

Nevada State Board of Examiners
for Marriage and Family Therapists and
Clinical Professional Counselors
October 22, 2012
Carson City, NV

WORKSHOP TO SOLICIT COMMENTS
ON PROPOSED REGULATIONS
(LCB File No. R163-12)

Purpose: To receive feedback from the public regarding proposed rules and regulations changes and/or adoptions to Chapter 641A of the Nevada Administrative Code.

Board Attendance

Colleen Peterson, PhD, President

Joan Winkler, M.A., Vice President

Donald Huggins, PhD, Member

Louise Sutherland, Member

Katherine Unthank, PhD, Member

Raymond E. Smith Sr. Executive Director

Rose Marie Reynolds Deputy Attorney General (via teleconference in Las Vegas)

Public Attendance

Kathy Madden Bentle Potential Applicant (student)

1. Workshop was called to order by President at 10:00am.
2. Public Comments: Ms. Kathy Madden Bentle spoke to protest changes to NAC 641A.085 where the number of courses required are proposed to increase from 3 semester hours to 12 semester hours for Clinical Professional Counselors. There was no such change in the language of the proposed regulations. She proposed the inclusion of language in the regulation to stipulate that online graduate programs for Professional Counseling must be CACREP accredited. She also commented that Clinical Professional Counselors are too limited, citing random comments from another graduate who is not licensed in the state of Nevada.

3. Recited Proposed Regulations with Comments

Section 1. Addition of a new section of Internship instruction. The Deputy Attorney General noted to include language in this regulation for Interns to cease practicing when primary supervision is terminated. Also noted was the need for intern instruction in paragraph 4 explaining internship suspension.)

Section 2. NAC 641A.085. (Need more clarification for "individual, couples and families." The DAG will work with the Board on the language needed for this section.)

Section 3. NAC 641A.146. (No comment.)

Section 4. NAC 641A.182. (No comment.)

Section 5. NAC 641A.252. (No comment.)

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4. Public Comments: (No public comments.)

Future Rulemaking Procedures

Remarks by the President

There will be a Las Vegas Public Workshop at the Grant Sawyer Building, 555 E. Washington Avenue, Room LV 4412, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101, on Wednesday, October 24th, 2012, teleconferenced to Carson City to the Legislative Counsel Bureau, 401 S. Carson Street, Room CC 2134, Carson City, Nevada 89701.

We will take the comments that have been submitted and make corrections or changes to the proposed regulations.

If changes are substantive, the latest proposed regulations will be sent to the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) for drafting.

After drafting another public Workshop will be held either in the North and/or the South.

However, if there are no major changes, then a final approved version will be produced.

Following this we will schedule a Public Hearing for adoption of proposed regulation.

If there are major changes then, after the changes are made to the latest proposed regulations another public workshop will be held to go over the changes. This will be followed by another submission to LCB for redrafting. The back and forth between workshop and LCB will continue until we can produce an approved version. When we have an approved version then we can schedule the Public Hearing.

5. Adjournment

President's Note: The Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors would like to thank the members of the public who participated in the Workshop this day. The Board would like you to know we are working as quickly and diligently as we can to get those who are qualified licensed as soon as possible. Thank you.

Note: This workshop was recorded.