

IMPORTANT REGULATION UPDATE:

The New York Department of Financial Services (NY DFS) has an amended New York Insurance Regulation 187 (Reg 187), known as the "Suitability and Best Interests in Life Insurance and Annuity Transactions". This regulation imposes new standards on insurance carriers and producers requiring a best interest standard for selling annuity and life insurance products in New York.

- 1. Commencing August 1st, 2019, annuity carriers will require training on Reg 187. All carriers will require a Reg 187 training certification prior to solicitation of new annuity business and/or contributions to existing annuity contracts. Carriers are also updating their cross-border sales exemptions for New York resident applicants that signed applications outside of New York (please consult individual carrier guidelines).
- 2. There are carrier specific requirements and interpretations for Reg 187. Please contact the annuity carriers that you conduct business with in New York State to ascertain what requirements they require for compliance with this regulation. You must complete a Reg 187 best interest training in order to submit New York business after the regulation (8/1/19) goes into effect.
- 3. Contact the carrier before soliciting new annuity business to confirm your training is compliant. The carrier will let you know which Reg 187 course they accept for Reg 187 compliance. Carriers will only accept a Reg 187 training certification that is NY DFS CE-qualified.

Effective dates for Reg 187:

- August 1st, 2019, for all types of annuities sold in New York.
- February 1st, 2020, for life insurance sold in New York.

CE vendors that offer NY Regulation 187 training courses:*

RegEd

http://www.reged.com/solutions/compliance-product-education/insurancece/

Phone Number: 800-334-8322

Quest CE:

Web Site: https://learn.questce.com/ Phone Number: 877-593-3366

Kaplan Financial Education:

Web Site: https://www.kaplanfinancial.com/insurance-continuing-education

Phone Number: 800-235-4672

Success CE:

Web Site: https://www.successce.com/StateSelection.aspx

Phone Number: 949-706-9453

WebCE

Web Site: https://www.webce.com/catalog

Phone Number: 877-488-9308

*Not all venders are approved by all carriers. Be sure to consult the insurance carrier for confirmation of their approved training vender.

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