

## ADMINISTRATIVE RULES Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

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1. Type of Estimate and Analysis

Original    Updated    Corrected

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2. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number

MPSW 8, 14, 19

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3. Subject

Continuing education

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4. Fund Sources Affected

GPR    FED    PRO    PRS    SEG    SEG-S

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5. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected

20.165(1)(g)

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6. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule

No Fiscal Effect       Increase Existing Revenues       Increase Costs  
 Indeterminate       Decrease Existing Revenues       Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget  
 Decrease Cost

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7. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply)

State's Economy       Specific Businesses/Sectors  
 Local Government Units       Public Utility Rate Payers  
 Small Businesses **(if checked, complete Attachment A)**

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8. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Be Greater Than \$20 million?

Yes       No

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9. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule

This rule combines the three Sections of the Board's continuing education rule into one chapter as well as updating the requirements to create clarity and utilize current methods of delivery.

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10. Summary of the businesses, business sectors, associations representing business, local governmental units, and individuals that may be affected by the proposed rule that were contacted for comments.

None

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11. Identify the local governmental units that participated in the development of this EIA.

None

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12. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

This rule will not have an economic nor fiscal impact on specific businesses, business sectors, public utility rate payers, local governmental units of the state's economy as a whole.

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13. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule

The benefit is to create clarity and reduce the confusion which was revealed during the recent continuing education audits.

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14. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule

The long range implication is clarity with the continuing education requirements. Credential holders will not be face disciplinary action for failing to complete the correct continuing education due to confusion with the requirements if they hold multiple MPSW credentials.

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15. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government

None

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16. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)

Illinois requires credential holders in all three professions to complete 30 hours of continuing education. Iowa requires marriage and family therapists and licensed mental health counselors to complete 40 hours of continuing education and social workers to complete 27 hours of continuing education. Michigan only requires continuing education for social

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workers and the number of hours is 45 for a three year period. Minnesota requires marriage and family therapists to complete 30 hours of continuing education and the professional counselors and social worker credential holders to complete 40 hours of continuing educations. All states list the acceptable methods in which continuing education may be earned as well as any specific topic areas which must be address in their continuing education.

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