

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1721

By: Brooks

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to long-term care; requiring certain curricula and standards to include specified subjects; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1951.2 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The curricula and standards for nurse aide training and competency programs established by the State Department of Health under Section 1-1951 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall include subjects designed to improve the quality of care of residents and prevent abuse, neglect, and exploitation of residents including, but not limited to:

1. Pursuant to paragraph 3 of subsection A of Section 1-1951 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes, a minimum of ten (10) hours of training in the care of Alzheimer's patients;

2. Ethics and ethical conduct;

1 3. Social media behavior and privacy;

2 4. Trauma-informed care;

3 5. Basic legal statuses of residents or patients including but
4 not limited to guardianship, power of attorney, advance directive,
5 and living will;

6 6. Understanding basic cultural competency and religious
7 preferences;

8 7. Resident sexuality in care settings;

9 8. Understanding state rules and regulations for reportable
10 incidents to the Department and the nurse aide registry;

11 9. Personal liability; and

12 10. Professional soft skills including time management,
13 problem-solving, teamwork, stress management, decision-making,
14 critical thinking, conflict management, receiving criticism,
15 adaptability, and professionalism.

16 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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