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Richard Whitley, MS
Director

November 2, 2022

Director Richard Whitley, MS
State of Nevada
Department of Health and Human Services
400 West King St, Suite 300
Carson City, NV, 89703

Dear Director Whitley:

On behalf of the Home Care Employment Standards Board (HCESB) created by Senate Bill (SB) 340, it has been recommended that the Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance (HCQC) work on specific standards for the home care industry related to the required cultural competency training. Members of the Board have asserted on the fact that home care workers tend to be of a marginalized demographic, the training should incorporate coping skills and how to address situations they may encounter while caring for a client, as it would be better for caregivers to get training that is directed towards their experiences.

The motion calling for this recommendation passed by the Board during the October 25, 2022, HCESB meeting and fulfills Sections 16.2(d) of SB 340:

The adequacy and enforcement of training requirements for home care employees.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cody K. Phinney".

Cody Phinney
Chair of the Home Care Employment Standards Board
Deputy Administrator
Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public and Behavioral Health