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Effective January 1, 2017, a new law requires a one-hour, one-time Continuing Education (CE) course on Domestic Violence for all cosmetologists, cosmetology teachers, estheticians, esthetic teachers, hair braiders, hair braiding teachers, nail technicians, and nail technology teachers. This CE requirement was effective January 1, 2019.

The Domestic Violence CE requirement will be in effect for the September 2019 licensure renewals for cosmetologists and estheticians. This new requirement must be completed in order for a license to be renewed. This new requirement impacts 84,000 licensees so it is in your best interest to complete this course well in advance of renewal time. If you wait too long, you may not be able to get into a class and your license will expire.

If you completed the Domestic Violence course at America's Beauty Show in Chicago in the spring of 2016, 2017 or 2018 you are in compliance and do not have to take the course again.

Other than the courses mentioned above, to be valid the Domestic Violence course must be offered by an entity or individual that hold a Domestic Violence CE Sponsor License (licensure prefix #290). A list of the approved sponsors is available on the Department's website.