"Work is being done at the Illinois State Board of Education on how to implement new professional development requirements set forth in SB 578. The Regional Office of Education is providing input on how to transition license holders into these changes. The State Board will release rules later this school year that set future professional development requirements. Educators that renew in 2014 will continue to follow the old rules (past professional development requirements). At this time, we are unsure of what the rules will be for educators that renew after 2014. (Legislation calls for 120 hours for each educator over a five year cycle; reductions are no longer available with the exception of National Board certified individuals—require 60 cpdus.) The Regional Office will communicate information as soon as it is available."