

SECTION 17. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-245-233, amend (1), (2), and (4) as follows:

12-245-233. Auricular acudetox by professionals - training - definition. (1) A ~~mental health care~~ professional who has provided documentation that he or she has been trained to perform auricular acudetox in accordance with subsection (4) of this section may perform auricular acudetox if the auricular acudetox is performed under the ~~mental health care~~ professional's current scope of practice. ~~and the mental health professional is:~~

~~(a) Licensed pursuant to this article 245;~~

~~(b) Certified as a level III addiction counselor pursuant to part 8 of this article 245; or~~

~~(c) Registered as a psychotherapist pursuant to part 7 of this article 245.~~

(2) A ~~mental health care~~ professional performing auricular acudetox pursuant to subsection (1) of this section shall not use the title "acupuncturist" or otherwise claim to be a person qualified to perform acupuncture beyond the scope of this section.

(4) In order to perform auricular acudetox pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, a ~~mental health care~~ professional must successfully complete a training program in auricular acudetox for the treatment of substance use disorders that meets or exceeds standards of training established by the National Acupuncture Detoxification Association or another organization approved by the director.