

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 1/27/2023

Board Dennis Baughman, LCPC - Chair **Division** Anne Lawler, Bureau Chief

Members Spencer Zitzman, Ph.D., LMFT Staff: Cesley Metcalfe, Board Support Program

Present: Theresa Bradford Manager

Tami Kammer, LMFT, LCPC Emily Rough, Board Support Specialist

Anna James Krzemienecki

Lea Williams

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 AM by Dennis M Baughman, LCPC.

Introductions

Ms. James-Krzemienecki and Ms. Williams introduced themselves as new members of the Board.

Division Business

Ms. Lawler restated the purpose and process of ZBR. The Board reviewed staff recommendations for the rules outlined below. Unless otherwise stated, the Board approved the recommendations presented.

The Board briefly discussed independent practice and supervision requirements in relation to LCPCs and LPCs. The Board will continue the discussion after the Division completes its prospective analysis regarding supervision requirements. No changes were made.

The Board asked if informed consent needed to be detailed in the rules or just on the website. Ms. Lawler said that the statute states that the specific minimum requirements for informed consent must be defined in the rules. The Board stated that it looks forward to seeing what other states require for informed consent to hopefully provide more clarity to licensees.

001. Scope: The Division changed "therapists" to "therapy" for grammatical accuracy.

004.03 Guidelines: This was deleted because the document is outdated and isn't referenced elsewhere in the rules.

010.01 Accredited University or College: This was deleted as self-evident.

010.02 Face-to-face setting: This was moved to Rule 239.02.c as a more appropriate location.

010.03 Licensed Mental Health Professional Supervisor: The Board discussed whether it should register supervisors. The Division will investigate which other boards register their

supervisors. The Board removed the requirement for an Idaho license but added a requirement that the supervisor must be registered in the state where the supervisee is practicing.

010.04 Practicum: The Board discussed the difference between internship and practicum experience hours and how this rule should be updated to reflect the Board's intent. The Board added a definition for internship and updated the practicum definition for clarity. Additional information will be provided at a future meeting to ensure that the new definitions are accurate for both counselors and marriage and family therapists.

150.01.b Qualifications for Professional Counselor Licensure: Ms. Lawler asked if there is a more objective way to define the alternative to a CACREP counseling program. The Board will review the CACREP requirements to determine if this section needs to be updated.

Public Comment

Michael Whitehead, a marriage and family therapist, stated that he works at a COAMFTE-accredited university. He stated that COAMFTE defines practicum as what happens inside the school and internship as what happens outside of a university setting, and that these may or may not be completed during a graduate program.

The Board asked Division staff to research and provide additional information on the definitions of practicum and internship for all Idaho colleges and universities.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:59 AM MST.

The next meeting is on 02/23/2023.