

State of Idaho **Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses** Idaho Licensing Board of Professional Counselors and Marriage and Family Therapists

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## Minutes of 2/23/2023

Staff:

Board Dennis Baughman, LCPC - Chair **Members** Spencer Zitzman, Ph.D., LMFT **Present:** Lea Williams, LCPC Theresa Bradford Tami Kammer, LMFT, LCPC Anna James Krzemieniecki, LCPC Division Anne Lawler, Bureau Chief Greg Loos, Legal Counsel Emily Rough, Board Support Specialist

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 PM by Dennis M Baughman, LCPC.

Zero-Based Regulation: Ms. Lawler restated the purpose of Zero-Based Regulation. The Board reviewed suggested updates designed to eliminate duplicative or outdated requirements, remove unnecessary barriers, and increase the ease of readability in its administrative rules. Ms. Lawler stated that the language presented has not been shared with stakeholders, who will be provided an opportunity to provide written or verbal comments at a later date. Ms. Lawler reminded the Board that the decisions made today are not final and that there will be additional opportunities to further discuss these changes at future Board meetings. Unless otherwise stated, the Board agreed to all suggestions presented.

Rule 150 – Qualifications for Professional Counselor Licensure: The Board discussed aligning the language of this rule with CACREP standards to alleviate the confusion of identifying what constitutes direct and indirect hours and provide clarity to students. Division staff will provide updated language for this section at the next meeting.

Rule 150.02.a. – Supervised Experience Requirement: To eliminate barriers for applicants who did not obtain all experience hours during an academic program, the language in this rule will be updated to state that not supervised experience must be completed as part of an academic program. Division staff will provide updated language for this section at the next meeting.

Rule 150.02.b. - Supervised Experience Requirement: The Board does not have the statutory authority to register supervisors so the requirement for a supervisor "registered with the board" will instead say "approved by the board."

Rule 150.02.c. – Supervised Experience Requirement: This was deleted as duplicative of Idaho Code § 54-3401(10).

Rule 150.01 – Graduate Program: The Board decided to define the requirements on a Board-approved form to give guidance to the applicant instead of listing it out in the rule. The language that will be used on the form will be "substantially equivalent to CACREP" and this section will be removed.

**Rule 225.02.a.** – **Experience:** Division staff stated that the Board does not have statutory authority to require supervisor registration. The Board agreed to delete the registration requirement but stated that it does not want language that requires pre-approval. Division staff will provide updated language at the next meeting based on a prospective analysis of surrounding states.

**Rule 225.02.** – **Clinical Professional Counselor Licensure:** The Board would like to know if this is consistent with other states. Division staff will add this to the prospective analysis of surrounding states and provide information at the next meeting.

**Rule 230.02 – Practicum:** To align the requirements with COAMFTE, the Board changed the required hours from 150 hours to 100 hours of direct client contact hours with two or more individuals conjointly. The Board also replaced "couples, families, and other systems" with "two or more individuals conjointly who share an ongoing relationship beyond that which occurs in the therapeutic experience itself." This change provides clarification for those who are completing a graduate program.

**238.01.b.** – **Graduate Degree:** The Board deleted subsections i through vi and will update the rule to state that the program must be substantially equivalent to COAMFTE.

## Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:31 PM MT.

The next meeting is on 03/24/2023.