

Notice of Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Regulation

The State of Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners, 4600 Kietzke Lane, B-116 Reno, Nevada 89502 775-688-1268 is proposing the Amendment of regulations pertaining to chapter 641 of Nevada Administrative Code.

A workshop has been set for February 23, 2018, 10:00 a.m. to 555 E Washington Ave #4500, Las Vegas, NV 89101, room 4500 and By video conference to 100 N. Carson St, Carson City, NV, Mock Court Room

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

LCB File R131-15: relating to psychologists; clarifying certain requirements concerning the licensure by the Board of Psychological Examiners of a person who is engaged in the teaching of psychology or in psychological research; revising certain requirements for applicants for licensure who have not earned a doctoral degree in psychology or who have completed a training program that is not accredited by the American Psychological Association; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

LCB File R133-17: relating to the Board of Psychological Examiners; providing procedures for handling the petitions to the Board seeking declaratory orders, advisory opinions or the adoption, filing, amendment or repeal of certain regulations; revising provisions relating to the approval of certain nonresident consultants to practice in this State; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Additionally, The Board will discuss regulations that relate License by endorsement (NRS 641.195), Registration of Psychological Trainees (SB162), Clarifying and Cleanup language in NAC 641.

Find the Legislative Counsel's Digest of R131-15 and R133-17 attached to this notice, a full copy of these proposed changes may be obtained at the workshop or by contacting the State of Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners, 4600 Kietzke Lane, B-116 Reno, Nevada 89502. 775-688-1268 or NBOP@govmail.state.nv.us. A reasonable fee for copying may be charged. Some language will be discussed and developed at the workshop. Please contact the Board office if you are interested in the language that will be presented to 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 following locations and the Board's website psyexam.nv.gov.

Carson City Hall, 200 N. Carson Street, Carson City, NV
Grant Sawyer Building, 555 E. Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, NV
Washoe County Library, 301 S. Center Street, Reno, NV
Board of Psychological Examiners, 4600 Kietzke Lane, Bldg, B-116, Reno, NV
Office of the Attorney General, 100 N. Carson Street, Carson City, NV

Date: December 18, 2017

PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS

LCB File No. R131-15

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law governing the practice of psychology specifies that a person is not prevented from engaging in the teaching of psychology or in psychological research without obtaining a license if the teaching or research does not involve the delivery or supervision of direct psychological services to a person. (NRS 641.390) Section 2 of this regulation clarifies that a person who engages in the teaching of psychology or in psychological research that involves the delivery or supervision of direct psychological services to a person is required to obtain a license under the provisions of chapter 641 of NRS. Existing regulations set forth the educational requirements for licensure as a psychologist. (NAC 641.061) Section 3 of this regulation requires an applicant for licensure as a psychologist who has not earned a doctoral degree in

psychology or completed equivalent doctoral-level training, but who has met some of the educational requirements for licensure as a psychologist through completion of doctoral-level training in a related field of study, to satisfy the remaining educational requirements by completing a program of respecialization accredited by the American Psychological Association or a program deemed equivalent by the Board of Psychological Examiners. Existing regulations require an applicant for licensure as a psychologist who has completed a training program not accredited by the American Psychological Association to establish to the satisfaction of the Board that the program is equivalent to a program accredited by the Association. (NAC 641.061) Section 4 of this regulation requires an applicant who completed study at an unaccredited program to submit his or her academic credentials to the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards for evaluation. Section 4 also requires an applicant to submit additional information to the Board of Psychological Examiners if the title of a course does not adequately describe its content.

LCB File No. R-133-17

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Under existing law certain agencies of the State are required to provide by regulation for the filing and prompt disposition of petitions for declaratory orders and advisory opinions as to the applicability of any statutory provision, agency regulation or decision of the agency. (NRS 233B.120) Sections 2-6 of this regulation provide procedures for how such petitions are to be considered by the Board of Psychological Examiners. Existing law prescribes administrative procedure before certain regulatory bodies, including the Board. (Chapter 622A of NRS) Section 12 of this regulation repeals two existing sections of NAC which contain various administrative procedures that are either superseded by or duplicative of provisions of existing law. (NRS 622A.170, 622A.310, 622A.320, 622A.360, 622A.380, 641.021, 641.0243, 641.027, 641.170, 641.180, 641.271) Existing law also requires certain agencies to prescribe by regulation procedures whereby any interested person may petition the agency requesting the adoption, filing, amendment or repeal of any regulation. (NRS 233B.100) Existing regulations allow for such a request to be submitted to the Board. Section 9 of this regulation expressly provides for a petition for this purpose and sets forth both the requirements for such a petition and the procedures to be followed by the Board upon receipt of such a petition. (NAC 641.170) Existing law authorizes a psychologist who is not a resident of Nevada and not licensed in Nevada but is certified or licensed in another state with licensure requirements that are equivalent to those of this State to practice in this State without licensure provided that the psychologist: (1) does not practice in this State over 30 days in any 1 calendar year; and (2) is invited as a consultant by a psychologist licensed in this State. (NRS 641.410) Existing regulations require such a nonresident consultant to apply to the Board for approval to practice in this State, to include with the application a letter from the inviting psychologist and to swear that he or she will only practice as a consultant in this State. (NAC 641.180) Section 11 of this regulation requires the Board to approve of such a nonresident consultant if the psychologist provides: (1) proof that he or she is in good standing in the jurisdiction in which he or she practices; (2) proof that there are no disciplinary proceedings pending against him or her in that jurisdiction; and (3) any other information the Board requires. Finally, section 12 of this regulation repeals several sections of NAC that are duplicative of sections in NRS.