

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE  
AND FAMILY THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS  
SOCIAL WORKERS SECTION

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IN THE MATTER OF RULE-MAKING : PROPOSED ORDER OF THE  
PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE : EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL  
EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL : WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY  
WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND : THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL  
FAMILY THERAPISTS AND : COUNSELORS ADOPTING RULES  
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS : (CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 00-147)

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PROPOSED ORDER

An order of the Examining Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors to renumber SFC 2.01 (11), (12), (13), (14) and (15); to repeal and recreate SFC 2.01 (9); and to create SFC 2.01 (11), (12), (13) and (17), relating to clinical social work concentration and supervised clinical field training.

Analysis prepared by the Department of Regulation and Licensing.

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ANALYSIS

Statutes authorizing promulgation: ss. 15.08 (5) (b), 227.11 (2) and 457.03 (1), Stats.

Statutes interpreted: s. 457.08, Stats.

In this proposed rule-making order the Examining Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors creates definitions of “clinical social work concentration” and “supervised clinical field training.” These definitions are necessary in reviewing the qualifications of applicants for certification.

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TEXT OF RULE

SECTION 1. SFC 2.01 (9) is repealed and recreated to read:

SFC 2.01 (9) “Clinical social work concentration” means a course of study with a primary focus on resolving intrapsychic and interpersonal problems by means of direct contact with clients at the individual, small group and family level. A concentration on community or organizational problems, social planning or policy development does not constitute a clinical social work concentration. To qualify as a master’s or doctoral degree in social work with a concentration in clinical social work, clinical courses must comprise at least 40% of non-field placement credits in the degree program. A

clinical social work concentration must include theory and practice courses from among the following:

- (a) Case management.
- (b) Psychopathology in social work.
- (c) Clinical assessment and treatment of specific populations and problems, such as children, adolescent, elderly, alcohol and drug abuse, family or couples relationships.
- (d) Psychopharmacology.
- (e) Psychotherapeutic interventions.
- (f) Electives such as family therapy, social work with groups, sex- or gender-related issues and topics.

SECTION 2. SFC 2.01 (11), (12) and (13) are renumbered SFC 2.01 (14), (15) and (16).

SECTION 3. SFC 2.01 (11), (12) and (13) are created to read:

SFC 2.01 (11) “Interpersonal” means between or among 2 or more individuals or groups.

(12) “Intrapsychic” means occurring within one’s personality or psyche.

(13) “Primary clinical setting” means a facility whose primary purpose is to treat persons with a DSM-IV diagnosis.

SECTION 4. SFC 2.01 (14) and (15) are renumbered SFC 2.01 (18) and (19).

SECTION 5. SFC 2.01 (17) is created to read:

SFC 2.01 (17) “Supervised clinical field training” means training in a primary clinical setting which must include at least 2 semesters of field placement where more than 50% of the practice is to assess and treat interpersonal and intrapsychic issues in direct contact with individuals, families or small groups.

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(END OF TEXT OF RULE)  
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The rules adopted in this order shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin administrative register pursuant to s. 227.22 (2) (intro.), Stats.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson  
Examining Board of Social Workers,  
Marriage and Family Therapists  
and Professional Counselors

FISCAL ESTIMATE

1. The anticipated fiscal effect on the fiscal liability and revenues of any local unit of government of the proposed rule is: \$0.00.
2. The projected anticipated state fiscal effect during the current biennium of the proposed rule is: \$0.00.
3. The projected net annualized fiscal impact on state funds of the proposed rule is: \$0.00.

FINAL REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ANALYSIS

These rules will have no significant economic impact on a substantial number of small businesses, as defined in s. 227.114 (1) (a), Stats.

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