

Board Policies

Code of Conduct Policy

It is the policy of the Region 3 Behavioral Health Board that all board members will abide by the board code of conduct.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this policy is to assure all board members observe the code of conduct and thus protect the public served.

PROCEDURE: All board members shall be provided a copy of the Code of Conduct to read, sign, and return for board files.

If a fellow board member or member of the public has substantiated reason to believe a board member has, in his or her actions, violated the code of conduct, the following process is in place:

Questions of conduct are to be sent in writing to the chair of the board. The chair will convene the executive committee to review the conduct question. The committee will investigate the situation, hearing from all parties involved. The process will include an opportunity for the member in question to provide information.

The proceedings of the conduct committee are to be held in private. If no cause is found, the issue will be dismissed and no further action taken.

If, after investigation, substantiated cause is found that a violation of the code of conduct occurred, the executive committee shall make a recommendation to the full board regarding termination of a board member's term. The recommendation shall be taken up at the next scheduled meeting of the board.

In the event that the member in question is the chair, the vice chair will receive the questions and the chair will be excluded from participating in the executive review and recommendations. In the event the member in question is an executive committee member other than the chair, that member shall not be allowed to participate in the review and recommendations of the committee. If the vote is tied, it doesn't receive a majority vote, therefore it is lost.

Date of Adoption: _____