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SUBJECT: Succession of Officers	POLICY # B-05-1	DATE ADOPTED: February 17, 2005
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DISTRIBUTE TO: All Board Members	APPROVED BY:	BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

The Board of Behavioral Sciences takes its mandate to protect the public with the utmost seriousness. Each member recognizes it is a privilege and an honor to serve as a member of the Board of Behavioral Sciences. It is the policy of the Board to adopt a policy that clearly states the appropriate succession of officers.

SUCCESSION OF OFFICERS:

If for any reason the Chairperson of the Board is unable to continue in his/her role as Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson shall immediately assume the duties of Chairperson until the next election of officers.

Nominations to fill the position of Vice-Chairperson may be made and voted on at the next scheduled Board Meeting.

BACKGROUND: Business and Professions Code Section 4990.6 states “Not later than the first of March of each calendar year, the board shall elect a chairperson and a vice chairperson from its membership.” The law does not address a sudden or unexpected departure of the Chairperson and the Board requested a policy be in place to address the situation.

IMPLEMENTATION: Effective Immediately