

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Department of Professional Regulation Law
5 of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by
6 adding Section 2105-365 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 2105/2105-365 new)

8 Sec. 2105-365. Continuing education; Alzheimer's disease
9 and other dementias.

10 (a) As used in this Section, "health care professional"
11 means a person licensed or registered by the Department under
12 the following Acts: the Medical Practice Act of 1987, the
13 Nurse Practice Act, the Clinical Psychologist Licensing Act,
14 the Illinois Optometric Practice Act of 1987, the Illinois
15 Physical Therapy Act, the Physician Assistant Practice Act of
16 1987, the Clinical Social Work and Social Work Practice Act,
17 the Nursing Home Administrators Licensing and Disciplinary
18 Act, the Illinois Occupational Therapy Practice Act, the
19 Podiatric Medical Practice Act of 1987, the Respiratory Care
20 Practice Act, the Professional Counselor and Clinical
21 Professional Counselor Licensing and Practice Act, and the
22 Illinois Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Practice Act.

23 (b) For license or registration renewals occurring on or

1 after January 1, 2023, a health care professional who has
2 continuing education requirements must complete at least a
3 one-hour course in training on the diagnosis, treatment, and
4 care of individuals with Alzheimer's disease and other
5 dementias per renewal period. This training shall include, but
6 not be limited to, assessment and diagnosis, effective
7 communication strategies, and management and care planning.
8 This requirement shall only apply to health care professionals
9 who provide health care services to, and have direct patient
10 interactions with, adult populations age 26 or older in the
11 practice of their profession. A health care professional may
12 count this one hour for completion of this course toward
13 meeting the minimum credit hours required for continuing
14 education. Any training on Alzheimer's disease and other
15 dementias applied to meet any other State licensure
16 requirement, professional accreditation or certification
17 requirement, or health care institutional practice agreement
18 may count toward the continuing education requirement under
19 this Section.

20 (c) The Department may adopt rules for the implementation
21 of this Section.

22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
23 becoming law.