

## Law & Ethics





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## Instructor Information:

Linda Garrett is a risk manager and has practiced as a medical malpractice defense attorney for a law firm in San Francisco, California. She is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley and University of California Hastings College of the Law. Ms. Garrett has been providing risk management services to healthcare facilities and providers for over 25 years. Andrew Garrett is an active licensed lawyer and a

risk management consultant. He is a graduate of the University of California, Hastings College of the Law and has professional experiences in

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## Date: Thursday, September 23, 2021

## Time: 9:00am – 4:30pm

Location: Virtual training- link will be sent to registrants

#### RUHS-BH Staff - Please register for this course via COR at <u>http://corlearning.rc-hr.com</u> All other interested partners, please visit <u>www.rcdmh.org/wet</u>

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Andrew Garret is an attorney who works directly with healthcare providers, helping them to navigate the laws of their profession. He concentrates on medical confidentiality, behavioral healthcare, correctional healthcare, minors' access to healthcare, and mandated reporting. He is perhaps most well-known for his extensive knowledge of 42 CFR Part 2, a federal regulation that gives heightened privacy protections to many substance use disorder records.

- Audience: RUHS-BH Clinical Therapists and other treatment staff. LMFTs, LCSWs, LPCCs, associate-level and support staff providing client care in the public behavioral health system.
  Level of presentation: Intermediate applicable to participants with working knowledge of the topic.
- **Seat #**: 100
- **Location**: Virtual training- link will be sent to registrants

If you need a reasonable accommodation/alternative format for this training event, please contact the Rustin Conference Center (951) 955-7270 at least fourteen days (14) prior to the course date.

### **Educational Goals:**

- 1. Increase professional growth and understanding of how laws impact policies and procedures.
- 2. Update knowledge base on privacy laws and requirements.
- 3. Improve understanding of roles, ethics and relationships with our patients and how social media has blurred our professional life and personal life.

### Learning Objectives:

- 1. Participants will be able to identify two (2) impacts that COVID-19 has had on telemedicine rules and how telemedicine has changed in its use and application during the declared state of emergency.
- 2. Participants will be able to identify two (2) changes to licensing laws for licensees of the Board of Behavioral Sciences.
- 3. Participants will be able to describe new laws regarding the certification of peer counselors and parity in the provision of coverage for mental health treatment.
- 4. Participants will be able state two (2) confidentiality protections applicable to patient and employee COVID-19 test results.
- 5. Participants will be able to name three (3) proposed changes to the HIPAA regulations that appeared in the January 21, 2021 NPRM;
- 6. Participants will be able to state two (2) ways consent release of SUD information have changed under the new Part 2 regulations.
- 7. Participants will be able to explain two (2) standards of care applicable when patients receive services utilizing telehealth technology.
- 8. Participants will be able to determine the time frames that must be met when a patient requests his or her own chart, and how much can be charged to that patient in order to provide a copy of the chart.

#### Course outline:

9:00am -10:30am	New laws, COVID-19, HIPAA NPRM
10:30am -10:45am	Break NON-CE
10:45am -12:00pm	42 CFR Part 2 Update; Telehealth
12:00pm -1:00pm	Lunch
1:00 pm - 2:30pm	Minors and the Law
2:30 pm - 2:45pm	Break NON-CE
2:45 pm - 3:30pm	Access to Records – laws and caselaw
3:30 pm - 4:30pm	Ethics, professionalism, social media

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**Continuing Education:** Course meets the qualifications for **(6)** hours of continuing education credit for LMFTs, LCSWs, LPCCs, and/or LEPs as required by the California Board of Behavioral Sciences. Riverside University Health System-Behavioral Health is approved by the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists to sponsor continuing education for LMFTs, LCSWs, LPCCs and/or LEPs. Riverside University Health System-Behavioral Health maintains responsibility for this program/course and its content.

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Provider approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider # CEP17400 for (6) Contact Hours.

Provider approved by CCAPP-EI, Provider Number 1N-98-402-2021 for (6) CEH'S.

Mailing address: Riverside University Health System-Behavioral Health (RUHS-BH), Workforce Education and Training (WET), 2085 Rustin Ave., Riverside, CA 92507.

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<u>Attendance Policy</u>: Participants who arrive to the course after the scheduled start time may not be admitted. To receive continuing education credit for a course, participants must attend the entire scheduled time. Participants who arrive late, leave early or return late from lunch/breaks will not receive continuing education credit. To receive credit, participants cannot miss more than 15 minutes total of instruction. There is no partial credit issued.

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