Statement Regarding P.A. 103-0851

Attention:

Acupuncturists, Athletic Trainers, Massage Therapists, Naprapaths, Barbers, Barber Teachers, Cosmetologists, Cosmetology Teachers, Estheticians, Esthetics Teachers, Nail Technicians, Nail Technology Teachers, Hair Braiders, Hair Braiding Teachers, and Electrologists

Pursuant to P.A. 103-0851, the Melanoma Education Law, licensees regulated under the Acupuncture Practice Act, the Illinois Athletic Trainers Practice Act, the Massage Licensing Act, Naprapathic Practice Act, the Barber, Cosmetology, Esthetics, Hair Braiding, and Nail Technology Act of 1985, and the Electrologist Licensing Act are required to provide proof of completion of a course approved by the Department regarding abnormal skin growth education, including training on identifying melanoma. The training must be completed by:

1. Applicants who submit an application for original licensure on or after January 1,2026
2. Applicants who were licensed before January 1, 2026, when submitting the applicant's first application for renewal or restoration of a license on or after January 1, 2026.

The Department is promulgating rules regarding approving this training and providers of the training. Until those rules are in effect, the Department approves the program "Skinny on Skin" by Impact Melanoma, Inc., as an online course that fulfills the abnormal skin growth education requirement to be completed by new applicants for original licensure and all renewal and restoration applicants.

This program can be completed on Impact Melanoma's website: https://impactmelanoma.org/skinny-on-skin/. A certificate of completion is provided at the end of the program, that certificate should be provided to the Department with the licensee's application.

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