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NEW LAW REQUIRES DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TRAINING FOR SELECT COSMETOLOGY ACT LICENSEES

Effective January 1, 2017, a new law requires a one-hour, one-time Continuing Education (CE) course on Domestic Violence for all cosmetologists, cosmetology teachers, estheticians, esthetic teachers, hair braiders, hair braiding teachers, nail technicians, and nail technology teachers.

PLEASE NOTE: the CE requirement of this new law will NOT be effective until after January 1, 2019. The CE requirement of this law will not be effective for the September 2018 licensure renewals for cosmetology teachers and esthetic teachers, and for the October 2018 licensure renewals for nail technicians, nail technology teachers, hair braiders and hair braiding teachers but will be effective for all 2020 renewals.

The Domestic Violence CE requirement will be in effect for the September 2019 licensure renewals for cosmetologists and estheticians.

Once course providers for the Domestic Violence CE are approved, the Department will post on this website a list of approved providers. **This new requirement must be completed in order for a license to be renewed.** This new requirement impacts 84,000 licensees so it is in your best interest to complete this course well in advance of renewal time. If you wait too long, you may not be able to get into a class and your license will expire.

If you completed the Domestic Violence course at America's Beauty Show in Chicago in the spring of 2016, 2017 or 2018 you are in compliance and do not have to take the course again.