

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF A MEETING FOR
STATE OF NEVADA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS**

DATE OF MEETING: Friday, July 9, 2021 Time: 8:30 a.m.

The meeting of the State of Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners (Board) will be conducted, and may be attended through a remote technology system (video- or teleconference). To participate remotely, individuals are invited to enter the meeting from the Zoom website at: <https://zoom.us/j/91856777319>. To access the meeting via audio only, dial 1-669-900-6833 and enter the meeting ID: 918 5677 7319. The meeting may also be attended at the physical location of the Board Office at 4600 Kietzke Lane, Suite B-116, Reno, Nevada, 89502. (The Board office recommends that individuals unfamiliar with ZOOM visit the website in advance to familiarize themselves with the format by viewing the online tutorials and reading the FAQs. To learn more about Zoom, go to <https://zoom.us/>.)

The Board will accept public comment via email. Those wishing to make public comment should email their public comments to the Board office at nbop@govmail.state.nv.us. Written public comments must be received prior to the start of the meeting and will be forwarded to the Board for their consideration. Public comments will be included in the public record (meeting minutes) but will not necessarily be read aloud during the meeting. In compliance with Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 241 (Open Meeting Law), the Board is precluded from taking action on items raised by public comment which are not already on the agenda.

The Board may take items out of order, combine items for consideration, and items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time. Public comment will be taken at the beginning and end of the meeting. The public may provide comment on any matter whether or not that matter is a specific topic on the agenda. However, prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual, the Board may refuse to consider public comment on that item. (NRS 233B.126) Public comment that is willfully disruptive is prohibited, and individuals who willfully disrupt the meeting may be removed from the meeting. (NRS 241.030(5)(b)) The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person (NRS 241.030). Once all items on the agenda are completed, the meeting will adjourn.

AGENDA

- 1. Call To Order/Roll Call to Determine the Presence of a Quorum.**
- 2. Public Comment.** Note: Public comment is welcomed by the Board and may be limited to three minutes per person at the discretion of the Board President. Public comment will be allowed at the beginning and end of the meeting, as noted on the agenda. The Board President may allow additional time to be given a speaker as

time allows and in their sole discretion. Comments will not be restricted based on viewpoint. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken (NRS 241.020)

3. (For Possible Action) Workshop to Solicit Comments on a Proposed Regulation (See Attachment A); and Possible Action to Forward the Proposed Regulation to a Hearing at a Future Meeting of the Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners in Accordance with NRS Chapter 233B

- A. Proposed Removal of Language Referencing to Behavior Analysts from Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 641

4. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of the State of Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners from June 11, 2021.

5. Financial Report

- A. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Treasurer's Report for F/Y 2021 (July 1, 2020, Through June 30, 2021).
- B. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Accept the Audit Engagement Letter from *Campbell, Jones, Cohen CPAs* to perform the Fiscal Year 2021 external audit for a contracted amount of \$10,000
- C. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Authorize Bank of America to Place Secretary/Treasurer Stephanie Woodard as a Signor on the Board Bank Accounts and to Assign a Credit Card in her Name for the Purpose of Carrying out Board Business and to Remove John Krogh from the Same

6. Board Needs and Operations

- A. Update and Report from the Nevada Psychological Association
- B. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Select the Three Members of the Application Tracking Equivalency and Mobility (ATEAM) Committee for a one-year term beginning July 9, 2021, through June 30, 2022, from the current Board members: Whitney Owens, Stephanie Woodard, Stephanie Holland, Soseh Esmaeili, and Monique McCoy
- C. Report From the Executive Director on Board Office Operations
- D. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to consider adding the federal holiday of Juneteenth as a holiday and paid vacation day for office staff

- E. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to consider a change to the Board Office Hours
- 7. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Provide Guidance on Matters Related to the Covid-19 Pandemic and Governor Sisolak's Directive 011. Discussion May Include Licensure Renewal, Continuing Education Credits, Temporary Licensure, Supervision Concerns, Obtaining Clinical Hours for Licensure, and the Use of Telepsychology and Interjurisdictional Practice.**
- 8. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Consider Options for Temporary Licensure to Ensure Continuity of Care for Patients Being Seen by Out-Of-State Providers when the Provisions of Directive 011 Expire**
- 9. (For Possible Action) Review, Discussion, and Possible Action on Pending Consumer Complaints:**
- A. Complaint #19-0626
 - B. Complaint #19-0709
 - C. Complaint #19-1106
 - D. Complaint #19-1223
 - E. Complaint #20-0501
 - F. Complaint #20-0818
 - G. Complaint #20-0819
 - H. Complaint #21-0513
 - I. Complaint #21-0524
- 10. (For Possible Action) Review and Possible Action on Applications for Licensure as a Psychologist or Registration as a Psychological Assistant, Intern or Trainee. The Board May Convene in Closed Session to Receive Information Regarding Applicants, Which May Involve Considering the Character, Alleged Misconduct, Professional Competence or Physical or Mental Health of the Applicant (NRS 241.030). All Deliberation and Action Will Occur in an Open Session.** *Note: Applicant names are listed on the agenda to allow the Board to discuss applicants when necessary to move the applicant through the licensure process. The listing of an applicant's name on the agenda indicates only that an application for licensure/registration has been received. It does not mean that the application has been approved or that the applicant must appear at the meeting in order for the applicant's application to move forward through the licensure process. If an applicant needs to attend the meeting for the Board to take action, the applicant will be notified in writing prior to the meeting. Please, direct questions or comments regarding licensure applications to the Board office.*

PSYCHOLOGISTS

Liana Abascal	Dana Chidekel	Beth Lavin	Maxwell Rappaport
Jodi Abramowitz	Richard Coder	Timothy Law	Rory Reid
Michael Abrams	Tanya Crabb	Karen Lehman	Kristina Reynoso
Danielle Agnello (PA)	Oral Custer	Rose Leung	Danielle Richards
Catherine Aisner	Lucas Cylke (PA)	Bertrand Levesque	Anthony Rodriguez
Luke Allen	Edward DeAnda	Jodi Lovejoy	Vincent Rodriguez
Gera Anderson	Eric Diddy	Debra Maddox	Amber Rose
Tony Angelo	Marie Ehrler	Melissa Marrapese	Jesse Scott (PA)
Jose Arauz (PA)	Marissa Elpidama	Regina Marshall	Nicole Steiner-Pappalardo
Hope Bagley	Anthony Francisco	Robert McGahey	Vahe Sukiasyan
Cherly Ballou	Howard Friedman	Patricia McGuire	LaTanya Takla
John Barona	Miriam Funtowicz	Katharine Miller	Ashley Taylor
Stephanie Bellusa (PA)	Dana Gionta	Shanna Mohler	Alisa Turner-Augustyn
Jennifer Berg	Jonathan Gould	Luzviminda Morrow (PA)	Aaron Van Smith
Luke Bigler	Kalana Greer	Monica Mousa	Anya Verriden
Mantsha Boikanyo	Aleesha Grier-Rogers	Michellane Mouton	Angela Waldrop
Amanda Borlenghi	Lori Haggard	Patrick Murphy	John Walker
Beth Borosh-Gissane	Lisa Hancock	Heather Neill	Meghan Walls (PA)
Latoya Brogdon	Jill Hayes Barbee	Lyle Noisy Hawk (PA)	Nicolle Walters
Jodi Cabrera	Andrew Hickman (PA)	Raymond Nourmand	Dale Watson
Tyler Camaione	Bernadette Hinojos (PA)	Ariel Ogilvie-McSweeney	Kiara Wesley
Cynthia Cameron	Billie Ivra	Rhea Pobuda	Yvonne Westover
Jonathan Campos (PA)	Carolynne Karr	Katherine Pruzan	Carrie Wilkens
Sylvia Chang	Kathryn Kimball	Shehroo Pudumjee	Wendy Worrell
Si Arthur Chen	Laura LaPiana	Vesna Radojevic	

PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSISTANTS

Tawnya Ayim	Nicole Dionisio	James Maltzahn	January Prince
Nats Babel	Alicia Doman	Carolina Meza Perez	Elizabeth Pritchard
Abigail Bailly	Deva Dorris	Desiree Misanko	Sarah Ramos
Michelle Berumen	Melanie Duckworth	Candis R. Mitchell	David Robinson
Shannon Burns-Darden	Daphne Fowler	Crystal Moon	Mariah Schwan
Rachel Butler Pagnotti	Alyssa Garcia	Carolina Morales Alicea	Shweta Sharma
Nicholas Carfagno	Stacy Graves	Blanca Naudin	Gerald Shorty
Jena Casas	Jennifer Grimes Vawters	Kellie Nesto	Sharon Simington
Leandrea Caver	Kelly Hughes	Rory Newlands	Krystal Smith
Nino Chkhaidze	Kelly Humphreys	Gabriela Olavarrieta	Cyndy Soto-Lopez
Althea Clark	Elysse Kompaniez-Dunigan	Dylena Pierce	Marquez Wilson
Jessica Crellin	Cynthia Lancaster	Chelsea Powell	Lauren Wing
Georgia Dalto	Patrice Leverett	Amanda Powers	Jaime Wong
Matthew Damon	Vanessa Ma	Richard Pratt	

PSYCHOLOGICAL INTERNS

Lynne Ballard	Linda Curtis	Kimberly Gray	Michael Hobbs
Amanda Barone	Matthew Danbrook	Jennifer Guttman	Monica Jackson
Leslie Bautista	Chad Davis	Laurie Harris	Dorota Krotkiewicz
Katie Biggers	Edward De Anda	Shanel Harris	Angela Lewis
Shantay Coleman	Bryon Gallant	Joseph Henrich	Elisabeth Lischer

Mavis Major
Isra Malik
Tracy Moore
Kelly Nelson

Kellie Nesto
Jeffery Newell
Ximena Radienovic
Dana Schmidt

Alexis Sliva
Barbara Sommer
Sean Traynor
Alexandro Velez

Melina Yaraghchi
Qingqing Zhu

PSYCHOLOGICAL TRAINEES

Yen-Ling Chen
Leila Gail
Jaqueline Green
Kayla Kaiser

Erica Marino
Mollie McDonald
Amanda Mraz
Kelly Parker

Nicky Petersen
Samantha Sherwood
Mary Smirnova
Cory Stanton

Holly Summers
Sherri Tschida
Charlotte Watley
Kayli Wrenn

- A. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Request of Sylvia Chang to take the EPPP Part-1 a Fourth Time. Discussion may include the submitted study guide and plan.
- B. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Bernadette Hinojos, Psy.D., For A One-Year Extension of Her Registration as a Psychological Assistant Through July 8, 2022, and a One-Year Extension of her Application for Licensure through October 1, 2022
- C. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Request of Rory Newlands for an Accommodation to take the Nevada State Examination

11. (For Possible Action) Discussion of the Status of the EPPP Part-2 Beta Testing and Black Out Period; and Possible Action on Requests by Applicants Related to the EPPP Part-2 Licensure Requirement

- A. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Determine if Applicant Nino Chkhaidze is Required to take the EPPP Part-2 as part of licensure
- B. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Determine if Applicant Debra Maddox is Required to take the EPPP Part-2 as part of licensure
- C. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Issue a License to Practice Psychology to Applicant Shehroo Pudumjee Under the Supervision of a Licensed Psychologist until she obtains a passing score on the EPPP Part-2 and contingent upon completion of all other licensure requirements
- D. (For Possible Action) Discussion of the Status of Dr. Michelle Zochowski who was issued a license to practice Psychology Under the Supervision of a Licensed Psychologist until she obtains a passing score on the EPPP Part-2

12. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Create a Master's Degree Level License and/or a Psychological Assistant (Post-Doctoral) License

- 13. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Adopt Procedures Related to Registration and Supervision of Psychological Assistants in accordance with Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 641**
- 14. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Authorize the Board's State Exam Chair and the Executive Director to Correct an Error on a Question in the State Exam Question Bank**
- 15. Legislative Update**
 - A. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action Related to the 2021 Session of the Nevada Legislature, Including Next Steps for Implementation of New and/or Revised Statutes. Discussion may include changes that resulted from Assembly Bill 327, Assembly Bill 366, and Senate Bill 44.
 - B. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action on the Proposed Revision of Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 641.390, Representation or Practice Without License or Registration Prohibited, During the 2023 Session of the Nevada State Legislature
- 16. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action on Regulations Proposing Changes to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 641 in Accordance with Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 233B**
 - A. R057-19: Fees
 - B. R058-19: Endorsement Language
 - C. R114-19: Foreign Graduates
 - D. R115-19: Supervision, payment of psychological assistant, Closure of a Practice
 - E. R173-20 (Previously R131-15): Requires those teaching or engaging in research to be licensed if providing supervision in a university setting.
 - F. R174-20: Code of Conduct
 - G. R175-20: Removal of "Moral"
 - H. Behavior Analysts...
- 17. (For Possible Action) Discussion of U.S. District Court Case 2:20-Cv-00651-Kjd-Vcf Where the State of Nevada Board Psychological Examiners is a Named Defendant.**
- 18. (For Possible Action) Schedule of Future Board Meetings, Hearings, and Workshops. The Board May Discuss and Decide Future Meeting Dates, Hearing Dates, and Workshop Dates**
 - A. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners is Friday, August 13, 2021, at 8:30 a.m.

19. Requests for Future Board Meeting Agenda Items (No Discussion Among the Members will Take Place on this Item)

20. Public Comment - Public comment is welcomed by the Board and may be limited to three minutes per person at the discretion of the Board President. Public comment will be allowed at the beginning and end of the meeting, as noted on the agenda. The Board President may allow additional time to be given a speaker as time allows and in his sole discretion. Comments will not be restricted based on viewpoint. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken (NRS 241.020))

21. (For Possible Action) Adjournment

The Board may recess for lunch for approximately one hour, at a time to be determined.

The Board is pleased to make reasonable accommodations for members of the public who are disabled and wish to participate in the meeting. If such arrangements are necessary, please contact the board office at (775) 688-1268 no later than noon on Thursday, July 8, 2021.

For supporting materials, visit the Board's website at <http://psyexam.nv.gov/Board/2021/2021/> or contact Lisa Scurry, Executive Director at the Board office by telephone (775-688-1268), e-mail (nbop@govmail.state.nv.us) or in writing at Board of Psychological Examiners, 4600 Kietzke Lane, Suite B-116, Reno, Nevada 89502.

In accordance with NRS 241.020, this public meeting notice has been properly posted at or before 9 a.m. on Tuesday, July 6, 2021, at the following locations:

- Board office located at 4600 Kietzke Lane, Bldg. B-116, Reno;
- Nevada Public Notice website: <https://notice.nv.gov/>; and
- Board's website at <http://psyexam.nv.gov/Board/2021/2021/>.

In addition, this public meeting notice has been sent to all persons on the Board's meeting notice list, pursuant to NRS 241.020(3)(c).

ADDENDUM A

STATE OF NEVADA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS NOTICE OF WORKSHOP TO SOLICIT COMMENTS ON PROPOSED REGULATIONS

DATE OF MEETING: Friday, July 9, 2021 Time: 8:35 a.m.

The Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners is proposing the amendment of a regulation pertaining to Chapter 641 of Nevada Administrative Code.

A workshop has been set for Friday, July 9, 2021, at 8:35 a.m. The physical location of the meeting will be the office of the State of Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners, 4600 Kietzke Lane, B-116 Reno, Nevada 89502. The meeting will also take place remotely via Zoom. Individuals wishing to participate remotely may, on the scheduled day and time, enter the meeting from the Zoom website at: <https://zoom.us/j/91856777319>. The meeting ID is **918 5677 7319**. To access the meeting via audio only, dial 1-669-900-6833 and enter the meeting ID.

The purpose of the workshop is to solicit comments from interested persons on the following general topic that is addressed in the proposed regulation:

- Removal of all language related to behavior analysis and behavior analysts, as related provisions have been moved to a new section of NRS and NAC with oversight by a new Board of Examiners. Sections of the NAC to be repealed are: NAC 641.003, 641.008, 641.085, 641.029, 641.031, 641.063, 641.083, 641.113, 641.1363, 641.209, 641.213, and 641.255. Sections of the NAC to be revised are: NAC 641.019, 641.050, 641.132, 641.133, 641.1503, 641.200, 641.204, 641.206, 641.219, 641.224, 641.229, 641.234, 641.239, 641.241, and 641.245.

Language has been developed outside of the workshop and will be discussed during the workshop. If you are unable to attend the workshop but wish to submit any questions, concerns or general input, please submit them in writing to the Board office State of Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners, 4600 Kietzke Lane, B-116 Reno, Nevada 89502 or NBOP@govmail.state.nv.us, not later than Thursday, July 8, 2021 at 5 p.m. All statements received will be provided to the Board during the workshop.

Please contact the Board office if you are interested in reviewing the language that will be presented to the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB).

This Notice of Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Regulation has been sent to all persons on the agency's mailing list for administrative regulations and posted at the Board office located at 4600 Kietzke Lane, Bldg. B-116, Reno; the Nevada Public Notice website (notice.nv.gov); and the Board's website (<http://psyexam.nv.gov/Board/2021/2021/>)

Date: June 9, 2021

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Friday, June 11, 2021

1. Call to Order/Roll Call to Determine the Presence of a Quorum.

Call to Order: The meeting of the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners was called to order by President Whitney Owens, PsyD, at 8:30 a.m. at the office of the Board of Psychological Examiners, 4600 Kietzke Lane, Ste B-116, Reno, Nevada 89502. Due to COVID-19 and Governor Sisolak's Emergency Mandate to Stay at Home for Nevada, this meeting was also conducted online via "Zoom."

Roll Call: Board President Whitney Owens, PsyD, Secretary/Treasurer John Krogh, Ph.D. and Members Stephanie Holland, PsyD, Monique McCoy, LCSW, and Stephanie Woodard were present at roll call. Soseh Esmaeili, PsyD, was absent.

Also present were Sophia Long, Senior Deputy Attorney General, Gary Lenkeit, Board Investigator, Lisa Scurry, Executive Director, Neena Laxalt, Board Lobbyist, and members of the public: Bernadette Hinojos, Donald Hoier, Brian Lech, Sara Hunt, and Shanel Harris.

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment at this time. Lisa Scurry, Executive Director, stated no public comment had been received by the Board Office as of the start of the meeting.

3. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Approval of the Minutes of the Meetings of the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners from May 14, 2021.

There was no discussion nor recommended changes to the minutes.

On motion by Stephanie Holland, second by John Krogh, the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners approved the meeting minutes from May 14, 2021. (Yea: Whitney Owens, John Krogh, Stephanie Holland, Monique McCoy, and Stephanie Woodard) Motion Carries: 5-0

4. Financial Report

A. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Treasurer's Report For F/Y 2021 (July 1, 2020, Through June 30, 2021).

Secretary/Treasurer Dr. John Krogh presented the financial report. He noted that as fiscal year 2021 is nearing the end, the overall revenues reached 100% of what was budgeted. Expenditures, to date, were approximately 80% of what was budgeted leaving the Board in a positive financial position.

Dr. Krogh added that there are some categories that, while accurate, are misleading, such as bank fees. Those categories will be corrected for the fiscal year 2022 budget.

On motion by Monique McCoy, second by Stephanie Holland, the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners approved the treasurer's report for Fiscal Year 2021. (Yea: Whitney Owens, John Krogh, Stephanie Holland, Monique McCoy, Stephanie Woodard) Motion Carries: 5-0

B. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Renewal of the Independent Contractor Agreement of Michelle Fox to perform Bookkeeper Services for Fiscal Year 2022 in an Amount not to Exceed \$2,000

Lisa Scurry, Executive Director, explained that having a bookkeeper has been positive for the office. Michelle Fox, the office bookkeeper, has provided an additional layer of oversight of the financial accounts, trained staff, and assisted during the annual audit. As a result, Ms. Scurry recommended extending Ms. Fox's contract for an additional year in an amount not to exceed \$2,000, including an hourly increase from \$40 to \$42.50. She added that the increased amount should not result in the budgeted amount exceeding \$2,000 for the fiscal year.

On motion by Monique McCoy, second by Stephanie Holland, the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners approved renewal of the bookkeeper contract with Michelle Fox for an amount not to exceed \$2,000 and to include an hourly rate increase from \$40 to \$42.50. (Yea: Whitney Owens, John Krogh, Stephanie Holland, Monique McCoy, Stephanie Woodard) Motion Carries: 5-0

C. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Provide Direction to the Executive Director Related to obtaining the services of an accounting firm to perform the Fiscal Year 2021 external auditor, including approval of the potential cost at not more than \$12,000

Lisa Scurry, Executive Director, presented information on the annual external financial audit that is required by law. For the audit of Fiscal Year 2020, the Board paid \$10,500 for the external audit. After the posting of this agenda, Ms. Scurry explained that she was notified that the firm would be increasing their rate for the audit of Fiscal Year 2021 to \$15,000. As a result, she is in the process of contacting alternative firms in search of a lower cost.

Ms. Scurry explained that if the Board must retain a firm that charges \$15,000 for the audit, they could use a balance sheet submission versus a full audit in non-renewal years where revenues are low. The cost for a balance sheet review would be nearly half resulting in a two-year estimate of approximately \$23,000.

The Board was asked for action to allow Ms. Scurry to search for and begin negotiations with a firm to conduct the fiscal year 2021 audit. A final contract and amount will return to the Board at a future meeting for final approval.

On motion by John Krogh, second by Stephanie Woodard, the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners provided direction to the Executive Director to seek the services of an accounting firm to perform the Fiscal Year 2021 external auditor and negotiate a cost of not more than \$12,000. (Yea: Whitney Owens, John Krogh, Stephanie Holland, Monique McCoy, Stephanie Woodard)

Motion Carries: 5-0

D. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve a Pay Raise of Not Less than 2% of the Current Annual Salary for Executive Director Lisa Scurry Beginning July 1, 2021, for Fiscal Year 2022

President Whitney Owens explained that in accordance with the policy adopted by the Board, the executive director shall be given a salary increase of at least 2% if the performance evaluation is scored as Average or better. Ms. Scurry's recent performance evaluation was scored as Above Average warranting the salary increase.

On motion by John Krogh, second by Monique McCoy, the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners approved a salary increase of 2% of the current annual salary of executive director Lisa Scurry beginning July 1, 2021, for Fiscal Year 2022. (Yea: Whitney Owens, John Krogh, Stephanie Holland, Monique McCoy, Stephanie Woodard) Motion Carries: 5-0

5. Board Needs and Operations

A. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Select Officers for the State of Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners for a One-Year Term from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022, from the Current Board Membership. Officers to be Selected may Include President, Secretary/Treasurer, Continuing Education Officer, and Exam Officer.

President Owens explained that as is done each year, the following officers would be selected to serve a term beginning July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. She asked the members to consider the various positions.

Dr. Holland stated she would like to remain the Exam Officer or would consider taking the role of Continuing Education Officer.

Member McCoy stated she would like to remain the Continuing Education Officer.

President Owens asked if anyone would be interested in taking the role of Secretary / Treasurer. Specifically, she asked Dr. Woodard if she would be interested, adding that having that position in the North is helpful to the office staff. Dr. Woodard stated she would like to be considered for the role of Secretary / Treasurer.

President Owens stated her interest in remaining president. Dr. Holland offered her support in keeping Dr. Owens as president of the Board.

On motion by John Krogh, second by Stephanie Holland, the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners elected Whitney Owens, President, Stephanie Woodard, Secretary / Treasurer, Stephanie Holland, Exam Officer, and Monique McCoy, Continuing Education Officer, for a term beginning July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. (Yea: Whitney Owens, John Krogh, Stephanie Holland, Monique McCoy, Stephanie Woodard) Motion Carries: 5-0

B. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Renew the Current ATEAM Members (Whitney Owens, Stephanie Holland, Stephanie Woodard) for an additional One-Year Term from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

President Owens explained that that current membership of the Application Tracking Equivalency and Mobility (ATEAM) Committee consists of herself, Stephanie Holland, and Stephanie Woodard. Both Dr. Holland and Dr. Woodard expressed interest in continuing.

Member McCoy expressed interest in being on the Committee. As the agenda item title didn't allow for consideration of new members, the item will return on the July meeting agenda.

C. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Select the PsyPact Commissioner from Current Board Membership or Other Licensed Psychologists in the State of Nevada for a One-Year Term Beginning July 1, 2021, and Ending June 30, 2022, from the Current Board Membership.

Dr. Gary Lenkeit expressed interested in remaining the PsyPact Commissioner for an additional year.

On motion by Stephanie Woodard, second by John Krogh, the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners selected Gary Lenkeit as the PsyPact Commissioner for an additional term beginning July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. (Yea: Whitney Owens, John Krogh, Stephanie Holland, Monique McCoy, Stephanie Woodard) Motion Carries: 5-0

D. Update and Report from the Nevada Psychological Association

Sara Hunt, Past President of the Nevada Psychological Association (NPA), provided an update on the association's activities. The NPA held a strategic planning meeting and voted to continue the current objectives for another year. In 2022, a new set of objectives will be adopted. They also discussed moving continuing education events back to in-person opportunities.

President Owens mentioned that the Board has been discussing licensure at the master's level and/or post-doctoral students to allow for insurance reimbursement by commercial insurance. She added that without such licensure there is a potential for fraudulent billing on the part of supervisors. Dr. Owens asked if the subject of billing

by supervisors under those conditions was something NPA would like to consider as well.

Dr. Holland asked how the Board can help to educate supervisors, particularly if they are not aware such billing could be a problem. She also asked if the Board could contact insurance companies about changing the way in which insurance can be billed.

Dr. Lenkeit suggested that the Board is regulatory and should be cautious about promoting practice. President Owens agreed, adding that is the reason she wanted to bring it to the attention of NPA.

E. Update on the Activities of the Application, Tracking Equivalency, and Mobility (ATEAM) Committee

President Owens, who also serves as the Chair of the ATEAM Committee, shared that the Committee is working to streamline the process for reviewing applications for licensure by endorsement. That includes developing procedures related to when the executive director has the authority to approve an application based on the requirements outline in Nevada Administrative Code, and specifically NAC 641.080.

F. Report From the Executive Director on Board Office Operations

Lisa Scurry, Executive Director, presented data on the activities of the Board Office. Through April and May, 17 new psychologist licenses were issued, and 21 applications accepted. Six psychological assistant, intern, and trainee registrations were approved, with 11 new applications. Other data presented included the number of temporary registrations under Directive 011, non-resident consultant applications, continuing education applications, and administration of state exams.

6. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Provide Guidance on Matters Related to the Covid-19 Pandemic and Governor Sisolak's Directive 011. Discussion May Include Licensure Renewal, Continuing Education Credits, Temporary Licensure, Supervision Concerns, Obtaining Clinical Hours for Licensure, and the Use of Telepsychology and Interjurisdictional Practice.

The Board discussed the current status of the Governor's state of emergency Directive 011 and the temporary registration of individuals licensed in another jurisdiction to practice in Nevada via telehealth.

Member Dr. Woodard stated she had not heard of any potential end date for the Directive but had heard of similar directives in other states ending with little warning. She suggested the Board begin preparing for the directive's end.

Director Scurry informed the Board that at the previous meeting she obtained approval for a revised registration form should proposed legislation related to temporary

licensure be adopted by the Nevada Legislature. As that legislation had failed, she asked for new direction as to changes to the registration form, any other data that should be collected, etc.

There was discussion about transitioning to a new registration application that would allow for the capture of additional data about applicants. The revised application could also be used in the future should the individual decide to pursue licensure. Member Woodard suggested adding questions to the registration application to assist the Board in collecting data and to define applicant needs for the pathway to licensure. She asked if it would be in the Board's purview to create a regulation to extend the registration process to take the place of the Directive and ensure continuity of care for patients.

President Owens suggested all registrants complete the new registration form, alerting them that if the directive is rescinded, full licensure would be required. The notification should include a request that they make plans for care of their patients upon termination of the directive to include the steps for gaining licensure in Nevada. That communication should also encourage registrants to apply for PsyPact, if applicable.

7. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Consider Options for Temporary Licensure to Ensure Continuity of Care for Patients Being Seen by Out-Of-State Providers when the Provisions of Directive 011 Expire

This discussion was merged with Item 6, above.

8. (For Possible Action) Review, Discussion, and Possible Action on Pending Consumer Complaints:

Sophia Long, Senior Deputy Attorney General, provided an update on behalf of Harry Ward, Deputy Attorney General and the Board's legal counsel.

- A. Complaint #19-0626. This matter is still in discovery phase. The proposed hearing officers are being discussed, as is the location and date of the hearing.
- B. Complaint #19-0709. This matter is pending.
- C. Complaint #19-1106. A cease and desist was issued in this matter. It will be monitored for six more months. This matter is pending.
- D. Complaint #19-1223. This matter is pending.
- E. Complaint #20-0501. This matter is pending.
- F. Complaint #20-0818. This matter is pending.
- G. Complaint #20-0819. This matter is pending.

9. (For Possible Action) Review and Possible Action on Applications for Licensure as a Psychologist or Registration as a Psychological Assistant, Intern or Trainee. The Board May Convene in Closed Session to Receive Information Regarding Applicants, Which May Involve Considering the Character, Alleged Misconduct, Professional Competence or Physical or Mental Health of the Applicant (NRS 241.030). All Deliberation and Action Will Occur in an Open Session.

The following candidates were presented for approval of licensure contingent upon successful completion of licensure requirements: Adam Bradford, Billie Ivra, Laura LaPiana, Katharine Miller, Shehroo Pudumjee, Vincent Rodriguez, and La Tanya Takla.

Member Dr. Krogh recused himself from voting on candidate Adam Bradford.

On motion by Stephanie Holland, second by John Krogh, the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners approved the following candidates for licensure contingent upon successful completion of licensure requirements: Billie Ivra, Laura LaPiana, Katharine Miller, Shehroo Pudumjee, Vincent Rodriguez, and La Tanya Takla. (Yea: Whitney Owens, John Krogh, Stephanie Holland, Monique McCoy, Stephanie Woodard) Motion Carries: 5-0

On motion by Stephanie Holland, second by Monique McCoy, the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners approved Adam Bradford for licensure contingent upon successful completion of licensure requirements. (Yea: Whitney Owens, John Krogh, Stephanie Holland, Monique McCoy, Stephanie Woodard) Motion Carries: 5-0

- **Consideration of Nino Chkhaidze's Requirement to take EPPP Part-2**

Lisa Scurry, Executive Director, explained that applicant Nino Chkhaidze has asked for clarification as whether she must take and pass the EPPP Part-2 in order to be licensed in Nevada. Currently candidates who are licensed in another jurisdiction are not subject to the EPPP Part-2 and Dr. Chkhaidze is licensed in Virginia. However, licensure requirements in Virginia do not include post-doctoral training so she will need to register as a psychological assistant. Generally, psychological assistants must take the EPPP Part-2 as part of the licensure requirements.

President Owens stated that, as it is a licensure requirement, Dr. Chkhaidze would need to take the exam. She added, however, that she could support the opposite argument because she is licensed in another jurisdiction.

Member Dr. Krogh stated that as she had been practicing for more than three years, he felt the requirement should be waived.

Member Dr. Woodard suggested that additional information be sought prior to the Board making a decision to consider her experience. As the EPPP Part-2 is based on practice, she suggested the Board receive information as to any continuing education

Dr. Chkhaidze has obtained, the type of practice in which she has been working, and whether access to other licensed professionals was available.

The item will return at the next meeting.

A. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Bernadette Hinojos, Psy.D., For A One-Year Extension of Her Registration as a Psychological Assistant Through July 1, 2022, and a One-Year Extension of her Application for Licensure through October 1, 2022

(This item was taken out of order.)

Lisa Scurry, Executive Director, presented the following requests of Dr. Bernadette Hinojos. The Board was asked to consider approval of a new supervisor and Supervised Practice Plan (SPP), extension of her registration as a psychological assistant to allow time to complete the licensure requirements, and extension of her application for licensure. Ms. Scurry explained that the application for licensure had lapsed due to an error in the Board office when the application was received in 2019.

There was discussion about compensation and services to be provided. The submitted SPP did not accurately reflect a guaranteed pay/stipend amount. Dr. Hinojos was asked to correct the SPP and employment agreement and submit the new documents to the Board office.

It was recommended that the registration of Dr. Hinojos be extended through July 9, 2021, the date of the next meeting of the Board. In the interim, Dr. Hinojos will provide the Board office revised copies of the SPP and employment agreement for review by a Board member. The item will return on July 9 to consider the one-year extension of the registration and the application for licensure.

On motion by Monique McCoy, second by John Krogh, the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners approved the extension of the registration of Bernadette Hinojos as a psychological assistant through July 9, 2021, pending review of the new Supervised Practice Plan. (Yea: Whitney Owens, John Krogh, Stephanie Holland, Monique McCoy, Stephanie Woodard) Motion Carries: 5-0

B. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Jamie Wong, Ph.D. For A One-Year Extension of Her Registration as a Psychological Assistant Through July 1, 2022

Dr. Jamie Wong has requested an extension of her registration as a psychological assistant to allow time to take and pass the EPPP. The Board previously approved her study plan in August 2020.

There was discussion about the original start date of her registration as well as when Dr. Wong planned to take the exam.

Member Dr. Holland inquired as to what happens if Dr. Wong does not pass the exam. Ms. Scurry explained that per state law, she would have to wait 18 months to re-take the exam and would need to re-apply.

President Owens stated her concern that if Dr. Wong failed the exam, she could consider to work as a psychological assistant for up to a year. Ms. Scurry suggested that if she fails the exam, the item return to the Board for consideration.

On motion by Stephanie Holland, second by John Krogh, the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners approved the extension of the registration of Jamie Wong, Ph.D., as a psychological assistant until the results of the EPPP Part-1 are known. If she fails the exam a 4th time, consideration of the extension of the registration as a psychological assistant will return to the Board. (Yea: Whitney Owens, John Krogh, Stephanie Holland, Monique McCoy, Stephanie Woodard) Motion Carries: 5-0

C. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Application for Licensure of Leigh Lustig, Psy.D., as Recommended by the Application Tracking Equivalency and Mobility (ATEAM) Committee on May 25, 2021, and Contingent Upon the Satisfactory Completion of all Other Licensure Requirements

The Board's Application Tracking Equivalency and Mobility (ATEAM) Committee recommended approval of the application of Leigh Lustig at the May 25, 2021, meeting. Director Scurry explained that Dr. Lustig was from a state with equivalent licensure requirements and was found to meet the provisions of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 641.080 which allows for a reduced number of completed internship and post-doctoral training hours.

On motion by John Krogh, second by Stephanie Woodard, the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners approved the application for licensure of Leigh Lustig, Psy.D., contingent upon satisfactory completion of other licensure requirements, as recommended by the ATEAM Committee. (Yea: Whitney Owens, John Krogh, Stephanie Holland, Monique McCoy, Stephanie Woodard) Motion Carries: 5-0

10. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Create a Masters' Degree Level License

President Owens presented an update on past discussion on creation of a master's degree level license. She explained that the American Psychological Association (APA) is working on a model act. Two states have adopted a master's degree level license – Texas and Virginia.

There was brief discussion about the timeline for the development of the APA model, how such a license would be developed in Nevada to meet the needs of the state, etc.

11. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Create a Psychological Assistant (Post-Doctoral) License

There was no discussion on this item.

12. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Adopt Procedures Related to Registration and Supervision of Psychological Assistants in accordance with Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 641

Lisa Scurry, Executive Director, presented a draft procedure related to the registration and supervision of psychological assistants. She explained that the document was created using state law, regulations, and past practice of the Board. Sections of the procedure include the process for application and registration, supervision requirements, and renewal of registration.

It was decided that the Board would take the month to review the document and it would return for discussion and action at the July meeting.

13. Legislative Update

(This item was taken out of order.)

A. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action Related to the 2021 Session of the Nevada Legislature, Including Next Steps for Implementation of New and/or Revised Statutes

Neena Laxalt, Board Lobbyist, presented a final report of the activities of the 2021 Session of the Nevada Legislature.

Of the 21 bills that were tracked, 11 have been enrolled or are before the Governor for signature. The other 10 failed and were dismissed. Bills dealt with a variety of areas such as data collection related to providers, open meeting law provisions, and provisions specific to licensing and licensees.

B. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action on Assembly Bill 366 Which Clarifies the Purpose, Scope of Use, and Use of Audio and Video Recordings in Therapy and Assessment Training for Psychological Trainees, Psychological Interns, and Psychological Assistants.

The Board's bill, Assembly Bill 366, passed after some revision during Committee. The bill will allow for the destruction of audio / video recordings used for training and specific excludes such recordings from the definition of medical record. The revisions require additional informed consent provisions and language related to how recordings will be maintained and destroyed.

C. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action on Senate Bill 44 Related to Licensure by Endorsement.

Senate Bill 44 adds provisions related to data collection on applicants and licensees. Sections related to licensure by endorsement and licensure of those from the armed services were combined for clarity purposes.

The bill revised the licensure by endorsement provision to state that an applicant will be issued a license by endorsement not later than 45 days after the Board receives "all the additional information required by the Board to complete the application." President Owens asked the Board's legal counsel, Senior Deputy Attorney General Long, if "additional information" would include passage of the Nevada State Examination. The concern being that if the state exam was considered outside the definition of "additional information," an applicant could take up to two years to take the exam but have been issued the license under this provision.

SDAG Long agreed that the state exam, as a requirement for licensure would be considered "additional information."

14. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Update on Regulations Previously Submitted to the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) For Changes to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 641.

Lisa Scurry, Executive Director, provided a brief update on the status of proposed changes to Nevada Administrative Code. Regulations A through G are with the Legislative Counsel Bureau in various stages of the process. She explained that now that the Legislative session has concluded, the process should start moving forward again.

- A. R057-19: Fees
- B. R058-19: Endorsement Language
- C. R114-19: Foreign Graduates
- D. R115-19: Supervision, payment of psychological assistant, Closure of a Practice
- E. R173-20 (Previously R131-15): Requires those teaching or engaging in research to be licensed if providing supervision in a university setting.
- F. R174-20: Code of Conduct
- G. R175-20: Removal of "Moral"
- H. Language Related to Behavior Analysts (No Number Assigned)

15. (For Possible Action) Discussion of U.S. District Court Case 2:20-Cv-00651-Kjd-Vcf Where the State of Nevada Board Psychological Examiners is a Named Defendant.

Sophia Long, Senior Deputy Attorney General, provided an update on behalf of Harry Ward, Deputy Attorney General and the Board's legal counsel. The case is in the discovery phase and production of documents is occurring.

16. Recognition of Outgoing Board Member John H. Krogh, Ph.D.

Member Dr. John Krogh's term on the Board has ended after a four-years. The Board recognized and expressed their appreciation for his service and thoughtful consideration of items before the Board.

17. (For Possible Action) Schedule of Future Board Meetings, Hearings, and Workshops. The Board May Discuss and Decide Future Meeting Dates, Hearing Dates, and Workshop Dates

- A. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners is Friday, July 9, 2021, at 8:30 a.m.

There was no discussion nor suggested changes to the next meeting date or time.

18. Requests for Future Board Meeting Agenda Items (No Discussion Among the Members will Take Place on this Item)

There were no requests for future Board meeting items.

19. Public Comment

There was no public comment at this time.

20. (For Possible Action) Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, President Owens adjourned the meeting at 10:54 a.m.

	FY21 Budget	FY21 Actual	FY21 Difference as of 3/19/2021	% of actual to budget
RESERVE * not including Savings (as of app. July 1, 2020)	\$61,024.89	\$43,010.49		
INCOME				
Deferred Revenue (License Renewal)		\$322,233.77	\$322,233.77	
License Fees - Psychological				
Initial (4010, 40100, 40201, 40202, 40203)	\$350,000.00	\$49,841.55	-\$22,075.32	106.31%
Psych Assistants (40101, 40281)	\$7,500.00	\$5,177.10	\$2,322.90	69.03%
Psych Intern (40102, 40282)	\$5,000.00	\$2,463.49	\$2,536.51	49.27%
Trainee (40103, 40283)		\$2,284.82	\$2,284.82	
Non-Resident Consultant (4030)	\$2,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$800.00	60.00%
Total Licensing Fees	\$364,500.00	\$383,200.73	\$308,102.68	105.13%
State Examination (4015)	\$6,000.00	\$10,178.08	-\$4,178.08	169.63%
Cost Recovered (disciplinary - 4078)	\$1,000.00	\$750.00	\$250.00	75.00%
Mediation Review	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00%
Other Income		\$0.00	\$0.00	
Wall License (4025, 40251, 40252)	\$4,000.00	\$1,947.40	\$2,052.60	48.69%
Late Fees (4050)	\$2,400.00	\$200.00	\$2,200.00	8.33%
CE Fees (4040)	\$5,000.00	\$1,445.50	\$3,554.50	28.91%
Verification (4045)	\$700.00	\$347.64	\$352.36	49.66%
Misc (4999)	\$1,000.00	\$52.87	\$947.13	5.29%
Total Other Income	\$14,600.00	\$4,743.41	\$9,856.59	32.49%
TOTAL INCOME/RESERVE	\$385,100.00	\$398,122.22	\$313,781.19	103.38%

	FY21	FY21	FY21	% of actual to
	Budget	Actual	Difference as of	
EXPENSES				
Payroll				
Board Staff (Wages)	\$60,000.00	\$60,008.00	-\$8.00	100.01%
Investgators (51753)	\$21,600.00	\$8,325.00	\$13,275.00	38.54%
Employer Medicare	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	0.00%
Employer FICA (941/944)	\$2,250.00	\$636.88	\$1,613.12	28.31%
PERS (5300, Retirement)	\$24,000.00	\$34,970.26	-\$10,970.26	145.71%
Workers Comp (5250)	\$3,000.00	\$1,266.90	\$1,733.10	42.23%
Board Per Diem (5100)	\$13,000.00	\$9,450.00	\$3,550.00	72.69%
Other	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	0.00%
TOTAL PAYROLL	\$127,550.00	\$114,657.04	\$12,892.96	89.89%
Professional Services (Auditor, Lobbyist-8055, Bookkeeper-8050)	\$25,000.00	\$24,531.00	\$469.00	98.12%
Out of State Travel	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	0.00%
In State Travel (6200)	\$1,000.00	\$1,106.87	-\$106.87	110.69%
Office Expenses (shredding-85100, 7020-water, alarm)	\$5,000.00	\$479.95	\$4,520.05	9.60%
Postage (7100)	\$2,000.00	\$490.60	\$1,509.40	24.53%
Telephone & Internet (7290, 72901, 72902)	\$3,000.00	\$2,223.40	\$776.60	74.11%
Printing & Copying (7040)	\$750.00	\$1,046.31	-\$296.31	139.51%
Copy Lease (7500)	\$2,000.00	\$1,558.77	\$441.23	77.94%
Office Equipment	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%
Office Supplies (7015)	\$500.00	\$71.63	\$428.37	14.33%
Legal (8000, 8010)	\$40,000.00	\$29,309.10	\$10,690.90	73.27%
Tort Claim (8015)	\$3,000.00	\$769.32	\$2,230.68	25.64%
Rent (7050)	\$15,000.00	\$15,710.00	-\$710.00	104.73%
Bank Charges (9001, 9002, 9011)	\$200.00	\$7,515.97	-\$7,315.97	3757.99%
Web Services (307910, 7210)	\$4,200.00	\$1,559.66	\$2,640.34	37.13%
Database & Software (7770)	\$5,750.00	\$1,999.86	\$3,750.14	34.78%
Dues & Registration (8250, 8255)	\$5,000.00	\$2,946.00	\$2,054.00	58.92%
Miscellaneous	\$1,000.00	\$364.20	\$635.80	36.42%
Administrative Services (7111, 8500, 8520)	\$5,000.00	\$6,810.36	-\$1,810.36	136.21%

	FY21	FY21	FY21	% of
	Budget	Actual	Difference as of	actual to
Payroll Expenses	\$3,500.00	\$2,044.95	\$1,455.05	58.43%
Exam Administration	\$2,000.00	\$19.00	\$1,981.00	0.95%
Hospitality	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$128,400.00	\$100,556.95	\$27,843.05	78.32%
TOTAL ALL EXPENSES	\$255,950.00	\$215,213.99	\$40,736.01	84.08%
NET BALANCE	\$129,150.00	\$182,908.23	\$273,045.18	
Amount Rolled Over from FY20	\$61,024.89	\$43,010.49	\$43,010.49	
GRAND TOTAL	\$190,174.89	\$225,918.72	\$316,055.67	

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Balance Sheet As of July 2, 2021

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
1100 Cash in Bank	276,131.85
3309 Savings	104,962.42
Total Bank Accounts	\$381,094.27
Accounts Receivable	
1200 Accounts Receivable	0.00
Total Accounts Receivable	\$0.00
Other Current Assets	
1103 Prepaid Expenses	0.00
12000 Undeposited Funds	0.00
12100 Inventory Asset	0.00
Uncategorized Asset	-144.98
Total Other Current Assets	\$ -144.98
Total Current Assets	\$380,949.29
Other Assets	
1300 Deferred outflows of resources	94,485.33
Total Other Assets	\$94,485.33
TOTAL ASSETS	\$475,434.62

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Balance Sheet As of July 2, 2021

	TOTAL
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
1106 Accounts Payable	16,151.07
Total Accounts Payable	\$16,151.07
Other Current Liabilities	
2100 Federal Income Withholding	342.78
2100 Payroll Liabilities	-971.08
Federal Taxes (941/944)	0.00
NV Unemployment Tax	0.00
PERS	37,194.97
Total 2100 Payroll Liabilities	36,223.89
2101 Federal FICA Withholding	0.00
2102 Federal Medicare Withhold	0.00
2105 Employment Security	0.00
2110 Direct Deposit Liabilities	25,500.51
2200 Unearned Revenue	78,582.00
2450 Deferred inflow-pension	10,210.00
2455 Net pension liability	129,905.00
Deferred Revenue	324,024.25
Direct Deposit Payable	-23,407.10
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$581,381.33
Total Current Liabilities	\$597,532.40
Total Liabilities	\$597,532.40
Equity	
3000 Opening Bal Equity	-4,349.53
3900 2550 Fund Balance	-117,633.50
Net Income	-114.75
Total Equity	\$ -122,097.78
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$475,434.62

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General Ledger

July 1-2, 2021

DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	NAME	MEMO/DESCRIPTION	SPLIT	AMOUNT	BALANCE
3309 Savings							
	Beginning						104,962.42
	Balance						
Total for 3309 Savings							
1100 Cash in Bank							
	Beginning						276,131.85
	Balance						
Total for 1100 Cash in Bank							
Uncategorized Asset							
	Beginning						-144.98
	Balance						
Total for Uncategorized Asset							
1300 Deferred outflows of resources							
	Beginning						94,485.33
	Balance						
Total for 1300 Deferred outflows of resources							
1106 Accounts Payable							
	Beginning						16,036.32
	Balance						
07/01/2021	Bill		Information Technology	7200 Utilities:7290 Telephone:72901 Long Distance		4.08	16,040.40
07/01/2021	Bill		Information Technology	7200 Utilities:7210 Dolt Web SV		110.67	16,151.07
Total for 1106 Accounts Payable							\$114.75
2100 Payroll Liabilities							
	Beginning						-971.08
	Balance						
Total for 2100 Payroll Liabilities							
PERS							
	Beginning						37,194.97
	Balance						
Total for PERS							
Total for 2100 Payroll Liabilities with subs							
2110 Direct Deposit Liabilities							
	Beginning						25,500.51
	Balance						
Total for 2110 Direct Deposit Liabilities							
2450 Deferred inflow-pension							
	Beginning						10,210.00
	Balance						
Total for 2450 Deferred inflow-pension							
2455 Net pension liability							
	Beginning						129,905.00
	Balance						
Total for 2455 Net pension liability							
2100 Federal Income Withholding							
	Beginning						342.78
	Balance						
Total for 2100 Federal Income Withholding							
2200 Unearned Revenue							
	Beginning						78,582.00

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General Ledger

July 1-2, 2021

DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	NAME	MEMO/DESCRIPTION	SPLIT	AMOUNT	BALANCE
Balance							
Total for 2200 Unearned Revenue							
Deferred Revenue							
	Beginning						324,024.25
	Balance						
Total for Deferred Revenue							
Direct Deposit Payable							
	Beginning						-23,407.10
	Balance						
Total for Direct Deposit Payable							
3000 Opening Bal Equity							
	Beginning						-4,349.53
	Balance						
Total for 3000 Opening Bal Equity							
3900 2550 Fund Balance							
	Beginning						-
	Balance						117,633.50
Total for 3900 2550 Fund Balance							
7200 Utilities							
	7210 Dolt Web SV						
07/01/2021	Bill		Information Technology	Invoice 346756	1106 Accounts Payable	110.67	110.67
Total for 7210 Dolt Web SV						\$110.67	
7290 Telephone							
	72901 Long Distance						
07/01/2021	Bill		Information Technology	Invoice 346607	1106 Accounts Payable	4.08	4.08
Total for 72901 Long Distance						\$4.08	
Total for 7290 Telephone						\$4.08	
Total for 7200 Utilities						\$114.75	

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Profit and Loss

July 1, 2020 - July 2, 2021

	TOTAL
Income	
4010 Psychologist Application	305.10
40100 Psychologist Application	17,733.90
40101 PA Application	3,377.10
40102 Intern Application	2,166.30
40103 Trainee Application	2,136.30
Total 4010 Psychologist Application	25,718.70
4015 Psychologist State Exam	10,178.08
4020 Psych Biennial	
40201 Prorated Psych Biennial	24,001.55
40202 Inactive Psych Biennial	7,301.00
40203 Reinstatement of Psych	500.00
Total 4020 Psych Biennial	31,802.55
4025 Psychologist Licensing Fee	426.05
40251 New License	1,314.55
40252 Change/Duplicate/Reinstatement	206.80
Total 4025 Psychologist Licensing Fee	1,947.40
4028 Registration Fee	
40281 Psych Asst fee	1,800.00
40282 Psych Intern Fee	297.19
40283 Psych Trainee	148.52
Total 4028 Registration Fee	2,245.71
4030 Non-Resident Consultant	1,200.00
4040 CE App Fee	1,445.50
4045 Verification of Licensure	347.64
4050 Renewal Late Fee	200.00
4078 Legal Fines recovered	750.00
4999 Interest	52.87
Total Income	\$75,888.45
GROSS PROFIT	\$75,888.45
Expenses	
307910 7210 Dolt Web SVb	423.58
5100	450.00
5100 Board Sal	9,000.00
5175 Board Staf	
51753 Investigator Salary	8,325.00
Total 5175 Board Staf	8,325.00
5250 Workers Compensation	1,266.90

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July 1, 2020 - July 2, 2021

	TOTAL
5300 PERS	17,241.93
6200 In State Travel	789.92
6250 Air Tvl	316.95
Total 6200 In State Travel	1,106.87
7015 Supplies	35.91
70151 Supplies FG/SE	35.72
Total 7015 Supplies	71.63
7020 Office Expense	257.95
7040 Print-Copy	1,046.31
7050 Rent	15,710.00
85100 Shredding	222.00
Total 7020 Office Expense	17,236.26
7100 Postage	490.60
7111 Property & Contents Insur	4.53
7200 Utilities	
7210 Dolt Web SV	1,136.08
7290 Telephone	787.79
72901 Long Distance	294.01
72902 Internet	1,141.60
Total 7290 Telephone	2,223.40
Total 7200 Utilities	3,359.48
7500 Copy Lease	1,558.77
7770 Software	1,734.86
7777 Database	265.00
8000 Legal & Professional Fees	1,651.66
8010 Legal	27,657.44
8015 Tort Claim	769.32
Total 8000 Legal & Professional Fees	30,078.42
8050 Prof Servs	12,030.00
8055 Lobbyist	12,501.00
Total 8050 Prof Servs	24,531.00
8100 Exam Administration	19.00
8250 Dues & Reg	970.00
8255 Membership	1,976.00
Total 8250 Dues & Reg	2,946.00
8500 Admin Serv	5,316.12
8520 LCB	1,489.71
Total 8500 Admin Serv	6,805.83

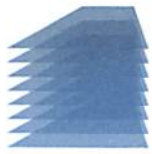
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July 1, 2020 - July 2, 2021

	TOTAL
9001 Banking Fees	5,329.03
9002 Bank Crgs	1,511.01
9011 Fees Coll	675.93
Total 9001 Banking Fees	7,515.97
90100 Miscellaneous Expense	310.20
Payroll Expenses	2,044.95
Company Contributions	
Retirement	17,552.34
Total Company Contributions	17,552.34
Taxes	
Federal Taxes (941/944)	636.86
NV Unemployment Tax	0.00
Total Taxes	636.86
Wages	60,008.00
Total Payroll Expenses	80,242.15
PERS	175.99
Total Expenses	\$215,159.97
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$ -139,271.52
Other Income	
3390 Refund	0.00
Total Other Income	\$0.00
Other Expenses	
Reconciliation Discrepancies-1	54.00
Total Other Expenses	\$54.00
NET OTHER INCOME	\$ -54.00
NET INCOME	\$ -139,325.52



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June 30, 2021

Lisa Scurry, Executive Director
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We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the services we are to provide for Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners (the Board) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. We will audit the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the general fund, and the aggregate discretely presented component unit and remaining fund information, including the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. Accounting standards generally accepted in the United States of America provide for certain required supplementary information (RSI), such as management's discussion and analysis (MD&A), to supplement Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiner's basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of the financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. As part of our engagement, we will apply certain limited procedures to Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiner's RSI in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United State of America. These limited procedures will consist of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained using our audit of the basic financial statements. We will not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance. The following RSI is required by generally accepted accounting principles and will be subjected to certain limited procedures but will not be audited.

1) Management's Discussion and Analysis

Audit Objective

The objective of our audit is the expression of an opinion about whether your financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and to report on the fairness of the required supplementary information (RSI) when considered in relation to the financial statements as a whole. Our audit will be conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and will include tests of your accounting records and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such an opinion. We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiner's financial statements. Our report will be addressed to the Board of Directors of the Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners. We cannot provide assurance that an unmodified opinion will be expressed. Circumstances may arise in which it is necessary for us to modify our opinion or add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph. If our opinion is other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If, for any reason, we are unable to complete the audit or are unable to form or have not formed an opinion, we may decline to express an opinion or withdraw from this engagement.

Audit Procedures - General

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; therefore, our audit will involve judgment about the number of transactions to be examined and the areas to be tested. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We will plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the Board or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the Board.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, combined with the inherent limitations of internal control, and because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is a risk that material misstatements may exist and not be detected by us, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management of any material errors, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that comes to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential. Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

Our procedures will include tests of documentary evidence supporting the transactions recorded in the accounts, and may include the direct confirmation of certain assets and liabilities by correspondence with selected individuals, funding sources, creditors, and financial institutions. We will request written representations from your attorneys as part of the engagement, and they may bill you for responding to this inquiry. At the conclusion of our audit, we will require certain written representations from you about the financial statements and related matters.

Audit Procedures – Internal Control

Our audit will include obtaining an understanding of the Board and its environment, including internal control, sufficient to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and to design the nature, timing, and extent of further audit procedures. An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify deficiencies in internal control. Accordingly, we will express no such opinion. However, during the audit, we will communicate to you and those charged with governance internal control related matters that are required to be communicated under AICPA professional standards.

Audit Procedures – Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of the Board's compliance with the provisions of applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and agreements. However, the objective of our audit will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion.

Other Services

We will prepare the financial statements of Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles based on information provided by you. We will perform this service in accordance with applicable professional standards. The other services are limited to the financial statement services previously defined. We, in our sole professional judgement, reserve the right to refuse to perform any procedure or take any action that could be construed as assuming management responsibilities.

Management Responsibilities

Management is responsible for designing, implementing, and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, including monitoring ongoing activities; for the selection and application of accounting principles; and for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Management is also responsible for making all financial records and related information available to us and for the accuracy and completeness of that information. You are also responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, including identification of all related parties and all related-party relationships and transactions, (2) additional information that we may request for the purpose of the audit, and (3) unrestricted access to persons within the Board from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

Your responsibilities include adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

You are responsible for the design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud, and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the Board involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the Board received in communications from employees, former employees, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for identifying and ensuring that the Board complies with applicable laws and regulations.

You are responsible for the preparation of the supplementary information in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. You agree to include our report on the supplementary information in any document that contains and indicates that we have reported on the supplementary information. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the supplementary information that includes our report thereon. Your responsibilities include acknowledging to us in the representation letter that (1) you are responsible for presentation of the supplementary information in accordance with GAAP; (2) you believe the supplementary information, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with GAAP; (3) the methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period (or if they have changed, the reasons for such changes); and (4) you have disclosed to us any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement or presentation of the supplementary information.

You agree to assume all management responsibilities for the financial statement preparation services we provide; oversee the services by designating an individual, preferably from senior management, with suitable skill, knowledge, or experience; evaluate the adequacy and results of the services; and accept responsibility for them.

Engagement Administration, Fees, and Other

We understand that your employees will prepare all cash, accounts receivable, and other confirmations we request and will locate any documents selected by us for testing.


Lisa Jones is the engagement partner and is responsible for supervising the engagement and signing the report or authorizing another individual to sign it.

Our fee for these services is based on our standard hourly rates and will be \$10,000. The fee estimate is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and the assumption that unexpected circumstances will not be encountered during the engagement. If significant additional time is necessary, we will keep you informed of any problems we encounter and our fees will be adjusted accordingly. Our retainer invoice in the amount

of \$3,000 is attached. Invoices will be rendered each month as work progresses and are payable on presentation. Our fee does not include out-of-pocket costs (such as cash confirmation fees) which will be billed separately from our audit fee.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service to the Board and believe this letter accurately summarizes the significant terms of our engagement. If you have any questions, please let us know. If you agree with the terms of our engagement as described in this letter, please sign it and return a copy to us.

Very truly yours,


Campbell Jones Cohen CPAs

RESPONSE:

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners.

Management signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

6. Board Needs and Operations

6C. Report from the Executive Director on Board Office Operations

1. Office Stats, through July 6, 2021

Psychologist	LICENSES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April: 6 • May: 8 • June: 8 • July: 3 	APPLICATIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April: 9 • May: 10 • June: 9 • July: 1
Psychological Assistants	REGISTRATIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April: 2 • May: 0 • June: 2 • July: 0 	APPLICATIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April: 5 • May: 2 • June: 2 • July: 0
Psychological Interns	REGISTRATIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April: 0 • May: 1 • June: 0 • July: 0 	APPLICATIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April: 3 • May: 0 • June: 0 • July: 0
Psychological Trainees	REGISTRATIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April: 1 • May: 0 • June: 2 • July: 1 	APPLICATIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April: 0 • May: 1 • June: 3 • July: 0
Non-Resident Consultants	REGISTRATIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April: 4 • May: 2 • June: 1 • July: 0 (2 pending) 	
Directive 011	TEMPORARY REGISTRATIONS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOTAL - 369 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April: 20 • May: 13 • June: 12 • July: 2 	

Background Checks Reviewed	There have been no new background check reviews since May
Continuing Education	In 2021, 41 continuing education applications have been reviewed and approved <ul style="list-style-type: none">• April: 4• May: 3• June: 6• July: 1
State Exams	Since March, 43 attempts have been proctored. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• April: 24• May: 5• June: 10• July: 2



A Proclamation by the Governor

WHEREAS, Juneteenth National Freedom Day continues to be the most recognized African American holiday observance in the United States and commemorates the first day of the celebration of freedom in America for all Americans, and the last known celebration for the ending of slavery; and

WHEREAS, on June 19, 1862, the United States Congress abolished slavery in the Federal territories pursuant to the provisions of Chapter CXI-An Act to secure Freedom to all Persons within the Territories of the United States now existing, or which may at any time hereafter be formed or acquired by the United States; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth also commemorates June 19, 1865 the day freedom was proclaimed to those enslaved in the south by issuance of General Order #3, in Galveston, Texas and the arrival in Galveston of the United States Colored Troops 25th Corps, in route as a show of force on the Texas border from a French incursion as they were led to deliver the news of freedom; and

WHEREAS, on June 14, 1866, slavery legally ended in all of America, the Oklahoma Territory, and the Federal Territories pursuant to four major treaties that were negotiated and formally signed - one treaty with the Cherokee, the Creek and the Seminole, and a combined treaty with the Chickasaw and Choctaw Nations; and

WHEREAS, Americans of all colors, creeds, cultures, religions and countries-of-origin share in a common love of and respect for "freedom," as well as a mutual determination to protect the right to freedom through democratic institutions established by the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments to the Constitution and these "tenets-of-freedom" were appropriated but not applied fairly to all Americans as a whole, however, the celebration of Juneteenth continued regardless; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth exemplifies the spirit of freedom for all, especially for those who, while making inventive, scientific, musical and medicinal contributions to America and the world; while serving in every one of America's wars and conflicts, from the revolutionary war forward; and while exemplifying courage, patriotism and exhibiting patience with grace, did so in the face and in spite of draconian laws and severe inequality;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVE SISOLAK, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim the day of June 19, 2021, as

JUNETEENTH NATIONAL FREEDOM DAY



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 24th day of May 2021

By the Governor,  Governor
Barbara K. Legrande
By  Secretary of State
Mark A. Wacker Deputy

6E. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to consider a change to the Board Office Hours

Current Office Hours

Monday – Thursday: 8 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
 Closed for lunch from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Friday: 8 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
 Closed for all state holidays

Proposed Change to Hours

	Office Hours	Walk-In Hours
Monday – Thursday	8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
	Closed for lunch from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	
Friday	8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Closed for all state holidays

Outside of the posted hours, walk-in visits are available by appointment

Code # / Origin	Date Complaint Received	Investigator	Current Status	Complaint	Timeline	Comments
19-0626 Public	6/26/2019	SY	Forwarded to DAG	Inappropriate Conduct	6/26/2019	Received complaint
					6/26/2019	Forwarded to DAG and Investigator for further guidance. Additional investigation conducted prior to notifying Psychologist
					8/12/2019	Psychologist notified
					10/8/2019	Response received/Forwarded to Investigator
					11/8/2019	Report presented to Board; unable to vote due to recusals
					12/13/2019	Report presented to Board; forwarded to AG
					8/20/2020	Likely going to hearing at end of year
					12/17/2020	DAG will send notice to Respondent attorney to schedule a hearing.
19-0709 Public	7/9/2019	SY	Forwarded to DAG	Unethical Behavior	7/9/2019	Complaint Received
					7/9/2019	Forwarded to DAG and Investigator for further guidance. Additional investigation conducted prior to notifying Psychologist
					8/12/2019	Psychologist notified
					8/28/2019	Response received
					8/28/2019	Complaint Sent to Investigator
					11/8/2019	Report presented to Board. Voted to forward to AG
					11/13/2019	Pending New AG assigned
					8/20/2020	Likely going to hearing at end of year
12/17/2020	DAG will send correspondence related to a lack of response by Respondent. Board Office provide last known mailing and email address from renewal					

Code # / Origin	Date Complaint Received	Investigator	Current Status	Complaint	Timeline	Comments
19-1106 Public	11/6/2019	GL	Forwarded to DAG	Unlicensed activity	11/6/2019	Received complaint
					11/8/2019	Verified with DAG that new review policy in place
					11/14/2019	Forwarded to GL for initial review
					11/15/2019	Received request for further information from investigator for complainant.
					11/20/2019	Requested redacted report from complainant
					1/23/2020	Board voted to forward complaint to DAG
					5/6/2020	DAG is in process of and will send out a Cease & Desist letter in near future. Also, case referred to AG's investigators for possible Insurance Fraud.
					12/17/2020	Investigator recommends DAG send Cease and Dissist letter; then monitor activity
					1/8/2021	Cease and Desist Letter sent to Respondent from DAG; copy provided to Board members
19-1223 Public	12/23/2019	SY	Pending receipt of Respondent's answer	Dual relationship	12/23/2019	Received complaint
					1/14/2020	Forwarded to SY for initial review
					1/15/2020	Requested response from psychologist
					2/11/2020	Respondents attorney requested additional time to respond
					8/20/2020	Pending
					11/13/2020	Bd Meeting - Flag renewal due to lack of response to communication
					11/16/2020	License is "expired" due to non-renewal. As of 3/1/2019 should have been made "suspended"
20-0501 Public	5/1/2020	SY	Pending receipt of insurance report	Unprofessional Conduct	5/1/2020	Received complaint. Forwarded to investigator.
					5/26/2020	Response received from Respondent
					6/2/2020	Insurance Report requested of Complainant
					6/12/2020	Received requested information from Complainant
					6/25/2020	Follow-request to Complainant for final insurance investigation report
					11/16/2020	insurance company will be subpoenaed
20-0818 Public	8/18/2020	SY	Review of Complaint by Investigator	Unprofessional Conduct; HIPPA violation	8/18/2020	Received complaint; Forwarded to investigator
					8/18/2020	Contacted Complainant with records release

Code # / Origin	Date Complaint Received	Investigator	Current Status	Complaint	Timeline	Comments
20-0819 Public	8/19/2020	SY	Review of Complaint by Investigator	Unprofessional or Unethical Conduct	8/19/2020	Received complaint. Forwarded to investigator
					8/19/2020	Request for formal complaint form with signature sent to Complainant
21-0513 Public	5/13/2021	SY	Review of Complaint by Investigator	Unprofessional or Unethical Conduct	5/13/2021	Received complaint; Forwarded to investigator
					6/22/2021	Received additional documentation from Complainant; Pending additional documentation
21-0524 Public	5/24/2021	SY	Review of Complaint by Investigator	Unprofessional or Unethical Conduct	5/24/2021	Received complaint. Forwarded to investigator
					7/2/2021	Received release; Notified Respondent

12. (For Possible Action) Discussion and Possible Action to Create a Masters' Degree Level License

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Licensed Psychological Associate

Only a master's degree in psychology is required to become an associate, but the applicant must pass the EPPP and the Texas Jurisprudence Exam. In addition, the applicant must have at least six semester credit hours of supervised practicum experience or an internship.

As a licensed psychological associate, the candidate can also apply for independent practice once they have obtained 3,000 hours of post-graduate supervised experience (within a 24-48-month period).

The requirements for obtaining licensure as a psychologist are set forth in 22 TAC 463.10. Generally, these requirements include:

- a graduate degree in psychology, consisting of at least sixty (60) semester credit hours, with no more than twelve (12) hours of practicum, internship, or structured experience counted toward the total degree hour requirement. NOTE: A graduate degree consisting of 42 semester credit hours, with at least 27 hours in psychology will be accepted for licensure purposes through August 31, 2021, so long as the applicant began his or her graduate program leading to the degree before August 31, 2019;
- Six (6) semester credit hours of practicum, internship, or other structured experience within the graduate degree program, while under the supervision of a licensed psychologist;
- passage of the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology; and
- passage of the Jurisprudence Examination.

The following are requirements for independent practice authority for licensed psychological associates:

- A minimum of 3,000 hours of post-graduate degree supervised experience obtained within 24-48 consecutive months, and in not more than three placements; and
- Application for independent practice authority to the Board.

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Licensed Clinical Psychologist

"Practice of clinical psychology" includes, but is not limited to:

1. "Testing and measuring" which consists of the psychological evaluation or assessment of personal characteristics such as intelligence, abilities, interests, aptitudes, achievements, motives, personality dynamics, psychoeducational processes, neuropsychological functioning, or other psychological attributes of individuals or groups.
2. "Diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional disorders" which consists of the appropriate diagnosis of mental disorders according to standards of the profession and the ordering or providing of treatments according to need. Treatment includes providing counseling, psychotherapy, marital/family therapy, group therapy, behavior therapy, psychoanalysis, hypnosis, biofeedback, and other psychological interventions with the objective of modification of perception, adjustment, attitudes, feelings, values, self-concept, personality or personal goals, the treatment of alcoholism and substance abuse, disorders of habit or conduct, as well as of the psychological aspects of physical illness, pain, injury or disability.
3. "Psychological consulting" which consists of interpreting or reporting on scientific theory or research in psychology, rendering expert psychological or clinical psychological opinion, evaluation, or engaging in applied psychological research, program or organizational development, administration, supervision or evaluation of psychological services.

Requirements for clinical psychologists


1. an applicant shall either hold a doctorate from an accredited program or shall hold a doctorate from a professional psychology program that documents that the program offers education and training that prepares individuals for the practice of clinical psychology...
2. Candidates for clinical psychologist licensure shall have successfully completed an internship in a program that is either accredited by APA or CPA, or is a member of APPIC, or the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards/National Register of Health Service Psychologists, or one that meets equivalent standards.

Licensed Applied Psychologists

"Practice of applied psychology" means application of the principles and methods of psychology to improvement of organizational function, personnel selection and evaluation, program planning and implementation, individual motivation, development and behavioral adjustment, as well as consultation on teaching and research.

Education requirements for applied psychologists.

1. applicant shall hold a doctorate from a professional psychology program from a regionally accredited university

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**Information Regarding Differences in Training and
Education of Licensed Psychological Associates (LPA)
vs. Licensed Psychologists (LP)**

This information is meant to provide the reader with a general overview of the aspects of training that are, for the most part, common to master's, specialist, and doctoral level training. This information will also highlight the distinctions between the three types of training, which are typically based on quantity, discipline, or population trained.

Commonalities in Training

Those who obtain master's, specialist, and doctoral training develop a biopsychosocial understanding of processes involved in human learning, development, behavior, and adaptive and maladaptive psychological functioning in at least one population of emphasis. For example, all three forms of training involve learning about biological bases of behavior. They obtain knowledge, skills, and competence in the practice of personality assessment and intellectual assessment (may be child, adult, or both). Training also involves acquiring knowledge regarding research and statistical methods as applied in the development of the psychological knowledge base and focuses on learning about ethics and the law relevant to the practice of psychology. Lastly, all three levels of training involve multiple semesters of practicum experiences supervised by licensed psychologists.

Differences in Training

Master's Training

In addition to the knowledge and competencies common to all three types of training, master's training typically includes aspects not included in specialist training (which is specific to the practice of school psychology). The following description is based on what a master's program should contain in order to produce competent, independently practicing LPAs. This education and training typically requires students to complete at least 60 semester-hours (2-3 years full-time) of coursework and practicum/internship experiences. As part of their curriculum, trainees develop academic and applied knowledge regarding psychological assessment, an understanding of theories underlying the major (current and historical) approaches to psychotherapy, and applied training in individual and group approaches to psychotherapy. Students should receive in depth exposure to a variety of behavioral and cognitive/behavioral approaches to clinical intervention that have substantial empirical support. Master's training also involves the development of knowledge and skills regarding culturally informed, culturally sensitive practices regarding provision of psychological services. Trainees also obtain academic and applied knowledge of ethics and the law relevant to the practice of psychology. In a master's program, trainees learn about research methodologies, of theories of probability and the applications of inferential statistics at a level necessary to evaluate the quality and credibility of empirical psychological research. Master's training also includes applied skill development in assessment and psychotherapy with children and/or adults, including at least two semesters of supervised clinical practice under the direct supervision of program faculty (psychologists) followed by a 500-clock-hour external practicum, during which they practice and receive supervision at a site in the community. After graduating from a master's program, those seeking to become licensed for independent practice must also obtain additional post-graduation supervised practice experiences from licensed supervisors.

This document, when provided to patients or clients as part of the informed consent process, meets the requirements of 22 TAC 463.8(f).

Doctoral Training

Doctoral training in psychology typically consists of 110-125 hours of course work and practicum experiences over the course of 5-7 years of full-time training. This training typically includes all of the elements involved in master's training with some additions. A primary distinction is that doctoral trainees often receive additional training in the knowledge and skills necessary to conduct empirical research. That typically includes additional training in more advanced methods of statistical inference, philosophy of science, psychometrics (e.g., scale development and validation), and the production of original empirical research (typically anchored by theses and dissertations).

Doctoral training also typically includes several additional semesters for courses (e.g., advanced social and cognitive psychology) and practica, and a full year of full-time (2000 hours) practice "internship" in the community as a culminating clinical experience. The internship year and additional coursework requirements in doctoral programs provide opportunities for trainees to work with a broader range of clients, to develop greater breadth of knowledge and skills, or to begin to specialize in particular areas of practice. Doctoral training may or may not include significant experience administering, scoring, and interpreting neuropsychological assessments, although typically, licensed psychologists specializing in neuropsychology have completed additional post-doctoral training that most LPs have not. After graduating from a doctoral program, those seeking to become licensed obtain additional post-graduation supervised practice experiences from licensed psychologists.

Specialist Training

The specialist distinction is particular to the practice of school psychology. Thus, an individual who completes graduate training in school psychology (typically 2-3 years of full-time training) who seeks to practice in schools will seek out licensure as a licensed specialist in school psychology (LSSP) in Texas. Specialist training includes all elements under "Commonalities in Training" with a few additions and distinctions. Primarily, specialist training focuses on preparing specialists to provide school psychology services in schools (primary through secondary). Specialists apply their training in learning, behavior, and mental health to help children and youth succeed academically, socially, behaviorally, and emotionally. LSSPs collaborate with families, teachers, school administrators, and other professionals to foster beneficial learning environments. Specialist training and practice includes an emphasis in testing (e.g., cognitive, academic achievement, socio-emotional and behavioral) with respect to identifying learning or other psychosocial difficulties to facilitate placement into appropriate compensatory school-based interventions. Thus, school psychology training includes population-specific focus on personality and intellectual assessment, behavioral intervention regarding mental health issues of childhood, school psychology practice and consultation in school settings, and student diversity in learning. Specialist training does not emphasize the provision of ongoing psychotherapy in the way that a master's program training individuals for eventual LPA licensure would. Specialist training typically includes half-time practica in the 2nd year and full-time internships in schools in the 3rd year of training as culminating practice experiences.



**POLICY OF THE NEVADA STATE
BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS
Psychological Assistant (Post-Doctoral)
Application and Registration Procedures**

Purpose

The Nevada State Board of Psychological Examiners ("Board") has established this policy, and any accompanying forms and procedures, to establish the process for application and registration as a psychological assistant.

Procedure

1. General

- a. A person who wishes to obtain any postdoctoral supervised experience that is required for licensure as a psychologist must register with the Board as a psychological assistant. (NRS 641.226)
 - i. A person who has obtained the required amount of postdoctoral supervised experience in the District of Columbia or another state or territory of the United States, but has not completed the other requirements for licensure as a psychologist, must register as a psychological assistant. A psychological assistant may not renew his or her registration if it would cause the psychological assistant to be registered as a psychological assistant for more than 2 years unless otherwise approved by the Board.
- b. Eligible candidates must register as a psychological assistant under the license of a Nevada psychologist who will serve as the primary supervisor. Psychological services may not be provided by a psychological assistant unless they are supervised and registered properly.
- c. Candidates are encouraged to apply for registration once all requirements for the doctoral degree have been met and a supervisor found. Registration shall take a minimum of two weeks to complete and may take eight weeks or more.
- d. It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure all provisions of Nevada state laws and regulations, as well as this policy, have been met prior to providing psychological services and accruing training hours. The Board may allow a 90-day grace period to complete the PLUS document to allow for the accrual of training hours if all other registration requirements have been met.

2. Application.

- a. The application for registration as a psychological assistant may be submitted online or in hard copy submitted by mail or in person. The application must be accompanied by the application fee of \$150.

- b. The application for initial registration is not considered complete, and the psychological assistant shall not be able to work, until the Board receives information and/or documents that include, but are not limited to:
- i. Verification of fingerprinting;
 - ii. Registration fee (\$150) for the initial registration of a psychological assistant. The registration fee is separate from the application fee;
 - iii. Completed Psychology Licensure Universal System (PLUS) document;
 - iv. Supervised Practice Plan (SPP);
 - v. Employment Agreement; and
 - vi. Any other documents or information the Board deems necessary to make a determination of eligibility for registration. This may include, but is not limited to, educational transcripts, course guides, and/or course syllabi.

3. Registration Packet.

- a. PLUS Document. The Board shall verify the educational program, internship, and professional references through PLUS, administered by the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB). Any costs associated with the use of PLUS are the responsibility of the applicant.
- b. Background Check / Fingerprinting. In accordance with Nevada state law (NRS 641.226), all applicants are required to pass a criminal background check.
 - i. Fingerprints shall be taken at an approved location and at the candidate's own expense.
 1. Fingerprints taken in Nevada are generally submitted electronically to the Nevada Department of Public Safety (NDPS) by the agency taking the fingerprints.
 2. Applicants having their fingerprints taken outside of Nevada will be provided a fingerprint card and are responsible for submitting the fingerprint card and fee to the NDPS.
 - ii. A fingerprinting waiver (provided by the Board Office) and proof that the fingerprints were sent to the Nevada Department of Public Safety (NDPS) must be submitted to the Board office before registration will be completed. Without proof of fingerprinting, registration cannot be completed until the final background check report has been received by the Board office. Such reports generally take 4-8 weeks.
 - iii. A background check that reflects a finding of an arrest, conviction, or registration on the sexual offender's registry shall be reviewed by the

- Board's background check review team, in accordance with established procedures.
- c. Supervised Practice Plan (SPP). The SPP shall document acknowledgement by the supervisee and supervisor of training requirements.
 - d. Employment Agreement (641.153).
 - i. An employment agreement is required to ensure appropriate standards are in place for the supervision of the candidate, that the supervisor is qualified, and that the supervisor and candidate have agreed to terms relating to salary, supervision, and workload.
 - ii. An employment agreement must acknowledge that such employment complies with regulations adopted by the Board relating to the practice of psychological assistants
 - iii. A psychological assistant is entitled to be paid a fixed wage on a periodic basis and may not be paid based on the number of clients treated or assessed, the amount of money reimbursed by an insurance plan, or a percentage of the fees received. A psychological assistant may not receive fees for professional services except as the agent of the employing supervisor or agency.
4. Review by the Application Tracking Equivalency and Mobility (ATEAM) Committee. If necessary, an application may be referred to the Board's ATEAM Committee prior to approving registration. Such referral shall be necessary when an applicant has attended an educational program that has not been accredited by the American Psychological Association (APA). The Committee shall review for equivalency with APA accreditation and in accordance with Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 641.080.
5. Supervision
- a. A psychological assistant shall be employed by the supervisor. If not, the supervisee must be subject to the control and direction of a supervisor who is affiliated with the same agency or institution at which the supervisee works. Evidence of the supervisor's contractual relationship with the facility must be submitted to the Board.
 - b. A supervisor shall:
 - i. Employ methods of proper and diligent oversight of a psychological assistant who is under his/her/their supervision to meet his/her/their ethical and legal responsibilities. Such methods must include the implementation of policies and procedures that ensure the accessibility of the supervisor to the psychological assistant commensurate with the professional developmental level of the psychological assistant.

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- ii. Maintain primary responsibility for the **care treatment** plan of each client and patient treated or assessed by the psychological assistant.
 - iii. Review and sign all clinical documentation, including, but not limited to, reports, treatment plans and progress notes, for all services provided by the psychological assistant, including, but not limited to, those services for which reimbursement will be sought under the State Plan for Medicaid.
 - iv. Be available to the psychological assistant while the psychological assistant is providing services to a client or patient. A supervisor shall arrange for the availability of another appropriate licensed medical or behavioral health provider to be on site in the case of the absence of the supervisor.
 - v. Provide a full-time psychological assistant with at least 1 hour of face-to-face individual supervision each week or a proportional level of supervision for a part-time psychological assistant.
- c. Qualifications. The primary supervisor of a psychological assistant must:
 - i. have been licensed by the Board for at least three (3) years. Any exception must be approved by the Board.
 - ii. Had training in clinical supervisor (e.g., continuing education courses, independent study, formal coursework).
 - d. The Board does not preapprove supervisors and does not assist with finding a supervisor for a candidate.
 - e. Change of supervision. Any change of supervisor must be approved by the Board and a new SPP and employment agreement submitted.
6. Expiration or Withdrawal of Application
 - a. **Application as a psychological assistant is valid for two years.**
 - b. An application for registration as a psychological assistant shall be deemed withdrawn and all fees forfeited if registration is not completed within 2 years after the date on which the Board first received the application materials.
 - c. If an application is deemed withdrawn, the applicant may reapply and must pay any application fees in effect at the time of the reapplication.
 7. Expiration and/or Renewal of Application/Registration
 - a. **Once registered as a psychological assistant, registration is valid for one year after the date of registration.**
 - b. **To renew for a second year of registration, the psychological assistant shall submit a request, in writing, to the Board office. The request must include confirmation that the supervisor of record, supervised practice plan, and employment agreement will not change. Requests for a second year of**

- registration shall be processed by the Board Office but may be referred to the Board at the Executive Director's discretion.
- i. Any change to the supervisor, supervised practice plan, and/or employment agreement shall require approval of the Board.
- c. To renew for a third year of registration, the psychological assistant shall submit a request, in writing, to the Board office.
 - i. Requests for a third year of registration shall be processed by the Board Office but may be referred to the Board for approval at the Executive Director's discretion.
 - ii. Any change to the supervisor, supervised practice plan, and/or employment agreement shall require approval of the Board.
 - d. Where renewal would result in the candidate being registered for more than three years, approval of the Board must be sought.
8. Requirements for Licensure as a Psychologist
- a. Supervised Hours. To be considered for licensure, a psychological assistant shall accrue not less than 1,750 supervised hours. The Board shall monitor progress through the submission and review of quarterly hour logs. Logs may be submitted electronically, by mail, or in person at the Board office.
 - b. Exams
 - i. EPPP Part-1. Candidates may take the EPPP Part-1 at any time as a registered psychological intern or psychological assistant. Contact the Board office to request access to register for the exam.
 - ii. EPPP Part-2. Candidates who have passed the EPPP Part-1 and are a registered psychological assistant may request access to register for the EPPP Part-2.
 - iii. Nevada State Examination in Psychology (Jurisprudence and Ethics). Registered psychological assistants who have accrued at least 1,400 of the required 1,750 training hours may apply to take the state exam. Contact the Board office.
9. Failure to register may result in the following:
- a. Any hours accrued in Nevada prior to registration may not be accepted for licensure.
 - b. The Board may take action against a candidate for unlicensed practice in the state and the supervising psychologist for supporting unlicensed activity.

Revision History

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ADDENDUM A – Employment Contract Guidelines

1. An [employment] contract serves as the foundation for establishing the supervisory relationship by specifying the roles, tasks, responsibilities of supervisee and supervisor and performance expectations of the supervisee (Bernard & Goodyear, 2014; Osborn & Davis, 2009; Thomas, 2007, 2010).
2. Content
 - a. Content, method, and context of supervision— logistics, roles, and processes
 - i. who is the primary supervisor, who are the secondary supervisors (if any)
 - ii. When will supervision be held
 - iii. In addition to individual supervision, what other is the methods of supervision shall be utilized (group, didactics)
 - b. Roles and expectations of the supervisee and the supervisor, and supervisee goals and tasks.
 - i. When is the supervisor available
 - ii. What are the clinical and non-clinical responsibilities of the supervisee
 - iii. What are the hours the supervisee will be expected in the office
 - iv. What are the training goals of the supervisee
 - c. Criteria for successful completion and processes of evaluation with sample evaluation instruments and competency documents.
 - i. How will you evaluate your supervisee's progress?
 - ii. How will you determine competency of your supervisee?
 - iii. This is Not needed for the board, but should be a part of your contract for informed consent of your student
 - d. Payment contract (Required)
 - i. What will your supervisee be paid for their work.
 - ii. What are the policies of your organization for time off, vacation, medical leave, and how your supervisee can request time off.
3. See the "APA Guidelines for Clinical Supervision in Health Service Psychology" for additional information.

Assembly Bill No. 327—Assemblymen Torres, Nguyen, Brown-May; Anderson, Benitez-Thompson, Bilbray-Axelrod, Considine, Duran, González, Gorelow, Leavitt, Martinez, Marzola, Brittney Miller, Orentlicher, Peters, Roberts, Thomas, Tolles and Watts

Joint Sponsors: Senators Donate and Spearman

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to mental health; requiring certain mental health professionals to complete continuing education concerning cultural competency and diversity, equity and inclusion; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law requires behavior analysts, physicians, physician assistants, nurses, psychologists, marriage and family therapists, clinical professional counselors, social workers, clinical alcohol and drug counselors, alcohol and drug counselors and problem gambling counselors to complete certain continuing education as a condition to the renewal of a license or certificate. (NRS 437.225, 630.253, 632.343, 633.471, 641.220, 641A.260, 641B.280, 641C.450) Existing law requires certain facilities that provide health care to conduct training relating to cultural competency for any agent or employee of such a facility who provides care to a patient or resident of the facility. (NRS 449.103) **Sections 1-7.5** of this bill require a psychiatrist, physician assistant practicing under the supervision of a psychiatrist, nurse, marriage and family therapist, clinical professional counselor, social worker, clinical alcohol and drug counselor, alcohol and drug counselor, problem gambling counselor or behavior analyst to complete a certain number of hours of instruction concerning cultural competency and diversity, equity and inclusion as part of that continuing education. **Sections 1-7.5** authorize such a provider who receives training relating to cultural competency as the employee of a facility that provides health care to use that training to satisfy the requirement that such a provider complete a certain number of hours of instruction concerning cultural competency and diversity, equity and inclusion. **Sections 1-7.5** require such cultural competency training to address persons from different cultural backgrounds, including: (1) persons from various gender, racial and ethnic backgrounds; (2) persons from various religious backgrounds; (3) lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning persons; (4) children and senior citizens; (5) veterans; (6) persons with mental illness; (7) persons with an intellectual disability, developmental disability or physical disability; and (8) other populations designated by the applicable licensing Board.

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 630.253 is hereby amended to read as follows:
630.253 1. The Board shall, as a prerequisite for the:



- (a) Renewal of a license as a physician assistant; or
- (b) Biennial registration of the holder of a license to practice medicine,

↳ require each holder to submit evidence of compliance with the requirements for continuing education as set forth in regulations adopted by the Board.

2. These requirements:

(a) May provide for the completion of one or more courses of instruction relating to risk management in the performance of medical services.

(b) Must provide for the completion of a course of instruction, within 2 years after initial licensure, relating to the medical consequences of an act of terrorism that involves the use of a weapon of mass destruction. The course must provide at least 4 hours of instruction that includes instruction in the following subjects:

(1) An overview of acts of terrorism and weapons of mass destruction;

(2) Personal protective equipment required for acts of terrorism;

(3) Common symptoms and methods of treatment associated with exposure to, or injuries caused by, chemical, biological, radioactive and nuclear agents;

(4) Syndromic surveillance and reporting procedures for acts of terrorism that involve biological agents; and

(5) An overview of the information available on, and the use of, the Health Alert Network.

(c) Must provide for the completion by a holder of a license to practice medicine of a course of instruction within 2 years after initial licensure that provides at least 2 hours of instruction on evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness as described in subsection ~~5~~ 6.

(d) Must provide for the biennial completion by each psychiatrist and each physician assistant practicing under the supervision of a psychiatrist of one or more courses of instruction that provide at least 2 hours of instruction relating to cultural competency and diversity, equity and inclusion. Such instruction:

(1) May include the training provided pursuant to NRS 449.103, where applicable.

(2) Must be based upon a range of research from diverse sources.

(3) Must address persons of different cultural backgrounds, including, without limitation:



- (I) Persons from various gender, racial and ethnic backgrounds;*
- (II) Persons from various religious backgrounds;*
- (III) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning persons;*
- (IV) Children and senior citizens;*
- (V) Veterans;*
- (VI) Persons with a mental illness;*
- (VII) Persons with an intellectual disability, developmental disability or physical disability; and*
- (VIII) Persons who are part of any other population that a psychiatrist or a physician assistant practicing under the supervision of a psychiatrist may need to better understand, as determined by the Board.*

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3. The Board may ~~{thereafter}~~ determine whether to include in a program of continuing education ~~{additional}~~ courses of instruction relating to the medical consequences of an act of terrorism that involves the use of a weapon of mass destruction ~~{→}~~ *in addition to the course of instruction required by paragraph (b) of subsection 2.*

~~{3→}~~ 4. The Board shall encourage each holder of a license who treats or cares for persons who are more than 60 years of age to receive, as a portion of their continuing education, education in geriatrics and gerontology, including such topics as:

- (a) The skills and knowledge that the licensee needs to address aging issues;
- (b) Approaches to providing health care to older persons, including both didactic and clinical approaches;
- (c) The biological, behavioral, social and emotional aspects of the aging process; and
- (d) The importance of maintenance of function and independence for older persons.

~~{4→}~~ 5. The Board shall encourage each holder of a license to practice medicine to receive, as a portion of his or her continuing education, training concerning methods for educating patients about how to effectively manage medications, including, without limitation, the ability of the patient to request to have the symptom or purpose for which a drug is prescribed included on the label attached to the container of the drug.

~~{5→}~~ 6. The Board shall require each holder of a license to practice medicine to receive as a portion of his or her continuing education at least 2 hours of instruction every 4 years on



evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness, which may include, without limitation, instruction concerning:

(a) The skills and knowledge that the licensee needs to detect behaviors that may lead to suicide, including, without limitation, post-traumatic stress disorder;

(b) Approaches to engaging other professionals in suicide intervention; and

(c) The detection of suicidal thoughts and ideations and the prevention of suicide.

~~6.~~ **7.** The Board shall encourage each holder of a license to practice medicine or as a physician assistant to receive, as a portion of his or her continuing education, training and education in the diagnosis of rare diseases, including, without limitation:

(a) Recognizing the symptoms of pediatric cancer; and

(b) Interpreting family history to determine whether such symptoms indicate a normal childhood illness or a condition that requires additional examination.

~~7.~~ **8.** A holder of a license to practice medicine may not substitute the continuing education credits relating to suicide prevention and awareness required by this section for the purposes of satisfying an equivalent requirement for continuing education in ethics.

~~8.~~ **9.** A holder of a license to practice medicine may substitute not more than 2 hours of continuing education credits in pain management or care for persons with an addictive disorder for the purposes of satisfying an equivalent requirement for continuing education in ethics.

~~9.~~ **10.** As used in this section:

(a) “Act of terrorism” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.4415.

(b) “Biological agent” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.442.

(c) “Chemical agent” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.4425.

(d) “Radioactive agent” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.4437.

(e) “Weapon of mass destruction” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.4445.

Sec. 2. NRS 632.343 is hereby amended to read as follows:

632.343 1. The Board shall not renew any license issued under this chapter until the licensee has submitted proof satisfactory to the Board of completion, during the 2-year period before renewal of the license, of 30 hours in a program of continuing education



approved by the Board in accordance with regulations adopted by the Board. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the licensee is exempt from this provision for the first biennial period after graduation from:

- (a) An accredited school of professional nursing;
- (b) An accredited school of practical nursing;
- (c) An approved school of professional nursing in the process of obtaining accreditation; or
- (d) An approved school of practical nursing in the process of obtaining accreditation.

2. The Board shall review all courses offered to nurses for the completion of the requirement set forth in subsection 1. The Board may approve nursing and other courses which are directly related to the practice of nursing as well as others which bear a reasonable relationship to current developments in the field of nursing or any special area of practice in which a licensee engages. These may include academic studies, workshops, extension studies, home study and other courses.

3. The program of continuing education required by subsection 1 must include:

(a) For a person licensed as an advanced practice registered nurse, a course of instruction to be completed within 2 years after initial licensure that provides at least 2 hours of instruction on suicide prevention and awareness as described in subsection ~~5.1~~ 6.

(b) For each person licensed pursuant to this chapter, a course of instruction, to be completed within 2 years after initial licensure, relating to the medical consequences of an act of terrorism that involves the use of a weapon of mass destruction. The course must provide at least 4 hours of instruction that includes instruction in the following subjects:

(1) An overview of acts of terrorism and weapons of mass destruction;

(2) Personal protective equipment required for acts of terrorism;

(3) Common symptoms and methods of treatment associated with exposure to, or injuries caused by, chemical, biological, radioactive and nuclear agents;

(4) Syndromic surveillance and reporting procedures for acts of terrorism that involve biological agents; and

(5) An overview of the information available on, and the use of, the Health Alert Network.

(c) For each person licensed pursuant to this chapter, one or more courses of instruction that provide at least 2 hours of



instruction relating to cultural competency and diversity, equity and inclusion to be completed biennially. Such instruction:

(1) May include the training provided pursuant to NRS 449.103, where applicable.

(2) Must be based upon a range of research from diverse sources.

(3) Must address persons of different cultural backgrounds, including, without limitation:

(I) Persons from various gender, racial and ethnic backgrounds;

(II) Persons from various religious backgrounds;

(III) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning persons;

(IV) Children and senior citizens;

(V) Veterans;

(VI) Persons with a mental illness;

(VII) Persons with an intellectual disability, developmental disability or physical disability; and

(VIII) Persons who are part of any other population that a person licensed pursuant to this chapter may need to better understand, as determined by the Board.

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4. The Board may ~~{thereafter}~~ determine whether to include in a program of continuing education ~~{additional}~~ courses of instruction relating to the medical consequences of an act of terrorism that involves the use of a weapon of mass destruction ~~{}~~ *in addition to the course of instruction required by paragraph (b) of subsection 3.*

~~{4.}~~ 5. The Board shall encourage each licensee who treats or cares for persons who are more than 60 years of age to receive, as a portion of their continuing education, education in geriatrics and gerontology, including such topics as:

(a) The skills and knowledge that the licensee needs to address aging issues;

(b) Approaches to providing health care to older persons, including both didactic and clinical approaches;

(c) The biological, behavioral, social and emotional aspects of the aging process; and

(d) The importance of maintenance of function and independence for older persons.

~~{5.}~~ 6. The Board shall require each person licensed as an advanced practice registered nurse to receive as a portion of his or her continuing education at least 2 hours of instruction every 4 years



on evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness or another course of instruction on suicide prevention and awareness that is approved by the Board which the Board has determined to be effective and appropriate.

~~6.7~~ **7.** The Board shall encourage each person licensed as an advanced practice registered nurse to receive, as a portion of his or her continuing education, training and education in the diagnosis of rare diseases, including, without limitation:

- (a) Recognizing the symptoms of pediatric cancer; and
- (b) Interpreting family history to determine whether such symptoms indicate a normal childhood illness or a condition that requires additional examination.

~~7.7~~ **8.** As used in this section:

(a) “Act of terrorism” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.4415.

(b) “Biological agent” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.442.

(c) “Chemical agent” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.4425.

(d) “Radioactive agent” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.4437.

(e) “Weapon of mass destruction” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 202.4445.

Sec. 3. NRS 633.471 is hereby amended to read as follows:

633.471 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~10~~ **II** and NRS 633.491, every holder of a license issued under this chapter, except a temporary or a special license, may renew the license on or before January 1 of each calendar year after its issuance by:

- (a) Applying for renewal on forms provided by the Board;
- (b) Paying the annual license renewal fee specified in this chapter;
- (c) Submitting a list of all actions filed or claims submitted to arbitration or mediation for malpractice or negligence against the holder during the previous year;
- (d) Submitting evidence to the Board that in the year preceding the application for renewal the holder has attended courses or programs of continuing education approved by the Board in accordance with regulations adopted by the Board totaling a number of hours established by the Board which must not be less than 35 hours nor more than that set in the requirements for continuing medical education of the American Osteopathic Association; and
- (e) Submitting all information required to complete the renewal.



2. The Secretary of the Board shall notify each licensee of the requirements for renewal not less than 30 days before the date of renewal.

3. The Board shall request submission of verified evidence of completion of the required number of hours of continuing medical education annually from no fewer than one-third of the applicants for renewal of a license to practice osteopathic medicine or a license to practice as a physician assistant. Upon a request from the Board, an applicant for renewal of a license to practice osteopathic medicine or a license to practice as a physician assistant shall submit verified evidence satisfactory to the Board that in the year preceding the application for renewal the applicant attended courses or programs of continuing medical education approved by the Board totaling the number of hours established by the Board.

4. The Board shall require each holder of a license to practice osteopathic medicine to complete a course of instruction within 2 years after initial licensure that provides at least 2 hours of instruction on evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness as described in subsection 8.

5. The Board shall encourage each holder of a license to practice osteopathic medicine to receive, as a portion of his or her continuing education, training concerning methods for educating patients about how to effectively manage medications, including, without limitation, the ability of the patient to request to have the symptom or purpose for which a drug is prescribed included on the label attached to the container of the drug.

6. The Board shall encourage each holder of a license to practice osteopathic medicine or as a physician assistant to receive, as a portion of his or her continuing education, training and education in the diagnosis of rare diseases, including, without limitation:

(a) Recognizing the symptoms of pediatric cancer; and

(b) Interpreting family history to determine whether such symptoms indicate a normal childhood illness or a condition that requires additional examination.

7. The Board shall require, as part of the continuing education requirements approved by the Board, the biennial completion by a holder of a license to practice osteopathic medicine of at least 2 hours of continuing education credits in ethics, pain management or care of persons with addictive disorders.

8. The Board shall require each holder of a license to practice osteopathic medicine to receive as a portion of his or her continuing education at least 2 hours of instruction every 4 years on



evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness which may include, without limitation, instruction concerning:

(a) The skills and knowledge that the licensee needs to detect behaviors that may lead to suicide, including, without limitation, post-traumatic stress disorder;

(b) Approaches to engaging other professionals in suicide intervention; and

(c) The detection of suicidal thoughts and ideations and the prevention of suicide.

9. A holder of a license to practice osteopathic medicine may not substitute the continuing education credits relating to suicide prevention and awareness required by this section for the purposes of satisfying an equivalent requirement for continuing education in ethics.

10. *The Board shall require each psychiatrist or a physician assistant practicing under the supervision of a psychiatrist to biennially complete one or more courses of instruction that provide at least 2 hours of instruction relating to cultural competency and diversity, equity and inclusion. Such instruction:*

(a) May include the training provided pursuant to NRS 449.103, where applicable.

(b) Must be based upon a range of research from diverse sources.

(c) Must address persons of different cultural backgrounds, including, without limitation:

(1) Persons from various gender, racial and ethnic backgrounds;

(2) Persons from various religious backgrounds;

(3) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning persons;

(4) Children and senior citizens;

(5) Veterans;

(6) Persons with a mental illness;

(7) Persons with an intellectual disability, developmental disability or physical disability; and

(8) Persons who are part of any other population that a psychiatrist or physician assistant practicing under the supervision of a psychiatrist may need to better understand, as determined by the Board.

11. Members of the Armed Forces of the United States and the United States Public Health Service are exempt from payment of the annual license renewal fee during their active duty status.



Sec. 4. NRS 641.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641.220 1. To renew a license issued pursuant to this chapter, each person must, on or before the first day of January of each odd-numbered year:

- (a) Apply to the Board for renewal;
- (b) Pay the biennial fee for the renewal of a license;
- (c) Submit evidence to the Board of completion of the requirements for continuing education as set forth in regulations adopted by the Board; and
- (d) Submit all information required to complete the renewal.

2. Upon renewing his or her license, a psychologist shall declare his or her areas of competence, as determined in accordance with NRS 641.112.

3. The Board shall, as a prerequisite for the renewal of a license, require each holder to comply with the requirements for continuing education adopted by the Board.

4. The requirements for continuing education adopted by the Board pursuant to subsection 3 must include, without limitation ~~[, a]~~:

(a) A requirement that the holder of a license receive at least 2 hours of instruction on evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness or another course of instruction on suicide prevention and awareness that is approved by the Board which the Board has determined to be effective and appropriate. The hours of instruction required by this ~~[subsection]~~ paragraph must be completed within 2 years after initial licensure and at least every 4 years thereafter.

(b) A requirement that the holder of a license must biennially receive at least 2 hours of instruction relating to cultural competency and diversity, equity and inclusion. Such instruction:

(1) May include the training provided pursuant to NRS 449.103, where applicable.

(2) Must be based upon a range of research from diverse sources.

(3) Must address persons of different cultural backgrounds, including, without limitation:

(I) Persons from various gender, racial and ethnic backgrounds;

(II) Persons from various religious backgrounds;

(III) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning persons;

(IV) Children and senior citizens;

(V) Veterans;

(VI) Persons with a mental illness;



(VII) Persons with an intellectual disability, developmental disability or physical disability; and

(VIII) Persons who are part of any other population that the holder of a license may need to better understand, as determined by the Board.

Sec. 5. NRS 641A.260 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641A.260 1. To renew a license to practice as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor issued pursuant to this chapter, each person must, on or before 10 business days after the date of expiration of his or her current license:

(a) Apply to the Board for renewal;

(b) Pay the fee for the biennial renewal of a license set by the Board;

(c) Submit evidence to the Board of completion of the requirements for continuing education as set forth in regulations adopted by the Board, unless the Board has granted a waiver pursuant to NRS 641A.265; and

(d) Submit all information required to complete the renewal.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 641A.265, the Board shall, as a prerequisite for the renewal of a license to practice as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor, require each holder to comply with the requirements for continuing education adopted by the Board, which must include, without limitation ~~[, a]~~:

(a) A requirement that the holder receive at least 2 hours of instruction on evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness or another course of instruction on suicide prevention and awareness that is approved by the Board which the Board has determined to be effective and appropriate.

(b) A requirement that the holder receive at least 2 hours of instruction relating to cultural competency and diversity, equity and inclusion. Such instruction:

(1) May include the training provided pursuant to NRS 449.103, where applicable.

(2) Must be based upon a range of research from diverse sources.

(3) Must address persons of different cultural backgrounds, including, without limitation:

(I) Persons from various gender, racial and ethnic backgrounds;

(II) Persons from various religious backgrounds;

(III) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning persons;



- (IV) Children and senior citizens;*
- (V) Veterans;*
- (VI) Persons with a mental illness;*
- (VII) Persons with an intellectual disability, developmental disability or physical disability; and*
- (VIII) Persons who are part of any other population that a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor may need to better understand, as determined by the Board.*

Sec. 6. NRS 641B.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.280 1. Every holder of a license issued pursuant to this chapter may renew his or her license annually by:

- (a) Applying to the Board for renewal;
- (b) Paying the annual renewal fee set by the Board;
- (c) Submitting evidence to the Board of completion of the required continuing education as set forth in regulations adopted by the Board; and
- (d) Submitting all information required to complete the renewal.

2. The Board shall, as a prerequisite for the renewal of a license, require the holder to comply with the requirements for continuing education adopted by the Board, which must include, without limitation ~~[a]~~:

(a) A requirement that every 2 years the holder receive at least 2 hours of instruction on evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness or another course of instruction on suicide prevention and awareness that is approved by the Board which the Board has determined to be effective and appropriate.

(b) A requirement that every 2 years the holder receive at least 2 hours of instruction relating to cultural competency and diversity, equity and inclusion. Such instruction:

(1) May include the training provided pursuant to NRS 449.103, where applicable.

(2) Must be based upon a range of research from diverse sources.

(3) Must address persons of different cultural backgrounds, including, without limitation:

(I) Persons from various gender, racial and ethnic backgrounds;

(II) Persons from various religious backgrounds;

(III) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning persons;

(IV) Children and senior citizens;

(V) Veterans;

(VI) Persons with a mental illness;



(VII) Persons with an intellectual disability, developmental disability or physical disability; and

(VIII) Persons who are part of any other population that the holder of a license issued pursuant to this chapter may need to better understand, as determined by the Board.

Sec. 7. NRS 641C.450 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641C.450 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 641C.310, 641C.320, 641C.440 and 641C.530, a person may renew his or her license or certificate by submitting to the Board:

1. An application for the renewal of the license or certificate .

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2. The fee for the renewal of a license or certificate prescribed in NRS 641C.470 . ~~§~~

3. Evidence of completion of the continuing education required by the Board, which must include, without limitation ~~§-a~~ :

(a) A requirement that the applicant receive at least 1 hour of instruction on evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness or another course of instruction on suicide prevention and awareness that is approved by the Board which the Board has determined to be effective and appropriate for each year of the term of the applicant's licensure or certification . ~~§~~

(b) A requirement that the applicant receive at least 1 hour of instruction relating to cultural competency and diversity, equity and inclusion for each year of the term of the applicant's licensure or certification. Such instruction:

(1) May include the training provided pursuant to NRS 449.103, where applicable.

(2) Must be based upon a range of research from diverse sources.

(3) Must address persons of different cultural backgrounds, including, without limitation:

(I) Persons from various gender, racial and ethnic backgrounds;

(II) Persons from various religious backgrounds;

(III) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning persons;

(IV) Children and senior citizens;

(V) Veterans;

(VI) Persons with a mental illness;

(VII) Persons with an intellectual disability, developmental disability or physical disability; and



(VIII) Persons who are part of any other population that the holder of a license or certificate may need to better understand, as determined by the Board.

4. If the applicant is a certified intern, the name of the licensed or certified counselor who supervises the applicant. ~~[, and]~~
5. All information required to complete the renewal.

Sec. 7.5. NRS 437.225 is hereby amended to read as follows:

437.225 1. To renew a license as a behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst or registration as a registered behavior technician, each person must, on or before the first day of January of each odd-numbered year:

- (a) Apply to the Division for renewal;
- (b) Pay the biennial fee for the renewal of a license or registration;

(c) Submit evidence to the Division:

(1) Of completion of the requirements for continuing education as set forth in regulations adopted by the Board, if applicable; and

(2) That the person's certification or registration, as applicable, by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board, Inc., or its successor organization, remains valid and the holder remains in good standing; and

(d) Submit all information required to complete the renewal.

2. In addition to the requirements of subsection 1, to renew registration as a registered behavior technician for the third time and every third renewal thereafter, a person must submit to an investigation of his or her criminal history in the manner prescribed in paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 437.200.

3. The Board shall adopt regulations that require, as a prerequisite for the renewal of a license as a behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst, each holder to complete continuing education, which must:

(a) Be consistent with nationally recognized standards for the continuing education of behavior analysts or assistant behavior analysts, as applicable. ~~[, and]~~

(b) Include, without limitation, a requirement that the holder of a license receive at least 2 hours of instruction on evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness.

(c) Include, without limitation, a requirement that the holder of a license as a behavior analyst receive at least 2 hours of instruction relating to cultural competency and diversity, equity and inclusion. Such instruction:



(1) May include the training provided pursuant to NRS 449.103, where applicable.

(2) Must be based upon a range of research from diverse sources.

(3) Must address persons of different cultural backgrounds, including, without limitation:

(I) Persons from various gender, racial and ethnic backgrounds;

(II) Persons from various religious backgrounds;

(III) Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning persons;

(IV) Children and senior citizens;

(V) Veterans;

(VI) Persons with a mental illness;

(VII) Persons with an intellectual disability, developmental disability or physical disability; and

(VIII) Persons who are part of any other population that a behavior analyst may need to better understand, as determined by the Board.

4. The Board shall not adopt regulations requiring a registered behavior technician to receive continuing education.

Sec. 8. 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and approval.

2. Sections 1 to 7.5, inclusive, of this act become effective:

(a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

(b) On January 1, 2022, for all other purposes.



NAC 641.136 Continuing education: Requirements for renewal of license as a psychologist; acceptance or approval of courses and programs by Board. ([NRS 641.100](#), [641.110](#), [641.220](#))

1. To renew his or her license, a psychologist must certify to the Board that during the 2 years immediately preceding the date he or she submits an application for renewal, he or she has completed 30 hours of continuing education in courses approved by the Board pursuant to subsection 2 or [NAC 641.138](#). At least 6 hours must include instruction in scientific and professional ethics and standards, and common areas of professional misconduct. At least 2 hours must include instruction in evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness. **At least 2 hours must include instruction relating to cultural competency and diversity, equity, and inclusion.** Not more than 15 hours may be obtained from an approved distance education course. A licensee may not receive credit for continuing education for a course in which he or she is the instructor.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the Board will accept the following types of continuing education courses or programs:

(a) Formally organized workshops, seminars or classes which maintain an attendance roster and are conducted by or under the auspices of an accredited institution of higher education offering graduate instruction.

(b) Workshops, seminars or classes which maintain an attendance roster and are certified or recognized by a state, national or international accrediting agency, including, but not limited to:

- (1) The American Psychological Association;
- (2) The American Psychiatric Association;
- (3) The American Medical Association;
- (4) The American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy;
- (5) The American Counseling Association;
- (6) The International Congress of Psychology; or
- (7) The National Association of Social Workers.

(c) Other workshops, classes, seminars and training sessions in psychology or a closely related discipline which have a formal curriculum and attendance roster and receive approval by the Board.

(d) Distance education courses in psychology or a closely related discipline that are approved by the Board.

3. Before a licensee may receive credit for continuing education for a course in scientific and professional ethics and standards and common areas of professional misconduct or a course in evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness, the licensee must submit information concerning the course to the Board for approval of the course unless the Board has previously approved the course. The Board will make

available at its office a list of courses and programs that are currently approved by the Board.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Psychological Exam'rs, eff. 12-28-95; A by R090-01, 2-7-2002; R117-08, 12-17-2008; R209-09, 10-15-2010; R038-16, 12-21-2016)

NAC 641.137 Continuing education: Requirements for course or program; subjects. ([NRS 641.100](#), [641.220](#))

1. A continuing education course or program must be approved by the Board pursuant to [NAC 641.136](#) or [641.138](#) and:

(a) Be presented in accordance with accepted educational principles at a doctoral or postdoctoral level which is appropriate for professional psychologists;

(b) Be at least 1 hour in length, not including breaks; and

(c) Be primarily related to the study of psychology or have a potential application to the practice of psychology.

2. The subjects acceptable for a continuing education course or program include, but are not limited to:

(a) Scientific and professional ethics and standards;

(b) Forensic issues;

(c) Research design and methodology;

(d) Tests and measurements;

(e) Psychotherapeutic techniques;

(f) Biological bases of behavior, including physiological psychology, comparative psychology, neuropsychology, human sexuality and psychopharmacology;

(g) Cognitive and emotional bases of behavior, including learning, memory, perception, cognition, thinking, motivation and emotion;

(h) Social bases of behavior, including social, group, cultural and ethnic processes, sex roles, and organization and systems therapy;

(i) Differences in persons, including personality therapy, human development, abnormal psychology, psychopathology and the psychology of persons with disabilities;
~~and~~

(j) Evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness.~~and~~

(k) Cultural competency and diversity, equity, and inclusion. Instruction in cultural competency and diversity, equity, and inclusion:

1) May include the training provided pursuant to NRS 449.103, where applicable.

2) Must be based upon a range of research from diverse sources.

3) Must address persons of different cultural backgrounds, including, without limitation:

- I. Persons from various gender, racial and ethnic backgrounds;
- II. Persons from various religious backgrounds;
- III. Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning persons;
- IV. Children and senior citizens;
- V. Veterans;
- VI. Persons with a mental illness;
- VII. Persons with an intellectual disability, developmental disability or physical disability; and
- VIII. Persons who are part of any other population that the holder of a license may need to better understand, as determined by the Board.

(Added to NAC by Bd. of Psychological Exam'rs, eff. 12-28-95; A by R090-01, 2-7-2002; R038-16, 12-21-2016)

Assembly Bill No. 366–Assemblywoman Tolles

Joint Sponsor: Senator Spearman

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to mental health; exempting recordings of certain training activities from requirements concerning the retention, maintenance and disclosure of health care records under certain circumstances; requiring the destruction of such a recording after a certain period of time; prescribing certain additional requirements governing such a recording; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law imposes various requirements concerning the retention, maintenance and disclosure of health care records, including the patient or client records of a psychologist, marriage and family therapist, clinical professional counselor, social worker, independent social worker, clinical social worker, clinical alcohol and drug counselor, alcohol and drug counselor or problem gambling counselor. (NRS 629.051-629.069) This bill provides that a program of education for such mental health professionals approved by the applicable licensing board, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals is not required to retain a recording of the provision of services by such a mental health professional to a patient if: (1) the recording is used for a training activity; (2) the patient has provided informed written consent to the use of the recording in the training activity; (3) destroying the recording does not result in the maintenance of incomplete patient records; and (4) the recording is destroyed after a period of time prescribed by the licensing board responsible for regulating the mental health professional. This bill requires such a recording to meet certain federal requirements designed to prevent the reproduction, copying or theft of the recording. This bill also prohibits the inclusion of personally identifiable information concerning a patient or client unless the patient or client, as applicable, has provided specific informed written consent to the inclusion of that information in the recording.

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 629.021 is hereby amended to read as follows:
629.021 “Health care records” means , *except as otherwise provided in section 2, 3, 4 or 5 of this act*, any reports, notes, orders, photographs, X-rays or other recorded data or information whether maintained in written, electronic or other form which is received or produced by a provider of health care, or any person employed by a provider of health care, and contains information



relating to the medical history, examination, diagnosis or treatment of the patient.

Sec. 2. Chapter 641 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. A program of education for mental health professionals approved by the Board, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals is not required to retain a recording of the provision of mental health services by a psychologist to a patient that meets the requirements of subsection 2 if:

(a) The recording is used for a training activity that is part of a program of education for mental health professionals approved by the Board;

(b) The patient has provided informed consent in writing on a form that meets the requirements prescribed by the Board pursuant to subsection 3 to the use of the recording in the training activity;

(c) Destroying the recording does not result in noncompliance with the obligations described in subsection 4; and

(d) The recording is destroyed after the expiration of the period of time prescribed by the Board pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 3.

2. A recording of the provision of mental health services by a psychologist to a patient used for the purpose described in paragraph (a) of subsection 1:

(a) Must meet all requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191, and any regulations adopted thereto, that are designed to prevent the reproduction, copying or theft of the recording; and

(b) Must not contain any personally identifiable information relating to the patient unless the patient has provided informed consent in writing specifically authorizing the inclusion of that information in the recording.

3. The Board shall adopt regulations:

(a) Prescribing requirements governing the provision of informed written consent pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1, including, without limitation, requirements governing:

(1) The form on which such informed written consent must be provided; and

(2) The length of time that a psychologist who obtains such informed written consent must maintain the informed written consent;



(b) Prescribing the length of time that a program of education for mental health professionals, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals that uses a recording of the provision of mental health services by a psychologist to a patient for the purposes described in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 may retain the recording before destroying it; and

(c) Defining “training activity” for the purposes of this section.

4. The provisions of this section do not abrogate, alter or otherwise affect the obligation of a psychologist to comply with the applicable requirements of chapter 629 of NRS, including, without limitation, the requirement to retain records concerning the mental health services that he or she provides to patients in accordance with NRS 629.051 to 629.069, inclusive.

5. Except where necessary for compliance with subsection 4, a recording of the provision of mental health services by a psychologist to a patient that is used for a training activity by a program of education for mental health professionals, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals in accordance with the provisions of this section is not a health care record for the purposes of chapter 629 of NRS.

6. As used in this section, “mental health professional” means a psychologist, marriage and family therapist, clinical professional counselor, social worker, independent social worker, clinical social worker, clinical alcohol and drug counselor, alcohol and drug counselor or problem gambling counselor.

Sec. 3. Chapter 641A of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. A program of education for mental health professionals approved by the Board, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals is not required to retain a recording of the provision of mental health services by a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor to a client that meets the requirements of subsection 2 if:

(a) The recording is used for a training activity that is part of a program of education for mental health professionals approved by the Board;

(b) The client has provided informed consent in writing on a form that meets the requirements prescribed by the Board pursuant to subsection 3 to the use of the recording in the training activity;



(c) Destroying the recording does not result in noncompliance with the obligations described in subsection 4; and

(d) The recording is destroyed after the expiration of the period of time prescribed by the Board pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 3.

2. A recording of the provision of mental health services by a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor to a client used for the purpose described in paragraph (a) of subsection 1:

(a) Must meet all requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191, and any regulations adopted thereto, that are designed to prevent the reproduction, copying or theft of the recording; and

(b) Must not contain any personally identifiable information relating to the client unless the client has provided informed consent in writing specifically authorizing the inclusion of that information in the recording.

3. The Board shall adopt regulations:

(a) Prescribing requirements governing the provision of informed written consent pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1, including, without limitation, requirements governing:

(1) The form on which such informed written consent must be provided; and

(2) The length of time that a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor who obtains such informed written consent must maintain the informed written consent;

(b) Prescribing the length of time that a program of education for mental health professionals, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals that uses a recording of the provision of mental health services by a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor to a client for the purposes described in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 may retain the recording before destroying it; and

(c) Defining "training activity" for the purposes of this section.

4. The provisions of this section do not abrogate, alter or otherwise affect the obligation of a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor to comply with the applicable requirements of chapter 629 of NRS, including, without limitation, the requirement to retain records concerning the mental health services that he or she provides to clients in accordance with NRS 629.051 to 629.069, inclusive.

5. Except where necessary for compliance with subsection 4, a recording of the provision of mental health services by a



marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor to a client that is used for a training activity by a program of education for mental health professionals, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals in accordance with the provisions of this section is not a health care record for the purposes of chapter 629 of NRS.

6. As used in this section, "mental health professional" means a psychologist, marriage and family therapist, clinical professional counselor, social worker, independent social worker, clinical social worker, clinical alcohol and drug counselor, alcohol and drug counselor or problem gambling counselor.

Sec. 4. Chapter 641B of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. A program of education for mental health professionals approved by the Board, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals is not required to retain a recording of the provision of mental health services by a social worker, independent social worker or clinical social worker to a client that meets the requirements of subsection 2 if:

(a) The recording is used for a training activity that is part of a program of education for mental health professionals approved by the Board;

(b) The client has provided informed consent in writing on a form that meets the requirements prescribed by the Board pursuant to subsection 3 to the use of the recording in the training activity;

(c) Destroying the recording does not result in noncompliance with the obligations described in subsection 4; and

(d) The recording is destroyed after the expiration of the period of time prescribed by the Board pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 3.

2. A recording of the provision of mental health services by a social worker, independent social worker or clinical social worker to a client used for the purpose described in paragraph (a) of subsection 1:

(a) Must meet all requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191, and any regulations adopted thereto, that are designed to prevent the reproduction, copying or theft of the recording; and

(b) Must not contain any personally identifiable information relating to the client unless the client has provided informed consent in writing specifically authorizing the inclusion of that information in the recording.



3. *The Board shall adopt regulations:*

(a) *Prescribing requirements governing the provision of informed written consent pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1, including, without limitation, requirements governing:*

(1) *The form on which such informed written consent must be provided; and*

(2) *The length of time that a social worker, independent social worker or clinical social worker who obtains such informed written consent must maintain the informed written consent;*

(b) *Prescribing the length of time that a program of education for mental health professionals, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals that uses a recording of the provision of mental health services by a social worker, independent social worker or clinical social worker to a client for the purposes described in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 may retain the recording before destroying it; and*

(c) *Defining "training activity" for the purposes of this section.*

4. *The provisions of this section do not abrogate, alter or otherwise affect the obligation of a social worker, independent social worker or clinical social worker to comply with the applicable requirements of chapter 629 of NRS, including, without limitation, the requirement to retain records concerning the mental health services that he or she provides to clients in accordance with NRS 629.051 to 629.069, inclusive.*

5. *Except where necessary for compliance with subsection 4, a recording of the provision of mental health services by a social worker, independent social worker or clinical social worker to a client that is used for a training activity by a program of education for mental health professionals, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals in accordance with the provisions of this section is not a health care record for the purposes of chapter 629 of NRS.*

6. *As used in this section, "mental health professional" means a psychologist, marriage and family therapist, clinical professional counselor, social worker, independent social worker, clinical social worker, clinical alcohol and drug counselor, alcohol and drug counselor or problem gambling counselor.*

Sec. 5. Chapter 641C of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. *A program of education for mental health professionals approved by the Board, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals is not required to retain a recording of the provision of mental health services by*



a clinical alcohol and drug counselor, alcohol and drug counselor or problem gambling counselor to a client that meets the requirements of subsection 2 if:

(a) The recording is used for a training activity that is part of a program of education for mental health professionals approved by the Board;

(b) The client has provided informed consent in writing on a form that meets the requirements prescribed by the Board pursuant to subsection 3 to the use of the recording in the training activity;

(c) Destroying the recording does not result in noncompliance with the obligations described in subsection 4; and

(d) The recording is destroyed after the expiration of the period of time prescribed by the Board pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 3.

2. A recording of the provision of mental health services by a clinical alcohol and drug counselor, alcohol and drug counselor or problem gambling counselor to a client used for the purpose described in paragraph (a) of subsection 1:

(a) Must meet all requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191, and any regulations adopted thereto, that are designed to prevent the reproduction, copying or theft of the recording; and

(b) Must not contain any personally identifiable information relating to the client unless the client has provided informed consent in writing specifically authorizing the inclusion of that information in the recording.

3. The Board shall adopt regulations:

(a) Prescribing requirements governing the provision of informed written consent pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1, including, without limitation, requirements governing:

(1) The form on which such informed written consent must be provided; and

(2) The length of time that a clinical alcohol and drug counselor, alcohol and drug counselor or problem gambling counselor who obtains such informed written consent must maintain the informed written consent;

(b) Prescribing the length of time that a program of education for mental health professionals, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals that uses a recording of the provision of mental health services by a clinical alcohol and drug counselor, alcohol and drug counselor or problem gambling counselor to a client for the purposes described



in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 may retain the recording before destroying it; and

(c) Defining “training activity” for the purposes of this section.

4. The provisions of this section do not abrogate, alter or otherwise affect the obligation of a clinical alcohol and drug counselor, alcohol and drug counselor or problem gambling counselor to comply with the applicable requirements of chapter 629 of NRS, including, without limitation, the requirement to retain records concerning the mental health services that he or she provides to clients in accordance with NRS 629.051 to 629.069, inclusive.

5. Except where necessary for compliance with subsection 4, a recording of the provision of mental health services by a clinical alcohol and drug counselor, alcohol and drug counselor or problem gambling counselor to a client that is used for a training activity by a program of education for mental health professionals, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals in accordance with the provisions of this section is not a health care record for the purposes of chapter 629 of NRS.

6. As used in this section, “mental health professional” means a psychologist, marriage and family therapist, clinical professional counselor, social worker, independent social worker, clinical social worker, clinical alcohol and drug counselor, alcohol and drug counselor or problem gambling counselor.

Sec. 6. 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and approval.

2. Sections 1 to 5, inclusive, of this act become effective:

(a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

(b) On July 1, 2021, for all other purposes.



Assembly Bill 366

1. Define "recording"
2. The Board shall adopt regulations:
 - a. Prescribing requirements governing the provision of informed written consent pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 (The patient has provided informed consent in writing on a form that meets the requirements prescribed by the Board to the use of the recording in the training activity;), including, without limitation, requirements governing:
 - i. The form on which such informed written consent must be provided; and
 - ii. The length of time that a psychologist who obtains such informed written consent must maintain the informed written consent;
 - b. Prescribing the length of time that a program of education for mental health professionals, a mental health professional or a person receiving training for mental health professionals that uses a recording of the provision of mental health services by a psychologist to a patient for the purposes described in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 may retain the recording before destroying it; and
 - c. Defining "training activity" for the purposes of this section.

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to behavioral health; requiring an alternate means for an applicant for certain licenses and certificates to submit official transcripts if certain conditions are satisfied; requiring the adoption of regulations that authorize the remote supervision of certain persons; requiring licensing boards that regulate various professions relating to behavioral health to report certain information; revising provisions governing certain licenses by endorsement; providing for the issuance of a license as a master social worker to an applicant who meets certain qualifications; authorizing a master social worker or independent social worker to engage in certain activities; prescribing required documentation for an applicant for a license to engage in social work who is the graduate of a foreign college or university; authorizing the Board of Examiners for Social Workers to place a license to engage in social work on inactive status and refuse to issue a license under certain circumstances; requiring an employee of the Board to submit a complaint against a licensee to the Board under certain circumstances; prohibiting a person from engaging in the unlicensed practice of social work; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law establishes educational requirements for the issuance of: (1) a license as a psychologist, clinical professional counselor, marriage and family therapist, marriage and family therapist intern, clinical professional counselor intern, social worker, clinical social worker, independent social worker, clinical alcohol and drug counselor, clinical alcohol and drug counselor intern or alcohol and drug counselor; (2) a registration as a psychological intern, psychological assistant or psychological trainee; or (3) a certificate as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor intern, alcohol and drug counselor, alcohol and drug counselor intern, problem gambling counselor or problem gambling counselor intern. (NRS 641.170, 641.226, 641A.220, 641A.231, 641A.287, 641A.288, 641B.220-641B.240, 641C.330, 641C.340, 641C.350, 641C.390, 641C.420, 641C.430, 641C.440) If the Board of Psychological Examiners, the Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors, the Board of Examiners for Social Workers or the Board of Examiners for Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Counselors requires the submission of official transcripts as proof of those educational qualifications, **sections 2, 5, 11.3 and 22.5** of this bill require those boards to provide an alternate means for an applicant to submit official transcripts if: (1) the college or university from which the applicant graduated has closed or has merged with another institution; and (2) the provision of official transcripts by ordinary means is not available or possible.

Existing law requires the Board of Psychological Examiners, the Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional



Counselors, the Board of Examiners for Social Workers and the Board of Examiners for Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Counselors to adopt regulations prescribing standards concerning the electronic supervision of persons obtaining supervised experience for licensure, including interns. (NRS 641.100, 641A.160, 641B.160, 641C.200) **Sections 2.5, 5.5, 11.7 and 23.5** of this bill require those boards to adopt regulations authorizing remote supervision, including electronic supervision, and prescribing standards for such remote supervision.

Existing law requires the Board of Psychological Examiners, the Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors, the Board of Examiners for Social Workers and the Board of Examiners for Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Counselors to report certain information concerning investigations of misconduct and applications for licensure or certification to the Legislative Committee on Health Care. (NRS 641.145, 641A.183, 641B.165, 641C.230) **Sections 3, 6, 12 and 24** of this bill: (1) require those licensing boards to submit those reports to the Chair of each regional behavioral health policy board; (2) require those reports to include certain information concerning applications for licensure or certification by endorsement; and (3) authorize the submission of those reports to the Chair of each regional behavioral health policy board in a written format.

Existing law authorizes the issuance of a license by endorsement as a psychologist, marriage and family therapist, clinical professional counselor, social worker, clinical social worker, independent social worker, clinical alcohol and drug counselor or alcohol and drug counselor, or a certificate by endorsement as an alcohol and drug counselor or problem gambling counselor, to a person who is licensed or certified, as applicable, in another jurisdiction of the United States and meets certain other requirements. (NRS 641.195, 641A.241, 641B.271, 641C.3305, 641C.355, 641C.395, 641C.432) Existing law: (1) prescribes similar requirements for the issuance of an expedited license or certificate, as applicable, by endorsement to practice in those professions to an applicant who is an active member of, or the spouse of an active member of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran; and (2) authorizes the issuance of a provisional license to such an applicant before making a final decision. (NRS 641.196, 641A.242, 641B.272, 641C.3306, 641C.356, 641C.396, 641C.433) Existing law reduces certain fees for such applicants. (NRS 641.228, 641A.290, 641B.300, 641C.470) **Sections 3.6, 6.8, 17.5, 25.2-25.8 and 33.5** of this bill combine sections governing expedited licensure or certification by endorsement for a general applicant with sections governing licensure or certification by endorsement for an active member of, or the spouse of an active member of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran. The combined provisions: (1) authorize the issuance of a license or certificate by endorsement when the statutory requirements are met; (2) revise various requirements for the issuance of licenses and certificates by endorsement; and (3) authorize the issuance of a provisional license or certificate for any reason. **Sections 3.3, 6.2-6.6 and 24.5** of this bill make conforming changes which remove references to repealed sections. **Sections 4.5, 7.5, 20 and 25.9** of this bill make conforming changes so that active members of, or the spouses of active members of, the Armed Forces of the United States, veterans and the surviving spouses of veterans continue to receive reductions in fees.

Existing law authorizes the Board of Examiners for Social Workers to issue a license as: (1) a social worker to an applicant who possesses a baccalaureate degree or master's degree in social work and passes an examination; (2) an independent social worker to an applicant who possesses a master's or doctoral degree in social work, completes at least 3,000 hours of supervised, postgraduate social work and



passes an examination; and (3) a clinical social worker to an applicant who possesses a master's or doctoral degree in social work, completes at least 3,000 hours of supervised, postgraduate clinical social work and passes an examination. (NRS 641B.220, 641B.230, 641B.240) **Section 9** of this bill additionally authorizes the Board to issue a license as a master social worker to an applicant who possesses a master's or doctoral degree in social work and passes an examination. **Sections 9 and 22** of this bill authorize a master social worker to engage in independent social work or clinical social work as part of an approved internship program to complete the requirements for licensure as an independent or clinical social worker, as applicable. **Section 9** additionally authorizes a master social worker to supervise other persons engaging in the practice of social work. **Section 20** of this bill establishes the maximum fees that the Board is authorized to charge and collect for the issuance and renewal of a license as a master social worker. **Sections 1, 13, 26 and 28-31** of this bill make conforming changes to ensure that a master social worker is treated similarly to other types of social worker in various circumstances.

Sections 9, 10, 14-16 and 18 of this bill authorize the Board of Examiners for Social Workers to issue a license as a social worker, master social worker, independent social worker, or clinical social worker, or a provisional license as a social worker to an applicant who has graduated from a foreign college or university if the applicant submits certain documentation concerning his or her degree and meets the other requirements for licensure. **Section 11** of this bill authorizes the Board to put a license on inactive status for not more than 5 years upon the application of a licensee who is in good standing. **Sections 11 and 19** of this bill exempt a licensee who holds an inactive license from the requirement to complete continuing education, and **sections 11 and 22** of this bill prohibit an inactive licensee from engaging in the practice of social work. **Section 17** of this bill revises the conditions under which the Board is authorized to refuse to issue a license. **Section 21** of this bill requires an employee of the Board who is aware that grounds for disciplinary action may exist against a person practicing social work to submit a complaint to the Board.

Existing law makes it a misdemeanor for a person to engage in: (1) the independent practice of social work unless he or she is licensed as an independent social worker or a clinical social worker; or (2) the clinical practice of social work unless he or she is licensed as a clinical social worker. (NRS 641B.505) **Section 22** of this bill additionally makes it a misdemeanor to engage in the practice of social work unless a person is licensed as an associate in social work, social worker, master social worker, independent social worker or clinical social worker. **Sections 15 and 22** of this bill authorize an independent social worker to engage in clinical social work as part of an approved internship program to complete the requirements for licensure as a clinical social worker.

Existing law authorizes a clinical social worker to engage in the practice of counseling persons with alcohol or other substance use disorders and counseling persons with an addictive disorder related to gambling with the authorization of the Board of Examiners for Social Workers. (NRS 641C.130) **Section 23** of this bill additionally authorizes a person who is licensed as a master social worker or independent social worker and engaging in clinical social work as part of an approved internship program to engage in such counseling with the authorization of the Board.



EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~for mitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 629.031 is hereby amended to read as follows:
629.031 Except as otherwise provided by a specific statute:

1. “Provider of health care” means:
 - (a) A physician licensed pursuant to chapter 630, 630A or 633 of NRS;
 - (b) A physician assistant;
 - (c) A dentist;
 - (d) A licensed nurse;
 - (e) A person who holds a license as an attendant or who is certified as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic pursuant to chapter 450B of NRS;
 - (f) A dispensing optician;
 - (g) An optometrist;
 - (h) A speech-language pathologist;
 - (i) An audiologist;
 - (j) A practitioner of respiratory care;
 - (k) A licensed physical therapist;
 - (l) An occupational therapist;
 - (m) A podiatric physician;
 - (n) A licensed psychologist;
 - (o) A licensed marriage and family therapist;
 - (p) A licensed clinical professional counselor;
 - (q) A music therapist;
 - (r) A chiropractor;
 - (s) An athletic trainer;
 - (t) A perfusionist;
 - (u) A doctor of Oriental medicine in any form;
 - (v) A medical laboratory director or technician;
 - (w) A pharmacist;
 - (x) A licensed dietitian;
 - (y) An associate in social work, a social worker, *a master social worker*, an independent social worker or a clinical social worker licensed pursuant to chapter 641B of NRS;
 - (z) An alcohol and drug counselor or a problem gambling counselor who is certified pursuant to chapter 641C of NRS;
 - (aa) An alcohol and drug counselor or a clinical alcohol and drug counselor who is licensed pursuant to chapter 641C of NRS; or



(bb) A medical facility as the employer of any person specified in this subsection.

2. For the purposes of NRS 629.400 to 629.490, inclusive, the term includes:

(a) A person who holds a license or certificate issued pursuant to chapter 631 of NRS; and

(b) A person who holds a current license or certificate to practice his or her respective discipline pursuant to the applicable provisions of law of another state or territory of the United States.

Sec. 2. Chapter 641 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

If the Board requires an applicant for a license or registration pursuant to this chapter to submit official transcripts as proof of his or her educational qualifications, the Board must provide an alternate means for the applicant to submit official transcripts if:

1. The college or university from which the applicant graduated has closed or has merged with another institution; and

2. The provision of official transcripts by ordinary means is not available or possible.

Sec. 2.5. NRS 641.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641.100 1. The Board shall adopt regulations : ~~{prescribing:}~~

(a) ~~{Uniform}~~ *Prescribing uniform* standards concerning the locations at which persons obtaining supervised experience that is required for licensure by the Board provide services;

(b) ~~{Standards concerning}~~ *Authorizing the remote supervision, including, without limitation, electronic supervision , of persons obtaining supervised experience that is required for licensure by the Board who are working at remote sites {;} and prescribing standards concerning such remote supervision; and*

(c) ~~{A}~~ *Prescribing a* manner by which the qualifications for the issuance or renewal of a license under the provisions of this chapter will be made available to the public such that those qualifications are clearly defined and easily understood.

2. The Board may make and promulgate any other rules and regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter governing its procedure, the examination and licensure of applicants, the granting, refusal, revocation or suspension of licenses, the registration of persons as psychological assistants, psychological interns or psychological trainees and the practice of psychology.

3. On the date that the Board gives notice pursuant to NRS 233B.060 of its intent to adopt, amend or repeal a regulation, the Board shall submit the regulation to the Commission on Behavioral



Health for review. The Commission shall review the regulation and make recommendations to the Board concerning the advisability of adopting, amending or repealing the regulation and any changes that the Commission deems advisable.

Sec. 3. NRS 641.145 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641.145 **1.** On or before February 1 of each year, the Board shall submit to the Legislative Committee on Health Care *and to the Chair of each regional behavioral health policy board created by NRS 433.429* a report which must include:

~~1.]~~ **(a)** The number of complaints received, investigations completed, cases dismissed, cases settled and cases for which hearings were held within the immediately preceding calendar year;

~~and~~

~~—2.]~~ **(b)** The number of applications for the issuance or renewal of a license or registration received by the Board during the immediately preceding calendar year and the number of those applications for which the Board conducted additional review beyond the standard review regularly conducted by the Board ~~1.]~~ ;
and

(c) *The number of applications for the issuance of a license by endorsement received by the Board pursuant to NRS 641.196 during the immediately preceding calendar year, the number of those applications that were denied and the reasons for denial.*

2. *The report submitted pursuant to this section to the Chair of each regional behavioral health policy board created by NRS 433.429 may be submitted in a written format.*

Sec. 3.3. NRS 641.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641.170 **1.** Except as otherwise provided in NRS ~~641.195~~ ~~and~~ 641.196, each application for licensure as a psychologist must be accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

(a) Is at least 21 years of age.

(b) Is of good moral character as determined by the Board.

(c) Has earned a doctorate in psychology from an accredited educational institution approved by the Board, or has other doctorate-level training from an accredited educational institution deemed equivalent by the Board in both subject matter and extent of training.

(d) Has at least 2 years of experience satisfactory to the Board, 1 year of which must be postdoctoral experience in accordance with the requirements established by regulations of the Board.



2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS ~~641.195 and~~ 641.196, within 120 days after receiving an application and the accompanying evidence from an applicant, the Board shall:

(a) Evaluate the application and accompanying evidence and determine whether the applicant is qualified pursuant to this section for licensure; and

(b) Issue a written statement to the applicant of its determination.

3. The written statement issued to the applicant pursuant to subsection 2 must include:

(a) If the Board determines that the qualifications of the applicant are insufficient for licensure, a detailed explanation of the reasons for that determination.

(b) If the applicant for licensure as a psychologist has not earned a doctorate in psychology from an accredited educational institution approved by the Board and the Board determines that the doctorate-level training from an accredited educational institution is not equivalent in subject matter and extent of training, a detailed explanation of the reasons for that determination.

Sec. 3.6. NRS 641.196 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641.196 1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement as a psychologist to an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a license if the applicant ~~is~~:

~~—(a) Holds~~ **holds** a corresponding valid and unrestricted license as a psychologist in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States . ~~is; and~~

~~—(b) Is an active member of, or the spouse of an active member of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran.]~~

2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:

(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

(2) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license as a psychologist; and

(3) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States;



(b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner provided in NRS 641.160;

(c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the application and any accompanying material is true and correct;

(d) The fee prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 641.228 for the issuance of an initial license; and

(e) Any other information required by the Board.

3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an application for a license by endorsement as a psychologist pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional information required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a license by endorsement as a psychologist to the applicant not later than ~~15~~

~~—(a) Forty five] 45 days after receiving all the additional information required by the Board to complete the application. ~~15~~; or~~
~~—(b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's fingerprints, whichever occurs later.]~~

4. A license by endorsement as a psychologist may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.

5. At any time before making a final decision on an application for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section, the Board may *, for any reason,* grant a provisional license authorizing an applicant to practice as a psychologist in accordance with regulations adopted by the Board.

~~[6. As used in this section, "veteran" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 417.005.]~~

Sec. 4. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 4.5. NRS 641.228 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641.228 1. The Board shall charge and collect not more than the following fees respectively:

For the national examination, in addition to the actual cost to the Board of the examination	\$100
For any other examination required pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 641.180, in addition to the actual costs to the Board of the examination	100
For the issuance of an initial license.....	25



For the issuance of an initial license by endorsement	\$125
For the biennial renewal of a license of a psychologist.....	850
For the restoration of a license suspended for the nonpayment of the biennial fee for the renewal of a license.....	200
For the restoration of a license suspended for the nonsubmission of evidence to the Board of completion of the requirements for continuing education as required for the renewal of the license.....	200
For the registration of a firm, partnership or corporation which engages in or offers to engage in the practice of psychology	300
For the registration of a nonresident to practice as a consultant	100
For the initial registration of a psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological trainee.....	250
For the renewal of a registration of a psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological trainee.....	150

2. An applicant who passes the national examination and any other examination required pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 641.180 and who is eligible for a license as a psychologist shall pay the biennial fee for the renewal of a license, which must be prorated for the period from the date the license is issued to the end of the biennium.

3. ~~Except as otherwise provided in subsections 4 and 5 and NRS 641.195, in~~ *In* addition to the fees set forth in subsection 1, the Board may charge and collect a fee for the expedited processing of a request or for any other incidental service it provides. The fee must not exceed the cost to provide the service.

4. ~~¶~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, if* an applicant submits an application for a license by endorsement pursuant to NRS ~~[641.195,]~~ *641.196*, the Board shall charge and collect:

(a) Not more than the fee specified in subsection 1 for the issuance of an initial license by endorsement; and



(b) The biennial fee for the renewal of a license, which must be prorated for the period from the date the license is issued to the end of the biennium.

5. If an ~~{applicant}~~ *active member of, or the spouse of an active member of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran* submits an application for a license by endorsement pursuant to NRS 641.196, the Board shall collect not more than one-half of the fee set forth in subsection 1 for the initial issuance of the license by endorsement.

6. If an applicant submits an application for initial registration as a psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological trainee pursuant to NRS 641.226 and the applicant has previously been registered as a psychological assistant, psychological intern or psychological trainee, the Board must waive the fee set forth in subsection 1 for the initial registration.

7. *As used in this section, "veteran" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 417.005.*

Sec. 5. Chapter 641A of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

If the Board requires an applicant for a license to practice as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor to submit official transcripts as proof of his or her educational qualifications, the Board must provide an alternate means for the applicant to submit official transcripts if:

1. *The college or university from which the applicant graduated has closed or has merged with another institution; and*
2. *The provision of official transcripts by ordinary means is not available or possible.*

Sec. 5.5. NRS 641A.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641A.160 1. The Board shall adopt regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter governing its procedure, the examination and licensing of applicants, the granting, refusal, revocation or suspension of licenses, and the practice of marriage and family therapy and the practice of clinical professional counseling as those practices apply to this chapter.

2. The regulations adopted pursuant to subsection 1 must : ~~{prescribe:}~~

(a) ~~{Uniform}~~ *Prescribe uniform* standards concerning the locations at which interns provide services;

(b) ~~{Standards concerning}~~ *Authorize* the *remote supervision, including, without limitation,* electronic supervision , of interns



working at remote sites ~~H~~ and *prescribe standards concerning such remote supervision; and*

(c) ~~A~~ *Prescribe a* manner by which the qualifications for the issuance or renewal of a license under the provisions of this chapter will be made available to the public such that those qualifications are clearly defined and easily understood.

3. On the date that the Board gives notice pursuant to NRS 233B.060 of its intent to adopt, amend or repeal a regulation, the Board shall submit the regulation to the Commission on Behavioral Health for review. The Commission shall review the regulation and make recommendations to the Board concerning the advisability of adopting, amending or repealing the regulation and any changes that the Commission deems advisable.

Sec. 6. NRS 641A.183 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641A.183 *1.* On or before February 1 of each year, the Board shall submit to the Legislative Committee on Health Care *and to the Chair of each regional behavioral health policy board created by NRS 433.429* a report which must include:

~~H~~ *(a)* The number of complaints received, investigations completed, cases dismissed, cases settled and cases for which hearings were held within the immediately preceding calendar year;

~~and~~

~~—2.~~ *(b)* The number of applications for the issuance or renewal of a license received by the Board during the immediately preceding calendar year and the number of those applications for which the Board conducted additional review beyond the standard review regularly conducted by the Board ~~H~~; *and*

(c) The number of applications for the issuance of a license by endorsement received by the Board pursuant to NRS 641A.242 during the immediately preceding calendar year, the number of those applications that were denied and the reasons for denial.

2. The report submitted pursuant to this section to the Chair of each regional behavioral health policy board created by NRS 433.429 may be submitted in a written format.

Sec. 6.2. NRS 641A.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641A.220 Except as otherwise provided in NRS ~~641A.241 and~~ 641A.242, each applicant for a license to practice as a marriage and family therapist must furnish evidence satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

1. Is at least 21 years of age;
2. Is of good moral character;



3. Has completed residency training in psychiatry from an accredited institution approved by the Board, has a graduate degree in marriage and family therapy, psychology or social work from an accredited institution approved by the Board or has completed other education and training which is deemed equivalent by the Board;

4. Has:

(a) At least 2 years of postgraduate experience in marriage and family therapy; and

(b) At least 3,000 hours of supervised experience in marriage and family therapy, of which at least 1,500 hours must consist of direct contact with clients; and

5. Holds an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution approved by the Board.

Sec. 6.4. NRS 641A.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641A.230 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 and NRS ~~641A.241 and~~ 641A.242, each qualified applicant for a license to practice as a marriage and family therapist must pass a written examination given by the Board on his or her knowledge of marriage and family therapy. Examinations must be given at a time and place and under such supervision as the Board may determine.

2. The Board shall accept receipt of a passing grade by a qualified applicant on the national examination sponsored by the Association of Marital and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards in lieu of requiring a written examination pursuant to subsection 1.

3. In addition to the requirements of subsections 1 and 2, the Board may require an oral examination. The Board may examine applicants in whatever applied or theoretical fields it deems appropriate.

Sec. 6.6. NRS 641A.231 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641A.231 Except as otherwise provided in NRS ~~641A.241 and~~ 641A.242, each applicant for a license to practice as a clinical professional counselor must furnish evidence satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

1. Is at least 21 years of age;

2. Is of good moral character;

3. Has:

(a) Completed residency training in psychiatry from an accredited institution approved by the Board;

(b) A graduate degree from a program approved by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs



as a program in mental health counseling or community counseling;
or

(c) An acceptable degree as determined by the Board which includes the completion of a practicum and internship in mental health counseling which was taken concurrently with the degree program and was supervised by a licensed mental health professional; and

4. Has:

(a) At least 2 years of postgraduate experience in professional counseling;

(b) At least 3,000 hours of supervised experience in professional counseling which includes, without limitation:

(1) At least 1,500 hours of direct contact with clients; and

(2) At least 100 hours of counseling under the direct supervision of an approved supervisor of which at least 1 hour per week was completed for each work setting at which the applicant provided counseling; and

(c) Passed the National Clinical Mental Health Counseling Examination which is administered by the National Board for Certified Counselors.

Sec. 6.8. NRS 641A.242 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641A.242 1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement to practice as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor to an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a license if the applicant ~~is~~:

~~—(a) Holds~~ holds a corresponding valid and unrestricted license as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor, as applicable, in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States . ~~is~~ and

~~—(b) Is an active member of, or the spouse of an active member of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran.]~~

2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:

(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

(2) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor, as applicable; and



(3) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States;

(b) *A complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a report on the applicant's background, and to such other law enforcement agencies as the Board deems necessary for a report on the applicant's background;*

(c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the application and any accompanying material is true and correct;

~~[(e)]~~ (d) The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 641A.290 for the application for an initial license and for the initial issuance of a license; and

~~[(d)]~~ (e) Any other information required by the Board.

3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an application for a license by endorsement to practice as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional information required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a license by endorsement to practice as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor, as applicable, to the applicant not later than 45 days after receiving all the additional information required by the Board to complete the application.

4. A license by endorsement to practice as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.

5. At any time before making a final decision on an application for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section, the Board may *, for any reason,* grant a provisional license authorizing an applicant to practice as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor, as applicable, in accordance with regulations adopted by the Board.

~~[6. — As used in this section, “veteran” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 417.005.]~~

Sec. 7. (Deleted by amendment.)



Sec. 7.5. NRS 641A.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641A.290 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the Board shall establish a schedule of fees for the following items which must not exceed the following amounts:

Application for an initial license	\$150
Initial issuance of a license.....	60
Biennial renewal of a license to practice as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor.....	450
Fee for late payment of the biennial renewal	125
Placement of a license to practice as a marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor on inactive status.....	200
Renewal of an intern’s license.....	150
Issuance of a duplicate license	10
Reevaluation of an applicant’s course work.....	50
Application for approval as a supervisor.....	75
Approval of a course or program of continuing education	25
Approval of a provider of continuing education	150

2. If an ~~applicant~~ *active member of, or the spouse of an active member of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran* submits an application for a license by endorsement pursuant to NRS 641A.242, the Board shall collect not more than one-half of the fee established pursuant to subsection 1 for the application for and initial issuance of the license.

3. *As used in this section, “veteran” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 417.005.*

Sec. 8. Chapter 641B of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 9 to 11.3, inclusive, of this act.

Sec. 9. 1. *The Board shall grant a license to engage in social work as a master social worker to any applicant who possesses the preliminary qualifications set forth in NRS 641B.200 and who:*

(a) Possesses a master’s or doctoral degree in social work from:



(1) A college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, or its successor organization, or which is a candidate for such accreditation; or

(2) A college or university located in a foreign country, or the equivalent of a master's or doctoral degree in social work from such a college or university, if the applicant includes in his or her application the documentation required by section 10 of this act; and

(b) Passes an examination prescribed by the Board.

2. A person licensed as a master social worker may:

(a) Engage in social work independently as part of an internship program approved by the Board to complete the supervised social work required for licensure as an independent social worker pursuant to NRS 641B.230;

(b) Engage in clinical social work as part of an internship program approved by the Board to complete the supervised, postgraduate, clinical social work required for licensure as a clinical social worker pursuant to NRS 641B.240; and

(c) Supervise other persons engaging in the practice of social work.

Sec. 10. 1. *If an applicant for a license to engage in social work is a graduate of a college or university located in a foreign country or currently enrolled in program of study leading to a degree in social work at such a college or university, the application must include:*

(a) Proof that the applicant possesses the degree required by NRS 641B.220, 641B.230, 641B.240 or 641B.275 or section 9 of this act, as applicable, or is enrolled in a program of study that meets the requirements of NRS 641B.275, as applicable; and

(b) If applicable, a written statement or other proof from the Council on Social Work Education or its successor organization that the degree is equivalent to a degree issued by a college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education or its successor organization.

2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the proof required by paragraph (a) of subsection 1 must be provided to the Board directly by the college or university that granted the degree. If the college or university is unable to provide such proof, the Board may accept proof from another source specified by the Board.

Sec. 11. 1. *An associate in social work, social worker, master social worker, independent social worker or clinical social worker may apply to the Board to have his or her license placed on*



inactive status. The Board may grant the application if the license is in good standing and the licensee has met all requirements for the issuance or renewal of a license as of the date of the application.

2. If the application is granted:

(a) The licensee must not engage in social work in this State unless the license is returned to active status; and

(b) The licensee is not required to complete continuing education unless his or her license is returned to active status.

3. The inactive status of a license is valid for 5 years after the date that the inactive status is granted.

4. If a license is placed on inactive status, the Board must not refund any portion of the renewal fee that was paid before the license was placed on inactive status.

5. The Board shall adopt regulations prescribing the:

(a) Procedures for making an application pursuant to this section;

(b) Procedures and terms upon which a person whose license has been placed on inactive status may have his or her license returned to active status; and

(c) Fees for the renewal of the inactive status of a license.

Sec. 11.3. *If the Board requires an applicant for a license pursuant to this chapter to submit official transcripts as proof of his or her educational qualifications, the Board must provide an alternate means for the applicant to submit official transcripts if:*

1. The college or university from which the applicant graduated has closed or has merged with another institution; and

2. The provision of the official transcripts by ordinary means is not available or possible.

Sec. 11.7. NRS 641B.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.160 1. The Board shall adopt:

(a) Such regulations as are necessary or desirable to enable it to carry out the provisions of this chapter;

(b) Regulations establishing reasonable standards for the psychiatric training and experience necessary for a clinical social worker to be authorized to make the certifications described in NRS 433A.170, 433A.195 and 433A.200;

(c) Regulations prescribing uniform standards concerning the locations at which interns provide services;

(d) Regulations ~~[prescribing standards concerning]~~ *authorizing the remote supervision, including, without limitation,* electronic



supervision , of interns working at remote sites ~~[H]~~ and *prescribing standards concerning such remote supervision; and*

(e) Regulations prescribing the manner by which the qualifications for the issuance or renewal of a license under the provisions of this chapter will be made available to the public such that those qualifications are clearly defined and easily understood.

2. On the date that the Board gives notice pursuant to NRS 233B.060 of its intent to adopt, amend or repeal a regulation, the Board shall submit the regulation to the Commission on Behavioral Health for review. The Commission shall review the regulation and make recommendations to the Board concerning the advisability of adopting, amending or repealing the regulation and any changes that the Commission deems advisable.

Sec. 12. NRS 641B.165 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.165 *1.* On or before February 1 of each year, the Board shall submit to the Legislative Committee on Health Care *and to the Chair of each regional behavioral health policy board created by NRS 433.429* a report which must include:

~~[H]~~ *(a)* The number of complaints received, investigations completed, cases dismissed, cases settled and cases for which hearings were held within the immediately preceding calendar year;

~~and~~

~~—2.]~~ *(b)* The number of applications for the issuance or renewal of a license received by the Board during the immediately preceding calendar year and the number of those applications for which the Board conducted additional review beyond the standard review regularly conducted by the Board ~~[H]~~; *and*

(c) The number of applications for the issuance of a license by endorsement received by the Board pursuant to NRS 641B.272 during the immediately preceding calendar year, the number of those applications that were denied and the reasons for denial.

2. The report submitted pursuant to this section to the Chair of each regional behavioral health policy board created by NRS 433.429 may be submitted in a written format.

Sec. 13. NRS 641B.206 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.206 *1.* In addition to any other requirements set forth in this chapter:

(a) An applicant for the issuance of a license to engage in social work as an associate in social work, a social worker, *a master social worker*, an independent social worker or a clinical social worker shall include the social security number of the applicant in the application submitted to the Board.



(b) An applicant for the renewal of a license to engage in social work as an associate in social work or the issuance or renewal of a license to engage in social work as a social worker, *a master social worker*, an independent social worker or a clinical social worker shall submit to the Board the statement prescribed by the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services of the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to NRS 425.520. The statement must be completed and signed by the applicant.

2. The Board shall include the statement required pursuant to subsection 1 in:

(a) The application or any other forms that must be submitted for the issuance or renewal of the license; or

(b) A separate form prescribed by the Board.

3. A license to engage in social work as an associate in social work, a social worker, *a master social worker*, an independent social worker or a clinical social worker may not be issued or renewed by the Board if the applicant:

(a) Fails to submit the statement required pursuant to subsection 1; or

(b) Indicates on the statement submitted pursuant to subsection 1 that the applicant is subject to a court order for the support of a child and is not in compliance with the order or a plan approved by the district attorney or other public agency enforcing the order for the repayment of the amount owed pursuant to the order.

4. If an applicant indicates on the statement submitted pursuant to subsection 1 that the applicant is subject to a court order for the support of a child and is not in compliance with the order or a plan approved by the district attorney or other public agency enforcing the order for the repayment of the amount owed pursuant to the order, the Board shall advise the applicant to contact the district attorney or other public agency enforcing the order to determine the actions that the applicant may take to satisfy the arrearage.

Sec. 14. NRS 641B.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.220 1. The Board shall grant a license to engage in social work as a social worker to any applicant who possesses the preliminary qualifications set forth in NRS 641B.200 and who:

(a) Possesses a baccalaureate degree or master's degree in social work from ~~the~~:

(1) A college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, *or its successor organization*, or which is a candidate for such accreditation ~~the~~; or

(2) *A college or university located in a foreign country, or the equivalent of a baccalaureate degree or master's degree in*



social work from such a college or university, if the applicant includes in his or her application the documentation required by section 10 of this act; and

(b) Passes an examination prescribed by the Board.

2. The Board shall grant a license to engage in social work as a social worker to an applicant licensed as an associate in social work who:

(a) Possesses the preliminary qualifications set forth in NRS 641B.200;

(b) Possesses a baccalaureate degree or master's degree in a related field, or has completed equivalent course work in a related field;

(c) Completes 3,000 hours of employment in Nevada as an associate in social work; and

(d) Passes an examination prescribed by the Board.

3. A person who is granted a license to engage in social work as a social worker pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 may supervise another person engaged in the practice of social work.

Sec. 15. NRS 641B.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.230 1. The Board shall grant a license to engage in social work as an independent social worker to any applicant who possesses the preliminary qualifications set forth in NRS 641B.200 and who:

(a) Possesses a master's or doctoral degree in social work from

~~and~~:

(1) A college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, or its successor organization, or which is a candidate for such accreditation ~~and~~; or

(2) A college or university located in a foreign country, or the equivalent of a master's or doctoral degree in social work from such a college or university, if the applicant includes in his or her application the documentation required by section 10 of this act.

(b) Completes 3,000 hours of supervised, postgraduate social work approved by the Board.

(c) Passes an examination prescribed by the Board.

2. A person licensed as an independent social worker may:

(a) Engage in social work independently or within an agency;

~~and~~

(b) Engage in clinical social work as part of an internship program approved by the Board to complete the supervised clinical social work required for licensure as a clinical social worker pursuant to NRS 641B.240; and



(c) Supervise other persons engaging in the practice of social work.

Sec. 16. NRS 641B.240 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.240 1. The Board shall grant a license to engage in social work as a clinical social worker to any applicant who possesses the preliminary qualifications set forth in NRS 641B.200 and who:

(a) Possesses a master's or doctoral degree in social work from ~~the~~:

(1) A college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, *or its successor organization*, or which is a candidate for such accreditation ~~the~~; or

(2) *A college or university located in a foreign country, or the equivalent of a master's or doctoral degree in social work from such a college or university, if the applicant includes in his or her application the documentation required by section 10 of this act.*

(b) Completes 3,000 hours of supervised, postgraduate, clinical social work approved by the Board.

(c) Passes an examination prescribed by the Board.

2. A person licensed as a clinical social worker may:

(a) Engage in social work independently or within an agency; ~~and~~

(b) *Engage in clinical social work; and*

(c) Supervise other persons engaging in the practice of social work.

Sec. 17. NRS 641B.260 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.260 1. The Board may hold hearings and conduct investigations into any matter related to an application for licensure. The Board may require the presentation of evidence.

2. The Board may refuse to issue a license to an applicant if the applicant:

(a) Is not of good moral character as it relates to the practice of social work;

(b) Has submitted any false credential to the Board;

(c) Has been disciplined in another state in connection with the practice of social work *or a related profession* or has committed any act in another state which is a violation of this chapter; ~~or~~

(d) *Has committed an act that constitutes grounds for initiating disciplinary action pursuant to NRS 641B.400;*

(e) *Has entered a plea of guilty, guilty but mentally ill or nolo contendere to, been found guilty or guilty but mentally ill of, or been convicted, in this State or any other jurisdiction, of a crime arising out of, in connection with or related to the activities of*



such a person in such a manner as to demonstrate his or her unfitness to engage in social work, and the time for appeal has elapsed or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal; or

(f) Fails to comply with any other requirements for licensure.

Sec. 17.5. NRS 641B.272 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.272 1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement to engage in social work to an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a license if the applicant ~~f;~~

~~—(a) Holds~~ *holds* a corresponding valid and unrestricted license to engage in social work in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States . ~~f; and~~

~~—(b) Is an active member of, or the spouse of an active member of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran.]~~

2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:

(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

(2) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license to engage in social work; *and*

(3) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States; ~~and~~

~~—(4) Is currently engaged in social work under the license held required by paragraph (a) of subsection 1;]~~

(b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner provided in NRS 641B.202;

(c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the application and any accompanying material is true and correct; ~~and]~~

(d) *The fee prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 641B.300 for the initial application; and*

(e) Any other information required by the Board.

3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an application for a license by endorsement to engage in social work pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional information required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the application for good cause,



the Board shall approve the application and issue a license by endorsement to engage in social work to the applicant not later than ~~f~~

~~—(a) Forty five]~~ **45** days after receiving all the additional information required by the Board to complete the application. ~~]; or~~
~~—(b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the applicant’s background based on the submission of the applicant’s fingerprints, whichever occurs later.]~~

4. A license by endorsement to engage in social work may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.

5. At any time before making a final decision on an application for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section, the Board may **, for any reason,** grant a provisional license authorizing an applicant to engage in social work in accordance with regulations adopted by the Board.

~~[6.—As used in this section, “veteran” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 417.005.]~~

Sec. 18. NRS 641B.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.275 1. The Board shall grant a provisional license to engage in social work as a social worker to a person:

(a) Who applies to take the next available examination and who is otherwise eligible to be a social worker pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 641B.220; or

(b) Who:

(1) Possesses a baccalaureate degree or a master’s degree in a related field of study from ~~am~~ :

(I) An accredited college or university recognized by the Board; **or**

(II) A college or university located in a foreign country, or the equivalent of a baccalaureate degree or a master’s degree in a related field from such a college or university, if the applicant includes in his or her application the documentation required by section 10 of this act; and

(2) Presents evidence of enrollment in a program of study leading to a degree in social work at ~~am~~ :

(I) A college or university accredited by the Council on Social Work Education or which is a candidate for such accreditation and which is approved by the Board ~~am~~; **or**

(II) A college or university located in a foreign country, or a program of study leading to the equivalent of a degree in social work from such a college or university, if the applicant



includes in his or her application the documentation required by section 10 of this act.

2. The Board shall grant a provisional license to engage in social work as an independent social worker to a person who applies to take the next available examination and who is otherwise eligible to be an independent social worker pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 641B.230.

3. The Board shall grant a provisional license to engage in social work as a clinical social worker to a person who applies to take the next available examination and who is otherwise eligible to be a clinical social worker pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 641B.240.

4. The Board shall establish by regulation the period during which a provisional license issued pursuant to this section will be valid. The period must be:

(a) No longer than 9 months for a person who is granted a provisional license to engage in social work pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 or subsection 2 or 3; and

(b) No longer than 3 years for a person who is granted a provisional license to engage in social work pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1.

Sec. 19. NRS 641B.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.280 1. Every holder of a license issued pursuant to this chapter may renew his or her license annually by:

(a) Applying to the Board for renewal;

(b) Paying the annual renewal fee set by the Board;

(c) ~~Submitting~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this act, submitting* evidence to the Board of completion of the required continuing education as set forth in regulations adopted by the Board; and

(d) Submitting all information required to complete the renewal.

2. ~~The~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this act, the* Board shall, as a prerequisite for the renewal of a license, require the holder to comply with the requirements for continuing education adopted by the Board, which must include, without limitation, a requirement that every 2 years the holder receive at least 2 hours of instruction on evidence-based suicide prevention and awareness or another course of instruction on suicide prevention and awareness that is approved by the Board which the Board has determined to be effective and appropriate.

Sec. 20. NRS 641B.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.300 1. The Board shall charge and collect fees not to exceed the following amounts for:



Initial application.....	\$200
Provisional license.....	150
Initial issuance of a license as a social worker <i>or</i> <i>master social worker</i>	250
Initial issuance of a license as a clinical social worker or an independent social worker	350
Initial issuance of a license by endorsement	200
Annual renewal of a license as a social worker , <i>master social worker</i> or an associate in social work.....	175
Annual renewal of a license as a clinical social worker or an independent social worker	225
Restoration of a suspended license or reinstatement of a revoked license.....	150
Restoration of an expired license	200
Renewal of a delinquent license	100

2. If an ~~[applicant]~~ *active member of, or the spouse of an active member of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran* submits an application for a license by endorsement pursuant to NRS 641B.272, the Board shall collect not more than one-half of the fee set forth in subsection 1 for the initial issuance of the license.

3. *As used in this section, “veteran” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 417.005.*

Sec. 21. NRS 641B.410 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.410 1. The Board, any ~~[of its members]~~ *member or employee of the Board* or any member of a review panel of social workers who becomes aware that any one or combination of the grounds for initiating disciplinary action may exist as to a person practicing social work in this State shall, and any other person who is so aware may, file a written complaint specifying the relevant facts with the Board. The complaint must specifically charge one or more of the grounds for initiating disciplinary action.

2. The Board shall retain all complaints filed with the Board pursuant to this section for at least 10 years, including, without limitation, any complaints not acted upon.

Sec. 22. NRS 641B.505 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641B.505 1. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, it is unlawful for a person to engage in:

(a) The independent practice of social work unless he or she ~~is licensed~~ :



(1) *Holds an active license* as a clinical social worker or an independent social worker pursuant to this chapter ~~§~~; or

(2) *Holds an active license as a master social worker pursuant to this chapter and is engaging in the independent practice of social work under the conditions prescribed in section 9 of this act.*

(b) The clinical practice of social work unless he or she ~~is licensed~~:

(1) *Holds an active license* as a clinical social worker *issued* pursuant to this chapter ~~§~~; or

(2) *Holds an active license as an independent social worker or master social worker issued pursuant to this chapter and is engaging in clinical social work under the conditions prescribed in NRS 641B.230 or section 9 of this act, as applicable.*

(c) *The practice of social work unless he or she holds an active license as an associate in social work, a social worker, a master social worker, an independent social worker or a clinical social worker issued pursuant to this chapter.*

2. As used in this section, “independent practice of social work” means the unsupervised practice of social work, other than for a public employer, for compensation.

Sec. 22.5. Chapter 641C of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

If the Board requires an applicant for a license or certificate pursuant to this chapter to submit official transcripts as proof of his or her educational qualifications, the Board must provide an alternate means for the applicant to submit official transcripts if:

- 1. The college or university from which the applicant has graduated has closed or has merged with another institution; and*
- 2. The provision of official transcripts by ordinary means is not available or possible.*

Sec. 23. NRS 641C.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641C.130 The provisions of this chapter do not apply to:

1. A physician who is licensed pursuant to the provisions of chapter 630 or 633 of NRS;
2. A nurse who is licensed pursuant to the provisions of chapter 632 of NRS and is authorized by the State Board of Nursing to engage in the practice of counseling persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders or the practice of counseling persons with an addictive disorder related to gambling;
3. A psychologist who is licensed pursuant to the provisions of chapter 641 of NRS or authorized to practice psychology in this



State pursuant to the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact enacted in NRS 641.227;

4. A clinical professional counselor or clinical professional counselor intern who is licensed pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS;

5. A marriage and family therapist or marriage and family therapist intern who is licensed pursuant to the provisions of chapter 641A of NRS and is authorized by the Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors to engage in the practice of counseling persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders or the practice of counseling persons with an addictive disorder related to gambling; or

6. A person who is ~~licensed as a~~:

(a) *Licensed as:*

(1) A clinical social worker pursuant to the provisions of chapter 641B of NRS ; or

(2) *A master social worker or independent social worker pursuant to the provisions of chapter 641B of NRS and is engaging in clinical social work as part of an internship program approved by the Board of Examiners for Social Workers; and ~~is authorized~~*

(b) *Authorized* by the Board of Examiners for Social Workers to engage in the practice of counseling persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders or the practice of counseling persons with an addictive disorder related to gambling.

Sec. 23.5. NRS 641C.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641C.200 1. The Board shall adopt such regulations as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter, including, without limitation, regulations that : ~~prescribe:~~

(a) ~~The~~ *Prescribe the* ethical standards for licensed and certified counselors and certified interns;

(b) ~~The~~ *Prescribe the* requirements for continuing education for the renewal, restoration or reinstatement of a license or certificate;

(c) ~~Uniform~~ *Prescribe uniform* standards concerning the locations at which interns provide services;

(d) ~~Standards concerning~~ *Authorize* the *remote supervision, including, without limitation,* electronic supervision , of interns working at remote sites ~~;~~ and *prescribe standards concerning such remote supervision; and*

(e) ~~The~~ *Prescribe the* manner by which the qualifications for the issuance or renewal of a license or certificate under the



provisions of this chapter will be made available to the public such that those qualifications are clearly defined and easily understood.

2. The Board may adopt regulations that prescribe:

(a) The contents of a written and oral examination concerning the practice of counseling persons with an addictive disorder related to gambling;

(b) The grounds for initiating disciplinary action against a certified problem gambling counselor or certified problem gambling counselor intern; and

(c) Disciplinary procedures for certified problem gambling counselors and certified problem gambling counselor interns, including the suspension, revocation and reinstatement of a certificate as a problem gambling counselor or problem gambling counselor intern.

3. Any regulations adopted by the Board pursuant to this section must be consistent with the provisions of chapter 622A of NRS.

4. On the date that the Board gives notice pursuant to NRS 233B.060 of its intent to adopt, amend or repeal a regulation, the Board shall submit the regulation to the Commission on Behavioral Health for review. The Commission shall review the regulation and make recommendations to the Board concerning the advisability of adopting, amending or repealing the regulation and any changes that the Commission deems advisable.

Sec. 24. NRS 641C.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641C.230 **1.** On or before February 1 of each year, the Board shall submit to the Legislative Committee on Health Care *and to the Chair of each regional behavioral health policy board created by NRS 433.429* a report which must include:

~~1.]~~ (a) The number of complaints received, investigations completed, cases dismissed, cases settled and cases for which hearings were held within the immediately preceding calendar year;

~~and~~

~~2.]~~ (b) The number of applications for the issuance or renewal of a license or certificate received by the Board during the immediately preceding calendar year and the number of those applications for which the Board conducted additional review beyond the standard review regularly conducted by the Board ~~1.]~~ ;

and

(c) The number of applications for the issuance of a license or certificate by endorsement received by the Board pursuant to NRS 641C.3306, 641C.356, 641C.396 and 641C.433 during the



immediately preceding calendar year, the number of those applications that were denied and the reasons for denial.

2. The report submitted pursuant to this section to the Chair of each regional behavioral health policy board created by NRS 433.429 may be submitted in a written format.

Sec. 24.5. NRS 641C.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641C.290 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 641C.300 ~~[- 641C.3305]~~ and 641C.3306, each applicant for a license as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor must pass a written and oral examination concerning his or her knowledge of the clinical practice of counseling persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders, the applicable provisions of this chapter and any applicable regulations adopted by the Board pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 641C.300, ~~[641C.355.]~~ 641C.356 ~~[- 641C.395]~~ and 641C.396, each applicant for a license or certificate as an alcohol and drug counselor must pass a written and oral examination concerning his or her knowledge of the practice of counseling persons with alcohol and other substance use disorders, the applicable provisions of this chapter and any applicable regulations adopted by the Board pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS ~~[641C.432 and]~~ 641C.433, each applicant for a certificate as a problem gambling counselor must pass a written and oral examination concerning his or her knowledge of the practice of counseling persons with an addictive disorder related to gambling, the applicable provisions of this chapter and any applicable regulations adopted by the Board pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

4. The Board shall:

(a) Examine applicants at least two times each year.

(b) Establish the time and place for the examinations.

(c) Provide such books and forms as may be necessary to conduct the examinations.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 622.090, establish, by regulation, the requirements for passing the examination.

5. The Board may employ other persons to conduct the examinations.

Sec. 25. (Deleted by amendment.)



Sec. 25.2. NRS 641C.3306 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641C.3306 1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor to an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a license if the applicant ~~is~~:

~~—(a) Holds~~ **holds** a corresponding valid and unrestricted license as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States . ~~is and~~

~~—(b) Is an active member of, or the spouse of an active member of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran.~~

2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:

(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

(2) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor; and

(3) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States;

(b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner provided in NRS 641C.260;

(c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the application and any accompanying material is true and correct;

(d) The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 641C.470 for the initial application for and issuance of an initial license; and

(e) Any other information required by the Board.

3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an application for a license by endorsement as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional information required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a license by endorsement as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor to the applicant not later than ~~is~~:

~~—(a) Forty five~~ **45** days after receiving all the additional information required by the Board to complete the application . ~~is or~~



~~—(b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the applicant’s background based on the submission of the applicant’s fingerprints, whichever occurs later.]~~

4. A license by endorsement as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.

5. At any time before making a final decision on an application for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section, the Board may, *for any reason*, grant a provisional license authorizing an applicant to practice as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor in accordance with regulations adopted by the Board.

~~[6. As used in this section, “veteran” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 417.005.]~~

Sec. 25.4. NRS 641C.356 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641C.356 1. The Board may issue a license by endorsement as an alcohol and drug counselor to an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a license if the applicant ~~is~~

~~—(a) Holds]~~ *holds* a corresponding valid and unrestricted license as an alcohol and drug counselor in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States . ~~is; and~~

~~—(b) Is an active member of, or the spouse of an active member of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran.]~~

2. An applicant for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:

(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

(2) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or the state or territory in which the applicant holds a license as an alcohol and drug counselor; and

(3) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States;

(b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner provided in NRS 641C.260;

(c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the application and any accompanying material is true and correct;



(d) The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 641C.470 for the initial application for and issuance of an initial license; and

(e) Any other information required by the Board.

3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an application for a license by endorsement as an alcohol and drug counselor pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional information required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a license by endorsement as an alcohol and drug counselor to the applicant not later than ~~15~~

~~—(a) Forty five] 45~~ days after receiving all the additional information required by the Board to complete the application . ~~15; or~~

~~—(b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's fingerprints, whichever occurs later.]~~

4. A license by endorsement as an alcohol and drug counselor may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.

5. At any time before making a final decision on an application for a license by endorsement pursuant to this section, the Board may *, for any reason,* grant a provisional license authorizing an applicant to practice as an alcohol and drug counselor in accordance with regulations adopted by the Board.

~~[6. — As used in this section, “veteran” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 417.005.]~~

Sec. 25.6. NRS 641C.396 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641C.396 1. The Board may issue a certificate by endorsement as an alcohol and drug counselor to an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a certificate if the applicant ~~15~~

~~—(a) Holds] holds~~ a corresponding valid and unrestricted certificate as an alcohol and drug counselor in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States . ~~15; and~~

~~—(b) Is an active member of, or the spouse of an active member of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran.]~~

2. An applicant for a certificate by endorsement pursuant to this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:

(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:



- (1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;
- (2) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or the state or territory in which the applicant holds a certificate as an alcohol and drug counselor; and
- (3) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States;
 - (b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner provided in NRS 641C.260;
 - (c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the application and any accompanying material is true and correct;
 - (d) The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 641C.470 for the initial application for and issuance of an initial certificate; and
 - (e) Any other information required by the Board.

3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an application for a certificate by endorsement as an alcohol and drug counselor pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional information required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a certificate by endorsement as an alcohol and drug counselor to the applicant not later than ~~15~~:

- ~~—(a) Forty five] 45~~ days after receiving all additional information required by the Board to complete the application. ~~15; or~~
~~—(b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the applicant's background based on the submission of the applicant's fingerprints, whichever occurs later.]~~

4. A certificate by endorsement as an alcohol and drug counselor may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.

5. At any time before making a final decision on an application for a certificate by endorsement pursuant to this section, the Board may, *for any reason*, grant a provisional certificate authorizing an applicant to practice as an alcohol and drug counselor in accordance with regulations adopted by the Board.

~~[6. As used in this section, "veteran" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 417.005.]~~



Sec. 25.8. NRS 641C.433 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641C.433 1. The Board may issue a certificate by endorsement as a problem gambling counselor to an applicant who meets the requirements set forth in this section. An applicant may submit to the Board an application for such a certificate if the applicant ~~is~~

~~—(a) Holds~~ **holds** a corresponding valid and unrestricted certificate as a problem gambling counselor in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States. ~~is; and~~

~~—(b) Is an active member of, or the spouse of an active member of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran.]~~

2. An applicant for a certificate by endorsement pursuant to this section must submit to the Board with his or her application:

(a) Proof satisfactory to the Board that the applicant:

(1) Satisfies the requirements of subsection 1;

(2) Has not been disciplined or investigated by the corresponding regulatory authority of the District of Columbia or the state or territory in which the applicant holds a certificate as a problem gambling counselor; and

(3) Has not been held civilly or criminally liable for malpractice in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States;

(b) A complete set of fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Board to forward the fingerprints in the manner provided in NRS 641C.260;

(c) An affidavit stating that the information contained in the application and any accompanying material is true and correct;

(d) The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to NRS 641C.470 for the initial application for and issuance of an initial certificate; and

(e) Any other information required by the Board.

3. Not later than 15 business days after receiving an application for a certificate by endorsement as a problem gambling counselor pursuant to this section, the Board shall provide written notice to the applicant of any additional information required by the Board to consider the application. Unless the Board denies the application for good cause, the Board shall approve the application and issue a certificate by endorsement as a problem gambling counselor to the applicant not later than ~~is~~

~~—(a) Forty five~~ **45** days after receiving all the additional information required by the Board to complete the application. ~~is; or~~



~~—(b) Ten days after the Board receives a report on the applicant’s background based on the submission of the applicant’s fingerprints, whichever occurs later.]~~

4. A certificate by endorsement as a problem gambling counselor may be issued at a meeting of the Board or between its meetings by the President of the Board. Such an action shall be deemed to be an action of the Board.

5. At any time before making a final decision on an application for a certificate by endorsement pursuant to this section, the Board may, *for any reason*, grant a provisional certificate authorizing an applicant to practice as a problem gambling counselor in accordance with regulations adopted by the Board.

~~[6. As used in this section, “veteran” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 417.005.]~~

Sec. 25.9. NRS 641C.470 is hereby amended to read as follows:

641C.470 1. The Board shall charge and collect not more than the following fees:

For the initial application for a license or certificate, including a license or certificate by endorsement	\$150
For the issuance of a provisional license or certificate.....	125
For the issuance of an initial license or certificate, including a license or certificate by endorsement	60
For the renewal of a license or certificate as an alcohol and drug counselor, a license as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor or a certificate as a problem gambling counselor	300
For the renewal of a certificate as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor intern, an alcohol and drug counselor intern or a problem gambling counselor intern	75
For the renewal of a delinquent license or certificate.....	75
For the restoration of an expired license or certificate.....	150
For the restoration or reinstatement of a suspended or revoked license or certificate	300
For the issuance of a license or certificate without examination	150
For an examination.....	150
For the approval of a course of continuing education	150



2. ~~HF~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if* an applicant submits an application for a license or certificate by endorsement pursuant to NRS ~~[641C.3305, 641C.355, 641C.395 or 641C.432,]~~ *641C.3306, 641C.356, 641C.396 or 641C.433,* the Board shall charge and collect not more than the fees specified in subsection 1 for the initial application for and issuance of an initial license or certificate, as applicable.

3. If an ~~[applicant]~~ *active member of, or the spouse of an active member of, the Armed Forces of the United States, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran* submits an application for a license or certificate by endorsement pursuant to NRS 641C.3306, 641C.356, 641C.396 or 641C.433, as applicable, the Board shall collect not more than one-half of the fee specified in subsection 1 for the initial issuance of the license.

4. The fees charged and collected pursuant to this section are not refundable.

5. As used in this section, “veteran” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 417.005.

Sec. 26. NRS 62A.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:

62A.270 “Qualified professional” means:

1. A psychiatrist licensed to practice medicine in this State and certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, Inc.;

2. A psychologist licensed to practice in this State;

3. A social worker holding a master’s degree in social work and licensed in this State as a *master social worker or* clinical social worker;

4. A registered nurse holding a master’s degree in the field of psychiatric nursing and licensed to practice professional nursing in this State;

5. A marriage and family therapist licensed in this State pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS; or

6. A clinical professional counselor licensed in this State pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS.

Sec. 27. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 28. NRS 689A.0485 is hereby amended to read as follows:

689A.0485 If any policy of health insurance provides coverage for treatment of an illness which is within the authorized scope of the practice of a licensed associate in social work, social worker, *master social worker,* independent social worker or clinical social worker, the insured is entitled to reimbursement for treatment by an associate in social work, social worker, *master social worker,*



independent social worker or clinical social worker who is licensed pursuant to chapter 641B of NRS.

Sec. 29. NRS 689B.0385 is hereby amended to read as follows:

689B.0385 If any policy of group health insurance provides coverage for treatment of an illness which is within the authorized scope of the practice of a licensed associate in social work, social worker, *master social worker*, independent social worker or clinical social worker, the insured is entitled to reimbursement for treatment by an associate in social work, social worker, *master social worker*, independent social worker or clinical social worker who is licensed pursuant to chapter 641B of NRS.

Sec. 30. NRS 695B.1975 is hereby amended to read as follows:

695B.1975 If any contract for hospital or medical service provides coverage for treatment of an illness which is within the authorized scope of the practice of a licensed associate in social work, social worker, *master social worker*, independent social worker or clinical social worker, the insured is entitled to reimbursement for treatment by an associate in social work, social worker, *master social worker*, independent social worker or clinical social worker who is licensed pursuant to chapter 641B of NRS.

Sec. 31. NRS 695C.1775 is hereby amended to read as follows:

695C.1775 If any evidence of coverage provides coverage for treatment of an illness which is within the authorized scope of the practice of a licensed associate in social work, social worker, *master social worker*, independent social worker or clinical social worker, the insured is entitled to reimbursement for treatment by an associate in social work, social worker, *master social worker*, independent social worker or clinical social worker who is licensed pursuant to chapter 641B of NRS.

Sec. 32. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 33. Notwithstanding the amendatory provisions of section 22 of this act, the holder of a license to engage in the practice of social work as a social worker issued pursuant to NRS 641B.220 who:

1. Possesses a master's or doctoral degree in social work from a college or university which is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, or its successor organization, or which is a candidate for such accreditation; and



2. Is engaging in the independent practice of social work or the practice of clinical social work as part of an internship program described in subsection 2 of section 9 of this act on July 1, 2021,

↳ may continue to do so for the current term of his or her license.

Sec. 33.5. NRS 641.195, 641A.241, 641B.271, 641C.3305, 641C.355, 641C.395 and 641C.432 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 34. 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and approval.

2. Sections 1 to 33.5, inclusive, of this act become effective:

(a) Upon passage and approval for the purposes of adopting regulations and performing any preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

(b) On July 1, 2021, for all other purposes.

