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1 AN ACT Relating to education in the recognition of symptoms of drug
2 and alcohol dependency in patients; amending RCW 74.14B.010; and adding
3 a new section to chapter 18.130 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 18.130 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The disciplinary authority shall provide a program in continuing
8 education in the recognition of symptoms of drug and alcohol dependency
9 in patients in clinical settings, in accordance with uniform recognized
10 standards developed in consultation with the secretary and the
11 department of social and health services.

12 **Sec. 2.** RCW 74.14B.010 and 1987 c 503 s 8 are each amended to read
13 as follows:

14 Caseworkers employed in children services shall meet minimum
15 standards established by the department of social and health services.
16 Comprehensive training for caseworkers shall be completed before such
17 caseworkers are assigned to case-carrying responsibilities without
18 direct supervision. The comprehensive training must include the

1 recognition of symptoms of drug and alcohol dependency in patients in
2 clinical settings in accordance with recognized standards.
3 Intermittent, part-time, and standby workers shall be subject to the
4 same minimum standards and training.

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