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H.B. No. 297

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to inservice training on prevention of abuse, neglect, and
3 illegal, unprofessional, and unethical conduct provided by certain
4 health care facilities.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 161.133(a), Health and Safety Code, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 (a) The executive commissioner by rule shall require each
9 inpatient mental health facility, treatment facility, or hospital
10 that provides comprehensive medical rehabilitation services to
11 annually provide as a condition of continued licensure a minimum of
12 four [~~eight~~] hours of inservice training designed to assist
13 employees and health care professionals associated with the
14 facility in identifying patient abuse or neglect and illegal,
15 unprofessional, or unethical conduct by or in the facility.

16 SECTION 2. Section 161.133(a), Health and Safety Code, as
17 amended by this Act, applies only to the minimum number of inservice
18 training hours provided as a condition of continued licensure by
19 certain health care facilities subject to that section on and after
20 the effective date of this Act. The minimum number of inservice
21 training hours provided before the effective date of this Act is
22 governed by the law in effect immediately before the effective date
23 of this Act, and the former law is continued in effect for that
24 purpose.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.