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Dear Registrant:

The NSBEP Continuing Competence Program came into effect on January 1, 2012. At that time, the Board indicated that the Continuing Competence Program would be reviewed regularly and that changes would be introduced based on feedback from registrants and as our knowledge of assessing competence increased.

During the past year the Board solicited feedback from registrants regarding the list of continuing competence activities and the credits assigned to each activity. The Board reviewed this feedback in October 2016. The Board decided to continue with the current list of continuing competence activities but to increase the number of credits assigned to a number of the activities. These new credit values will come into effect on January 1, 2017. Please see the revised table of Continuing Competence Activities and Credit Values via the <u>Competence section of the NSBEP website</u>.

Like last year, registrants are encouraged to complete Form 2 early in the year. Registrants are asked to identify broad learning objectives for the Core Competencies for the coming year. Form 2 can then be used to list Continuing Competence Activities and claim credits, as these occur during the year. Form 2 is available on the <u>Continuing Competence section of the website</u>.

An audit of psychologists for compliance with the program requirements in 2016 will occur in early 2017. This audit will be conducted using the new credit values approved by the Board in October 2016.

Ten percent of psychologists on the Register of Psychologists will be randomly selected to participate in the audit. Those selected for the audit will be notified by both email and by regular mail. If you are selected for an audit, you will be required to submit your Continuing Competence Program records within 20 working days of receiving the request. You simply need to submit your completed Form 2, accompanied by the required documentation for the Activities in which you are claiming credit (see the <u>example submission</u> of Form 2 plus a description of documentation requirements).

Sincerely,