

An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1620

By: Munson of the House

and

Standridge of the Senate

An Act relating to public health; directing State Board of Health to promulgate rules requiring certain dementia training; providing contents of curricula; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Dementia care training

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 1-1991 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The State Board of Health shall promulgate rules that require all medical and direct care staff of nursing and specialized facilities, adult day care centers, assisted living centers and home health agencies licensed by the State Department of Health to complete, at a minimum, one (1) hour of in-service training per year in Alzheimer's- and dementia-related care.

B. The curricula for the training shall include, but not be limited to, learning ways to decode behavior messages, identifying common behavioral triggers and determining the types of positive communication that can take place between persons with Alzheimer's disease and professional caregivers.

C. The Board shall also promulgate rules establishing appropriate training requirements for support staff working in the facilities listed in subsection A of this section who do not provide direct care for patients.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

Passed the House of Representatives the 4th day of May, 2017.

M. David Wright
Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 18th day of April, 2017.

Edulis Finley
Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this 8th

day of May, 20 17, at 4:05 o'clock P M.

By: Audrey Ledwell

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this 12th

day of May, 20 17, at 3:15 o'clock P M.

Mary Fallin
Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 12th

day of May, 20 17, at 4:29 o'clock P M.

By: Dan Claitor