

## Chapter MPSW 15

### DEFINITIONS FOR PRACTICE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY

#### MPSW 15.01 Definitions.

**Note:** Chapter SFC 15 was created as an emergency rule effective April 26, 1993.

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**MPSW 15.01 Definitions.** As used in chs. [MPSW 15](#) to [19](#):

**(1)** “Accredited” means accredited by the commission on accreditation for marriage and family therapy education of the American association for marriage and family therapy.

**(1m)** “Face-to-face” means in person or real time video conferencing where all parties can communicate by simultaneous means of audio, telephone, video, or data communications.

**(2)** “Regionally accredited college or university” means a college or university which is accredited by any of the following bodies: the New England association of schools and colleges, the middle states association of colleges and schools, the higher learning commission, the northwest association of schools and

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colleges, the southern association of colleges and schools, the western association of schools and colleges.

**(3)** “Supervision” means supervision of the professional practice of marriage and family therapy in the applied skills of the profession. Supervision may be performed face-to-face whether in person or remotely.

**History:** Cr. [Register, November, 1993, No. 455](#), eff. 12-1-93; [CR 02-105](#): am. (intro.) and (2), [Register October 2002 No. 562](#), eff. 11-1-02; [CR 24-012](#): cr. (1m), am. (3) [Register May 2025 No. 833](#), eff. 6-1-25.

**MPSW 15.02 Practice of marriage and family therapy.** A licensed marriage and family therapist may practice marriage and family therapy as defined in s. [457.01](#), Stats., without supervision.

**Note:** A licensed marriage and family therapist employed in a certified outpatient mental health clinic is subject to rules of the department of health services regarding supervision.

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