



# Board Talk

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## Newsletter of the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board

### ***BULLETIN FROM A BOARD MEMBER:***

There will be a public hearing on proposed amendments to permanent regulations for licensed psychologists from 9:00 – 11:00 am on Wednesday, May 30, 2001 at the board office. These proposed amendments may be viewed on our website or by contacting the board office. The proposed regulations include an update of the definition section of the regulations (K.A.R. 102-1-1), a revision of the unprofessional conduct code (K.A.R. 102-1-10a), and a new regulation regarding requirements for client records (K.A.R. 102-1-20).

The Psychology Advisory Committee has worked on the proposed changes over the past several years. The committee reviewed the unprofessional conduct regulations of other disciplines regulated by the BSRB, examined the 1992 APA Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct, *Continued on page 3*

### **NEWS FROM THE DESK OF THE DIRECTOR:**

The 2001 Legislature is about to adjourn. SB 186 was passed and has been sent to the Governor for signing. This bill, for the most part, is a clean-up bill for licensure. It also gives subpoena power to the board for investigations and states that the provider-client privilege does not apply in investigations or proceedings before the Board. However, the Board is required to keep confidential the names and content of any client records that may be reviewed pursuant to the statute.

Some of you may be aware verifications of licensure are available online through a link on our website. This service is provided by the Information Network of Kansas for its subscribers and has been positively received.

For licensees, renewals are to go online by July 1, 2001. This service may be accessed through our website. In addition to being online, you will notice a streamlining of the renewal process. The option of renewing my mail will continue to be available.

Credit card acceptance will begin on July 1, 2001 and will be available for all payment transactions.

Social work pre-approved providers for continuing education regulations have been written and will soon be available for public comment. Watch our website for additional information.

Sincerely,

Phyllis



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## **Credentialing Corner** by Jennifer Springer

### **Clinical Supervision Training Plan**

If you are preparing to begin your clinical supervision training these are the steps to follow:

- #1 – Review the appropriate statutes/regulations for your profession regarding clinical supervision.
- #2 – Locate a supervisor that meets the qualifications to supervise you for the clinical work experience.
- #3 – Be sure your work environment includes the required components of clinical work experience.
- #4 – Complete the training plan with your clinical supervisor. The BSRB has a form that is in question answer format. The form is available on the website under your profession or by requesting it from the board office.
- #5 – Submit the training plan to the board office for approval. All training plans submitted after July 1, 2000 require pre-approval before the clinical training hours can be counted.
- #6 – Once the training plans are submitted to the board office, they are given high priority to review. The applicants should receive a response from the board office within one week.

### **Examination for Professional Practice of Psychology (EPPP) Exam**

Effective April 18, 2001 the EPPP exam will be given in a computerized version in the state of Kansas.

The exam will now be offered six days a week through a testing center.

The required process will still require all test candidates to be approved through the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board office.

For more information visit the following web sites: [www.asppb.org](http://www.asppb.org) [www.prometric.com](http://www.prometric.com) or contact the board office.

## **Investigation** **Information**

*Roger Scurlock, Special Investigator*

### **Sanctioning Guidelines**

The Board is currently working on developing sanctioning guidelines. Once implemented, formalized sanctioning guidelines would assure that similar violations receive a similar penalty among the various professions. The guidelines would have a range of possible sanctions for each violation so that the proximate circumstances can be taken into account when determining the final disposition of a proven complaint.

***Bulletin From a Board Member continued.....***  
discussed recent trends in reports of alleged violations against psychologists, and considered the changing nature of the profession and the diversity of roles and settings where psychologists work.

The amendments reflect an attempt to standardize unprofessional conduct regulations across the disciplines regulated by BSRB where appropriate. The regulatory language will incorporate ethical principles relevant to the practice of psychology, not included in the previous code, and will address areas of practice that would provide greater clarity to licensees regarding professional conduct.

Some of the proposed revisions or additions to the code include such areas as forensics practice, assessment procedures, confidentiality, client welfare, emergency coverage, harmful dual relationships, raw test data, and supervision to name a few. A major expansion and clarification of the current unprofessional conduct code regarding record keeping is now a proposed separate regulation. This amendment addresses the minimal requirements for the record in terms of information required, content and retention. You are encouraged to review the proposed amendments and to provide either written feedback to the board office or attend the public hearing on May 30. Larry W. Hays, Ph.D.

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## Calendar of Events

The following meetings will be held at the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board Office Board Room.

- May 30, 2001                      9:00 – 11:00 am  
Public Hearing for LP Regulations
- May 31, 2001                      7:00 – 10:00 pm  
LPC Committee Meeting at  
*Capitol Plaza Hotel*
- June 1, 2001                        9:30 am  
LPC Committee Meeting
- June 8, 2001                       10:00 am  
Social Work Committee Meeting
- June 11, 2001  
Board Meeting Cancelled

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ADDRESS HAS CHANGED:  
[WWW.KSBSRB.ORG](http://WWW.KSBSRB.ORG)

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**All Professions licensed and/or registered through the BSRB must complete three contact hours in ethics as a part of the required 60 hours of continuing education units.**

**Reminder: Effective January 1, 2002 all licensees (except LBSW and RAODAC) must complete six contact hours in diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders.**

Are you interested in serving on your profession's Advisory Committee? If so please contact Phyllis Gilmore, Executive Director of Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board.

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| Marriage and Family Therapist | – | Meet quarterly, location and time vary        |
| Masters Level Psychology      | – | Meet monthly, location and time vary          |
| Psychologists                 | – | Third Tuesday, monthly 6:00 p.m., BSRB office |
| Professional Counselors       | – | Meet monthly, 9:30 am, BSRB office            |
| Social Work Advisory          | – | Fridays, 10:00 am, bimonthly at BSRB office   |

### Open Cases Breakdown

05-01-2001

Profession	Number Of Cases Open	Number of Licensees
LP	09	634
LMLP	04	484
LCP	00	245
LMFT	00	218
LCMFT	01	193
LPC	02	375
LCPC	01	182
LBSW	20	2108
LMSW	06	1812
LSCSW	06	1467
No License	02	0
Total	51	7718

### CREDIT CARD INFORMATION

Effective July 1, 2001 the following credit cards will be accepted:

American Express      Discover  
Mastercard              Visa

They will be accepted in person, by mail, telephone or online.



*“In Tranquil Moments, we envision our secret dreams, contemplate our deepest thoughts, gather strength to realize our highest hopes”*

*Dean Walley*

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