

BOARD TALK



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SOCIAL WORK SUPERVISION CHANGE

Changes in K.A.R. 102-2-8 (d)(3)(A) went into effect on April 15, 2009.

All Social Workers involved in clinical supervision, or planning to begin a clinical training plan will be affected by this change.

The change is as follows... "have practiced as a specialist clinical social worker, in a position that included assessment, diagnoses, and psychotherapy, for two years beyond the date of clinical licensure. This requirement shall apply to each individual commencing a new supervisory relationship on or after April 15, 2009;" This change applies to those individuals submitting new training plans, and those submitting training plan amendments for changing supervisors which have been sent to the Board on or after the effective date above.

The Board encourages you to read the entire regulation for other changes. Additionally, there have been changes to K.A.R. 102-2-12, one of which allows for a portion of clinical supervision to be completed by video conferencing. This regulation is available on our website www.ksbsrb.org.

Please note: this new requirement is for all supervisors providing clinical supervision to LMSW's working toward their LSCSW.

THIS CHANGE DOES NOT AFFECT THOSE WHO ARE CURRENTLY PRACTICING UNDER AN APPROVED TRAINING PLAN.

CHANGE IN PSYCHOLOGY FEES

There were changes in the fee structure for licensure as a psychologist which were effective June 26, 2009. The application fee increased to \$225, up from the previous cost of \$100. The fee for an original license decreased from \$175 to \$50. The fees for renewals, duplicate, and temporary licenses were unchanged.

For more information you may visit the Board website to view the proposed regulation 102-1-13.

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SOCIAL WORK ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Social Work advisory committee is looking for 2 new members. The committee usually meets 6 times per year. Currently, the meetings are held on the second or third Tuesday of every other month.

The committee meets to advise the Board about issues relevant to the profession. Joining the meetings by conference call may become available. However, at least one meeting in person per year would be preferred.

Please send a letter of interest along with a copy of your resume to:
phyllis.gilmore@bsrb.state.ks.us by July 22nd, 2009.



ONLINE RENEWALS

COMING THIS FALL

You will have the opportunity to pay by electronic check when renewing on line. Credit card payment will still be accepted as well. For the electronic check there will be a \$3.00 convenience fee added. The convenience fees for payment online by credit card are as follows:

If your renewal fee is \$100.00 or \$125.00, the fee would be \$6.00.

If your renewal fee is \$150.00 or \$175.00, the fee would be \$7.00.

If your renewal fee is \$200.00, the fee would be \$10.00.

Please continue to check the website for further details regarding the changes.

CHECK YOUR EXPIRATION DATE

One area of violations that continues to increase is regarding those who forget to renew their licenses yet continue to practice. This is a serious offense and may cross over into insurance fraud. We encourage each of you to take the renewal of your license seriously. A postcard is sent as a courtesy reminder, but if it is not received, it does not release a licensee from the obligation of timely renewal.

REPORTING DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

The Board has amended its publication policy effective with complaints received on or after August 1, 2008. All disciplinary actions will be published on the website and in the newsletter, with the exception of cases when a fine is levied and no other disciplinary action is imposed. You may view the previous policy and current policy at:

<http://www.ksbrb.org/boardwebsitepolicy.htm>.

Cases Received for FY 2009 by License

Profession	# Received	Percentage
LP	18	13.04%
LMLP	4	2.90%
LCP	6	4.35%
LMFT	3	2.17%
LCMFT	5	3.62%
LPC	4	2.90%
LCPC	3	2.17%
LASW	2	1.45%
LBSW	18	13.04%
LMSW	27	19.57%
LSCSW	33	23.91%
RAODAC	0	0.00%
No License	15	10.87%
Total	138	100.00%

LICENSE VERIFICATION

This is to advise you that a \$5.00 fee is required for each license or registration the Board office is asked to verify. All requests are to be prepaid with cash, credit card, check, or money order payable to: BSRB.

We will be happy to process your request as soon as we receive your payment.

If you would like to verify your license online, you may do so for free. Just go out to our website under online services and click on license verification. Once there, you can look up anyone licensed by the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board.

ATTENTION ALL NEW APPLICANTS

When you apply for a license with the Board, we will post on the website under online services a spot for you to verify the status of your application. Please do not contact the Board office before you check the status of your application online. Also, make sure you allow at least thirty days for your application to be reviewed. We have a high number of applications and only two people who review them. They will be processed in the order they are received.



NEW LOOK TO OUR WEBSITE

Everyone is encouraged to go to www.ksbsrb.org and look at the new website. It has good information in an easy to access format. We are always open to receiving any suggestions you may have for its improvement.

BOARD/UNIVERSITY ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

In an effort to enhance communication between the Board and Kansas universities, the BSRB has sponsored two round table discussions. A third offering will be held this coming October.

There has been good discussion among all attendees and it has been beneficial for everyone. Some of the discussion has centered on the topics of supervision, professional references, coursework updates, and temporary license changes.

It is the Board's desire to have an on going dialogue with all of the universities in Kansas.

SUPERVISION

The Board has created a sub-committee to study issues surrounding supervision. There continues to be confusion about the Board's expectation of those licensees working toward clinical licensure. We find many times supervisees are given misinformation by supervisors. The committee would welcome any suggestions supervisees or supervisors have about this matter. You may email the Board from the website.

SUPERVISION LOGS

It is important to remember that your supervision logs may be requested if the Board has questions about your clinical practice hours. Please be sure you are keeping accurate records of your practice hours and supervision hours as well as the ratio of supervision to client contact hours. If you cannot substantiate your time, it may not be accepted and will lengthen your supervision time.



GOING GREEN

The Board is making every effort to support the State's desire to "Go Green." Therefore, this newsletter is being sent electronically. It is our intention to send all newsletters and other important notices electronically in the future. Please remember to update your email address with the board office so we can continue to keep you informed on any important notices. Previous and current newsletters are also available on our website for your convenience.