporary license must submit a written request for a temporary license along with their application for licensure by endorsement and the appropriate fee. See Fee Schedule.

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(4 c) The Temporary License will be in effect for a maximum of 12 months. To continue to practice psychology in Georgia beyond that year, the holder must have obtained a license to practice psychology by endorsement.

Authority: O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2; 43-1-7; 43-1-19; 43-1-25; 43-39-5; 43-39-6; 43-39-8; 43-39-9; 43-39-10; 43-39-13 and 43-39-14

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Rule 510-9-.03 Permission for Limited Practice

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