

**SENATE BILL No. 449**

By Committee on Public Health and Welfare

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1 AN ACT concerning *{psychiatric health; relating to professions*  
2 *regulated by}* the behavioral sciences regulatory board; *{prohibiting*  
3 *outsourcing of operations or facilities of state psychiatric hospitals;}*  
4 amending K.S.A. 65-5806, 65-5808, 65-6314, 65-6407, 65-6408, 65-  
5 6411, 74-5311, 74-5318, 74-5361, 74-5362, 74-5363, 74-5365 and 74-  
6 5370 and K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-5807, 65-5809, 65-6309, 65-6311, 65-  
7 6313, 65-6405, 65-6406, 65-6607, 65-6608, 65-6609, 65-6610, 65-  
8 6611, 65-6612, 65-6613, 65-6614, 65-6615, 65-6616, 65-6617, 65-  
9 6618, 65-6620, 74-5310, 74-5315, 74-5316, 74-5324, 74-5367, 74-  
10 5369, 74-5375, 74-5376, 74-7507 and 74-7508 and repealing the  
11 existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 74-5319, 74-5320, 74-5321,  
12 74-5325, 74-5326, 74-5327, 74-5328, 74-5332, 74-5333, 74-5334, 74-  
13 5336 and 74-5338 and K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-5815, 65-6412, 65-6619  
14 and 74-5337.

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16 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

17 New Section 1. (a) As part of an original application for or  
18 reinstatement of any license, registration, permit or certificate or in  
19 connection with any investigation of any holder of a license, registration,  
20 permit or certificate, the behavioral sciences regulatory board may require  
21 a person to be fingerprinted and submit to a state and national criminal  
22 history record check. The fingerprints shall be used to identify the person  
23 and to determine whether the person has a record of criminal history in this  
24 state or another jurisdiction. The behavioral sciences regulatory board is  
25 authorized to submit the fingerprints to the Kansas bureau of investigation  
26 and the federal bureau of investigation for a state and national criminal  
27 history record check. The behavioral sciences regulatory board may use  
28 the information obtained from fingerprinting and the criminal history for  
29 purposes of verifying the identification of the person and in the official  
30 determination of the qualifications and fitness of the person to be issued or  
31 to maintain a license, registration, permit or certificate.

32 (b) Local and state law enforcement officers and agencies shall assist  
33 the behavioral sciences regulatory board in the taking and processing of  
34 fingerprints of applicants for and holders of any license, registration,

1 permit or certificate and shall release all records of adult convictions and  
2 nonconvictions and adult convictions or adjudications of another state or  
3 country to the behavioral sciences regulatory board.

4 (c) The behavioral sciences regulatory board may fix and collect a fee  
5 as may be required by the board in an amount equal to the cost of  
6 fingerprinting and the criminal history record check. Any moneys  
7 collected under this subsection shall be deposited in the state treasury and  
8 credited to the behavioral sciences regulatory board fee fund. The  
9 behavioral sciences regulatory board shall remit all moneys received by or  
10 for it from fees, charges or penalties to the state treasurer in accordance  
11 with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon  
12 receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire  
13 amount in the state treasury to the credit of the behavioral sciences  
14 regulatory board fee fund.

15 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 65-5806 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-  
16 5806. (a) An applicant who meets the requirements for licensure pursuant  
17 to this act, has paid the license fee provided for by K.S.A. 65-5808, and  
18 amendments thereto, and has otherwise complied with the provisions of  
19 this act shall be licensed by the board.

20 (b) Licenses issued pursuant to this act shall expire 24 months from  
21 the date of issuance unless revoked prior to that time. A license may be  
22 renewed upon application and payment of the fee provided for by K.S.A.  
23 65-5808, and amendments thereto. The application for renewal shall be  
24 accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has  
25 completed during the previous 24 months the continuing education  
26 required by rules and regulations of the board. As part of such continuing  
27 education, a licensee shall complete not less than six continuing education  
28 hours relating to diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders and not less  
29 than three continuing education hours of professional ethics.

30 (c) A person whose license has been suspended or revoked may make  
31 written application to the board requesting reinstatement of the license  
32 upon termination of the period of suspension or revocation in a manner  
33 prescribed by the board, which application shall be accompanied by the  
34 fee provided for by K.S.A. 65-5808, and amendments thereto.

35 (d) *Within 30 days after any change of permanent address, a licensee*  
36 *shall notify the board of such change.*

37 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-5807 is hereby amended to read as  
38 follows: 65-5807. (a) The board may issue a license to an individual who  
39 is currently registered, certified or licensed to practice professional  
40 counseling in another jurisdiction if the board determines that:

41 (1) The standards for registration, certification or licensure to practice  
42 professional counseling in the other jurisdiction are substantially  
43 equivalent to the requirements of this state; or

1 (2) the applicant demonstrates on forms provided by the board  
2 compliance with the following standards as adopted by the board:

3 (A) ~~Continuous~~ Registration, certification or licensure to practice  
4 professional counseling ~~during the five years~~ *for at least 60 of the last 66*  
5 *months* immediately preceding the application with at least the minimum  
6 professional experience as established by rules and regulations of the  
7 board;

8 (B) the absence of disciplinary actions of a serious nature brought by  
9 a registration, certification or licensing board or agency; and

10 (C) a ~~masters~~ *master's* degree in counseling from a regionally  
11 accredited university or college.

12 (b) Applicants for licensure as a clinical professional counselor shall  
13 additionally demonstrate competence to diagnose and treat mental  
14 disorders through meeting the requirements of either ~~paragraph (1) or (2)~~  
15 ~~of subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2)~~ and at least two of the following areas  
16 acceptable to the board:

17 (1) Either graduate coursework as established by rules and  
18 regulations of the board or passing a national clinical examination  
19 approved by the board;

20 (2) three years of clinical practice with demonstrated experience in  
21 diagnosing or treating mental disorders; or

22 (3) attestation from a professional licensed to diagnose and treat  
23 mental disorders in independent practice or licensed to practice medicine  
24 and surgery stating that the applicant is competent to diagnose and treat  
25 mental disorders.

26 (c) An applicant for a license under this section shall pay an  
27 application fee established by the board under K.S.A. 65-5808, and  
28 amendments thereto, *if required by the board.*

29 Sec. 4. K.S.A. 65-5808 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-  
30 5808. (a) The board ~~shall may~~ *fix by rules and regulations* the following  
31 fees, *and any such fees shall be established by rules and regulations*  
32 *adopted by the board:*

33 (1) For application for licensure *as a professional counselor*, not more  
34 than \$100;

35 (2) for an original license *as a professional counselor*, not more than  
36 \$175;

37 (3) ~~for examination~~ *a temporary license as a professional counselor*,  
38 not more than \$175;

39 (4) for renewal ~~of a license~~ *for licensure as a professional counselor*,  
40 not more than \$150;

41 (5) ~~for reinstatement of a license~~, not more than \$175;

42 (6) ~~for replacement of a license~~, not more than \$20;

43 (7) ~~for application for licensure as a clinical professional counselor~~,

1 not more than \$175;

2 ~~(6) for licensure as a clinical professional counselor, not more than~~  
3 ~~\$175;~~

4 ~~(8) (7) for renewal for licensure as a clinical professional counselor,~~  
5 ~~not more than \$175;~~

6 ~~(9) (8) for late renewal penalty, an amount equal to the fee for~~  
7 ~~renewal of a license; and~~

8 ~~(10) for exchange of a license in lieu of registration pursuant to~~  
9 ~~subsection (b) of K.S.A. 65-5811 and amendments thereto, not to exceed~~  
10 ~~\$150~~

11 ~~(9) for reinstatement of a license, not more than \$175;~~

12 ~~(10) for replacement of a license, not more than \$20; and~~

13 ~~(11) for a wallet card license, not more than \$5.~~

14 (b) Fees paid to the board are not refundable.

15 Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-5809 is hereby amended to read as  
16 follows: 65-5809. (a) The board may refuse to issue, suspend, limit, refuse  
17 to renew, condition or revoke any license granted under the professional  
18 counselors licensure act for any of the following reasons:

19 (a) Use of drugs or alcohol, or both, to an extent that impairs the  
20 individual's ability to engage in the practice of professional counseling;

21 (b) the individual has been convicted of a felony and, after  
22 investigation, the board finds that the individual has not been sufficiently  
23 rehabilitated to merit the public trust;

24 (c) use of fraud, deception, misrepresentation or bribery in securing  
25 any license issued pursuant to the provisions of the professional counselors  
26 licensure act or in obtaining permission to take any examination given or  
27 required pursuant to the provisions of the professional counselors licensure  
28 act;

29 (d) obtaining or attempting to obtain any fee, charge, tuition or other  
30 compensation by fraud, deception or misrepresentation;

31 (e) incompetence, misconduct, fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty  
32 in the performance of the functions or duties of a professional counselor or  
33 clinical professional counselor;

34 (f) violation of, or assisting or enabling any individual to violate, any  
35 provision of the professional counselors licensure act or any rule and  
36 regulation adopted under such act;

37 (g) impersonation of any individual holding a license or allowing any  
38 individual to use a license or diploma from any school of a person licensed  
39 under the professional counselors licensure act or a diploma from any  
40 school of an applicant for licensure under the professional counselors  
41 licensure act;

42 (h) revocation or suspension of a license or other authorization to  
43 practice counseling granted by another state, territory, federal agency or

1 country upon grounds for which revocation or suspension is authorized by  
2 the professional counselors licensure act;

3 ~~(i) the individual is mentally ill or physically disabled to an extent~~  
4 ~~that impairs the individual's ability to engage in the practice of~~  
5 ~~professional counseling;~~

6 ~~(j) assisting or enabling any person to hold oneself out to the public~~  
7 ~~or offer to hold oneself out to the public as a licensed professional~~  
8 ~~counselor or a licensed clinical professional counselor who is not licensed~~  
9 ~~under the provisions of the professional counselors licensure act;~~

10 ~~(k) the issuance of the license was based upon a material mistake of~~  
11 ~~fact;~~

12 ~~(l) violation of any professional trust or confidence;~~

13 ~~(m) use of any advertisement or solicitation which is false,~~  
14 ~~misleading or deceptive to the general public or persons to whom the~~  
15 ~~advertisement or solicitation is primarily directed;~~

16 ~~(n) unprofessional conduct as defined by rules and regulations~~  
17 ~~adopted by the board; or~~

18 ~~(o) the licensee renew or reinstate a license, may condition, limit,~~  
19 ~~revoke or suspend a license, may publicly or privately censure a licensee~~  
20 ~~or may impose a fine not to exceed \$1,000 per violation upon a finding~~  
21 ~~that a licensee or an applicant for licensure:~~

22 *(1) Is incompetent to practice professional counseling, which means:*

23 *(A) One or more instances involving failure to adhere to the*  
24 *applicable standard of care to a degree that constitutes gross negligence,*  
25 *as determined by the board;*

26 *(B) repeated instances involving failure to adhere to the applicable*  
27 *standard of care to a degree that constitutes ordinary negligence, as*  
28 *determined by the board; or*

29 *(C) a pattern of practice or other behavior that demonstrates a*  
30 *manifest incapacity or incompetence to practice professional counseling;*

31 *(2) has been convicted of a felony offense and has not demonstrated*  
32 *to the board's satisfaction that such person has been sufficiently*  
33 *rehabilitated to merit the public trust;*

34 *(3) has been convicted of a misdemeanor against persons and has not*  
35 *demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that such person has been*  
36 *sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;*

37 *(4) is currently listed on a child abuse registry or an adult protective*  
38 *services registry as the result of a substantiated finding of abuse or neglect*  
39 *by any state agency, agency of another state or the United States, territory*  
40 *of the United States or another country and the applicant or licensee has*  
41 *not demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that such person has been*  
42 *sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;*

43 *(5) has violated a provision of the professional counselors licensure*

1 *act or one or more rules and regulations of the board;*

2 *(6) has obtained or attempted to obtain a license or license renewal*  
3 *by bribery or fraudulent representation;*

4 *(7) has knowingly made a false statement on a form required by the*  
5 *board for a license or license renewal;*

6 *(8) has failed to obtain continuing education credits as required by*  
7 *rules and regulations adopted by the board;*

8 *(9) has been found to have engaged in unprofessional conduct as*  
9 *defined by applicable rules and regulations adopted by the board; or*

10 *(10) has had a registration, license or certificate as a professional*  
11 *counselor revoked, suspended or limited, or has had other disciplinary*  
12 *action taken, or an application for a registration, license or certificate*  
13 *denied, by the proper regulatory authority of another state, territory,*  
14 *District of Columbia, or other country, a certified copy of the record of the*  
15 *action of the other jurisdiction being conclusive evidence thereof.*

16 *(b) For issuance of a new license or reinstatement of a revoked or*  
17 *suspended license for a licensee or applicant for licensure with a felony*  
18 *conviction, the board may only issue or reinstate such license by a <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>*  
19 *majority vote.*

20 *(c) Administrative proceedings and disciplinary actions regarding*  
21 *licensure under the professional counselors licensure act shall be*  
22 *conducted in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act.*  
23 *Judicial review and civil enforcement of agency actions under the*  
24 *professional counselors licensure act shall be in accordance with the*  
25 *Kansas judicial review act.*

26 New Sec. 6. On and after July 1, 2017, all licensees providing  
27 postgraduate clinical supervision for those working toward clinical  
28 licensure must be board-approved clinical supervisors.

29 (a) Applications for a board-approved clinical supervisor shall be  
30 made to the board on a form and in the manner prescribed by the board.  
31 Each application shall be accompanied by the fee fixed under K.S.A. 65-  
32 5808, and amendments thereto.

33 (b) Each applicant for board-approved clinical supervisor shall  
34 furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant:

35 (1) (A) Is currently licensed as a clinical professional counselor and  
36 has practiced as a clinical professional counselor for two years beyond the  
37 supervisor's licensure date; or

38 (B) is a person who is licensed at the graduate level to practice in one  
39 of the behavioral sciences, and whose authorized scope of practice permits  
40 the independent practice of counseling, therapy, or psychotherapy and has  
41 practiced at least two years of clinical practice beyond the date of licensure  
42 at this level;

43 (2) does not have any disciplinary action that would prohibit

1 providing clinical supervision; and

2 (3) (A) has completed the minimum number of semester hours of  
3 coursework related to the enhancement of supervision skills approved by  
4 the board; or

5 (B) has completed the minimum number of continuing education  
6 hours related to the enhancement of supervision skills approved by the  
7 board.

8 (c) Each board-approved clinical supervisor shall complete, as part of  
9 the continuing education required under K.S.A. 65-5806, and amendments  
10 thereto, at least three hours of continuing education related to the  
11 enhancement of supervisory skills, and at least one such hour must focus  
12 on ethics in supervision.

13 Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6309 is hereby amended to read as  
14 follows: 65-6309. (a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), an  
15 applicant shall be exempted from the requirement for any examination  
16 provided for herein if:

17 (1) The applicant proves to the board that the applicant is licensed or  
18 registered under the laws of a state or territory of the United States that  
19 imposes substantially the same requirements as this act as determined by  
20 the board; and

21 (2) pursuant to the laws of any such state or territory, the applicant  
22 has taken and passed an examination similar to that for which exemption is  
23 sought, as determined by the board.

24 (b) The board may issue a license to an individual who is currently  
25 licensed to practice social work at the clinical level in another jurisdiction  
26 if the board determines that:

27 (1) The standards for licensure to practice social work at the clinical  
28 level in the other jurisdiction are substantially equivalent to the  
29 requirements of this state for licensure at the clinical level; or

30 (2) the applicant demonstrates on forms provided by the board  
31 compliance with the following standards as adopted by the board:

32 (A) ~~Continuous~~ Licensure to practice social work at the clinical level  
33 ~~during the five years for at least 60 of the last 66 months~~ immediately  
34 preceding the application with at least the minimum professional  
35 experience as established by rules and regulations of the board;

36 (B) the absence of disciplinary actions of a serious nature brought by  
37 a licensing board or agency; and

38 (C) a ~~masters~~ *master's* or doctoral degree in social work from a  
39 regionally accredited university or college and from an accredited graduate  
40 social work program recognized and approved by the board pursuant to  
41 rules and regulations adopted by the board.

42 (c) Applicants for licensure as a clinical specialist social worker shall  
43 additionally demonstrate competence to diagnose and treat mental

1 disorders through meeting the following requirements:

2 (1) Passing a national clinical examination approved by the board or,  
3 in the absence of the national examination, continuous licensure to practice  
4 as a clinical social worker during the 10 years immediately preceding the  
5 application; and

6 (2) three years of clinical practice with demonstrated experience in  
7 diagnosing or treating mental disorders.

8 (d) An applicant for a license under this section shall pay an  
9 application fee established by the board under K.S.A. 65-6314, and  
10 amendments thereto, *if required by the board*.

11 (e) Upon application, the board shall issue temporary licenses to  
12 persons who have submitted documentation and met all qualifications for  
13 licensure under provisions of this act, except passage of the required  
14 examination, and who have paid the required fee.

15 ~~(f) Such persons shall take the license examination within six months~~  
16 ~~subsequent to the date of issuance of the temporary license unless there are~~  
17 ~~extenuating circumstances approved by the board.~~

18 ~~(g)~~ Absent extenuating circumstances approved by the board, a  
19 temporary license issued by the board shall expire upon the date the board  
20 issues or denies a license to practice social work or six months after the  
21 date of issuance of the temporary license. No temporary license will be  
22 renewed or issued again on any subsequent applications for the same  
23 license level. The preceding provisions in no way limit the number of  
24 times an applicant may take the examination.

25 ~~(h)~~ (g) No person may work under a temporary license except under  
26 the supervision of a licensed social worker.

27 ~~(i)~~ (h) Nothing in this section shall affect any temporary license to  
28 practice issued under this section prior to the effective date of this act and  
29 in effect on the effective date of this act. Such temporary license shall be  
30 subject to the provisions of this section in effect at the time of its issuance  
31 and shall continue to be effective until the date of expiration of the license  
32 as provided under this section at the time of issuance of such temporary  
33 license.

34 ~~(j)~~ (i) Any individual employed by a hospital and working in the area  
35 of hospital social services to patients of such hospital on July 1, 1974, is  
36 exempt from the provisions of this act.

37 ~~(k) If an applicant is denied licensure, the board shall provide the~~  
38 ~~applicant with a written explanation of the denial within 10 days after the~~  
39 ~~decision of the board, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays.~~

40 Sec. 8. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6311 is hereby amended to read as  
41 follows: 65-6311. (a) The board may ~~suspend, limit, revoke, condition or~~  
42 ~~refuse to issue or renew a license of any social worker upon proof that the~~  
43 ~~social worker:~~



1       ~~(1) Has been convicted of a felony and, after investigation, the board~~  
2 ~~finds that the licensee has not been sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the~~  
3 ~~public trust;~~

4       ~~(2) has been found guilty of fraud or deceit in connection with~~  
5 ~~services rendered as a social worker or in establishing needed~~  
6 ~~qualifications under this act;~~

7       ~~(3) has knowingly aided or abetted a person, not a licensed social~~  
8 ~~worker, in representing such person as a licensed social worker in this~~  
9 ~~state;~~

10       ~~(4) has been found guilty of unprofessional conduct as defined by~~  
11 ~~rules established by the board;~~

12       ~~(5) has been found to have engaged in diagnosis as authorized under~~  
13 ~~K.S.A. 65-6319, and amendments thereto, even though not authorized to~~  
14 ~~engage in such diagnosis under K.S.A. 65-6319, and amendments thereto;~~

15       ~~(6) has been found guilty of negligence or wrongful actions in the~~  
16 ~~performance of duties; or~~

17       ~~(7) refuse to issue, renew or reinstate a license, may condition, limit,~~  
18 ~~revoke or suspend a license, may publicly or privately censure a licensee~~  
19 ~~or may impose a fine not to exceed \$1,000 per violation upon a finding~~  
20 ~~that a licensee or an applicant for license:~~

21       ~~(1) Is incompetent to practice social work, which means:~~

22       ~~(A) One or more instances involving failure to adhere to the~~  
23 ~~applicable standard of care to a degree that constitutes gross negligence,~~  
24 ~~as determined by the board;~~

25       ~~(B) repeated instances involving failure to adhere to the applicable~~  
26 ~~standard of care to a degree that constitutes ordinary negligence, as~~  
27 ~~determined by the board; or~~

28       ~~(C) a pattern of practice or other behavior that demonstrates a~~  
29 ~~manifest incapacity or incompetence to practice social work;~~

30       ~~(2) has been convicted of a felony offense and has not demonstrated~~  
31 ~~to the board's satisfaction that such person has been sufficiently~~  
32 ~~rehabilitated to merit the public trust;~~

33       ~~(3) has been convicted of a misdemeanor against persons and has not~~  
34 ~~demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that such person has been~~  
35 ~~sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;~~

36       ~~(4) is currently listed on a child abuse registry or an adult protective~~  
37 ~~services registry as the result of a substantiated finding of abuse or neglect~~  
38 ~~by any state agency, agency of another state or the United States, territory~~  
39 ~~of the United States or another country and the applicant or licensee has~~  
40 ~~not demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that such person has been~~  
41 ~~sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;~~

42       ~~(5) has violated a provision of the social workers licensure act or one~~  
43 ~~or more rules and regulations of the board;~~

1       (6) *has obtained or attempted to obtain a license or license renewal*  
2 *by bribery or fraudulent representation;*

3       (7) *has knowingly made a false statement on a form required by the*  
4 *board for a license or license renewal;*

5       (8) *has failed to obtain continuing education credits as required by*  
6 *rules and regulations adopted by the board;*

7       (9) *has been found to have engaged in unprofessional conduct as*  
8 *defined by applicable rules and regulations adopted by the board; or*

9       (10) *has had a license, registration or certificate to practice social*  
10 *work revoked, suspended or limited, or has had other disciplinary action*  
11 *taken, or an application for a license, registration or certificate denied, by*  
12 *the proper licensing regulatory authority of another state, territory, District*  
13 *of Columbia, or other country, a certified copy of the record of the action*  
14 *of the other jurisdiction being conclusive evidence thereof.*

15       ~~(b) Proceedings to consider the suspension, revocation or refusal to~~  
16 ~~renew a license shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of~~  
17 ~~the Kansas administrative procedure act~~ ***For issuance of a new license or***  
18 ***reinstatement of a revoked or suspended license for a licensee or***  
19 ***applicant for licensure with a felony conviction, the board may only***  
20 ***issue or reinstate such license by a 2/3 majority vote.***

21       (c) *Administrative proceedings and disciplinary actions regarding*  
22 *licensure under the social workers licensure act shall be conducted in*  
23 *accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act. Judicial review*  
24 *and civil enforcement of agency actions under the social workers licensure*  
25 *act shall be in accordance with the Kansas judicial review act.*

26       Sec. 9. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6313 is hereby amended to read as  
27 follows: 65-6313. (a) All licenses issued shall be effective upon the date  
28 issued and shall expire at the end of 24 months from the date of issuance.

29       (b) (1) Except as otherwise provided in K.S.A. 65-6311, and  
30 amendments thereto, a license may be renewed by the payment of the  
31 renewal fee set forth in K.S.A. 65-6314, and amendments thereto, and the  
32 execution and submission of a signed statement, on a form to be provided  
33 by the board, attesting that the applicant's license has been neither revoked  
34 nor currently suspended and that applicant has met the requirements for  
35 continuing education established by the board including not less than three  
36 continuing education hours of professional ethics.

37       (2) An applicant for renewal of a license as a master social worker or  
38 a specialist clinical social worker, as part of such continuing education,  
39 shall complete not less than six continuing education hours relating to  
40 diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders.

41       ~~(3) On and after January 1, 2011, An applicant for first time licensure~~  
42 ~~renewal as a baccalaureate social worker, master social worker or~~  
43 ~~specialist clinical social worker, as part of such continuing education, shall~~

1 complete not less than six hours of social worker safety awareness  
2 training. If the applicant for first time licensure renewal has already taken  
3 such training, as part of a previous level of social work licensure renewal,  
4 then the applicant is not required to complete an additional six hours of  
5 social worker safety training.

6 (c) The application for renewal shall be made on or before the date of  
7 the expiration of the license or on or before the date of the termination of  
8 the period of suspension.

9 (d) If the application for renewal, including payment of the required  
10 renewal fee, is not made on or before the date of the expiration of the  
11 license, the license is void, and no license shall be reinstated except upon  
12 payment of the required renewal fee established under K.S.A. 65-6314,  
13 and amendments thereto, plus a penalty equal to the renewal fee, and proof  
14 satisfactory to the board of the completion of 40 hours of continuing  
15 education within two years prior to application for reinstatement. Upon  
16 receipt of such payment and proof, the board shall reinstate the license. A  
17 license shall be reinstated under this subsection, upon receipt of such  
18 payment and proof, at any time after the expiration of such license.

19 (e) In case of a lost or destroyed license, and upon satisfactory proof  
20 of the loss or destruction thereof, the board may issue a duplicate license  
21 and shall charge a fee as set forth in K.S.A. 65-6314, and amendments  
22 thereto, for such duplicate license.

23 *(f) Within 30 days after any change of permanent address, a licensee*  
24 *shall notify the board of such change.*

25 Sec. 10. K.S.A. 65-6314 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-  
26 6314. (a) The following fees ~~shall may~~ be established by the board ~~by rules~~  
27 ~~and regulations~~ in accordance with the following limitations, *and any such*  
28 *fees shall be established by rules and regulations adopted by the board:*

29 (1) Renewal or reinstatement fee for a license as a social work  
30 associate shall be not more than \$150.

31 (2) Application, new license, reinstatement or renewal fee for a  
32 license as a baccalaureate social worker shall be not more than \$150.

33 (3) Application, new license, reinstatement or renewal fee for a  
34 license as master social worker shall be not more than \$150.

35 (4) Application, new license, reinstatement or renewal fee for a  
36 license in a social work specialty shall be not more than \$150.

37 ~~(5) Examination fee for a license as a baccalaureate social worker, for~~  
38 ~~a license as a master social worker or for a license in a social work~~  
39 ~~specialty shall be not more than \$200. If an applicant fails an examination,~~  
40 ~~such applicant may be admitted to subsequent examinations upon payment~~  
41 ~~of an additional fee prescribed by the board of not more than \$200.~~

42 ~~(6) Replacement fee for reissuance of a license certificate due to loss~~  
43 ~~or name change shall be not more than \$20.~~

1       (6) *Replacement fee for reissuance of a wallet card shall be not more*  
2 *than \$5.*

3       (7) Temporary license fee for a baccalaureate social worker, master  
4 social worker or a social work specialty shall be not more than \$50.

5       (8) Application fee for approval as board-approved continuing  
6 education sponsors shall be as follows:

7       (A) Initial application fee for one year provisionally approved  
8 providers shall be not more than \$125;

9       (B) three-year renewal fees for approved providers shall be not more  
10 than \$350; and

11       (C) application fees for single program providers shall be not more  
12 than \$50 for each separately offered continuing education activity for  
13 which prior approval is sought.

14       (b) Fees paid to the board are not refundable.

15       ~~New Sec. 11. On and after July 1, 2017, all licensees providing~~  
16 ~~postgraduate clinical supervision for those working toward clinical~~  
17 ~~licensure must be board-approved clinical supervisors.~~

18       ~~(a) Applications for board-approved clinical supervisor shall be made~~  
19 ~~to the board on a form and in the manner prescribed by the board. Each~~  
20 ~~application shall be accompanied by the fee fixed under K.S.A. 65-6314,~~  
21 ~~and amendments thereto.~~

22       ~~(b) Each applicant for board-approved clinical supervisor shall~~  
23 ~~furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant:~~

24       ~~(1) Is currently licensed as a specialist clinical social worker;~~

25       ~~(2) has practiced as a specialist clinical social worker for two years~~  
26 ~~beyond the supervisor's licensure date;~~

27       ~~(3) does not have any disciplinary action that would prohibit~~  
28 ~~providing clinical supervision; and~~

29       ~~(4) (A) has completed the minimum number of semester hours of~~  
30 ~~coursework related to the enhancement of supervision skills approved by~~  
31 ~~the board; or~~

32       ~~(B) has completed the minimum number of continuing education~~  
33 ~~hours related to the enhancement of supervision skills approved by the~~  
34 ~~board.~~

35       ~~(c) Each board-approved clinical supervisor shall complete, as part of~~  
36 ~~the continuing education required under K.S.A. 65-6313, and amendments~~  
37 ~~thereto, at least three hours of continuing education related to the~~  
38 ~~enhancement of supervisory skills, and at least one such hour must focus~~  
39 ~~on ethics in supervision.~~

40       ~~New Sec. 12. II. K.S.A. 65-6301 through 65-6320, section 11, and~~  
41 ~~this section, and amendments thereto, shall be known and may be cited as~~  
42 ~~the social workers licensure act.~~

43       ~~Sec. 13. 12. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6405 is hereby amended to read as~~

1 follows: 65-6405. (a) A person who is waiting to take the examination  
2 required by the board may apply to the board for a temporary license to  
3 practice as a licensed marriage and family therapist by:

4 (1) Paying an application fee ~~of no more than \$150, as established by~~  
5 ~~the board under K.S.A. 65-6411, and amendments thereto;~~ and

6 (2) meeting the application requirements as stated in ~~subsections (a)~~  
7 ~~(1), (2) and (4) of~~ K.S.A. 65-6404(a)(1), (a)(2) and (a)(4), and  
8 amendments thereto.

9 (b) (1) A temporary license may be issued by the board after the  
10 application has been reviewed and approved by the board and the applicant  
11 has paid the appropriate fee set by the board for issuance of new licenses.

12 (2) Absent extenuating circumstances approved by the board, a  
13 temporary license issued by the board shall expire upon the date the board  
14 issues or denies the person a license to practice marriage and family  
15 therapy or 12 months after the date of issuance of the temporary license.

16 ~~(3) A temporary licensee shall take the license examination within six~~  
17 ~~months subsequent to the date of issuance of the temporary license unless~~  
18 ~~there are extenuating circumstances approved by the board or if the~~  
19 ~~temporary licensee does not take the license examination within six~~  
20 ~~months subsequent to the date of issuance of the temporary license and no~~  
21 ~~extenuating circumstances have been approved by the board, the~~  
22 ~~temporary license will expire after the first six months.~~

23 ~~(4)~~ No temporary license will be renewed or issued again on any  
24 subsequent application for the same license level. The preceding provision  
25 in no way limits the number of times an applicant may take the  
26 examination.

27 (c) A person practicing marriage and family therapy with a temporary  
28 license may not use the title "licensed marriage and family therapist" or the  
29 initials "LMFT" independently. The word "licensed" may be used only  
30 when followed by the words "by temporary license" such as licensed  
31 marriage and family therapist by temporary license, or marriage and  
32 family therapist, temporarily licensed.

33 (d) No person may practice marriage and family therapy under a  
34 temporary license except under the supervision of a person licensed by the  
35 behavioral sciences regulatory board at the independent level.

36 (e) Nothing in this section shall affect any temporary license to  
37 practice issued under this section prior to the effective date of this act and  
38 in effect on the effective date of this act. Such temporary license shall be  
39 subject to the provisions of this section in effect at the time of its issuance  
40 and shall continue to be effective until the date of expiration of the license  
41 as provided under this section at the time of issuance of such temporary  
42 license.

43 Sec. ~~14~~ **13**. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6406 is hereby amended to read as

1 follows: 65-6406. (a) The board may issue a license to an individual who  
2 is currently registered, certified or licensed to practice marriage and family  
3 therapy in another jurisdiction if the board determines that:

4 (1) The standards for registration, certification or licensure to practice  
5 marriage and family therapy in the other jurisdiction are substantially the  
6 equivalent of the requirements of the marriage and family therapists  
7 licensure act and rules and regulations of the board;

8 (2) the applicant demonstrates on forms provided by the board  
9 compliance with the following standards as adopted by the board:

10 (A) ~~Continuous~~ Registration, certification or licensure to practice  
11 marriage and family therapy ~~during the five years~~ *for at least 60 of the last*  
12 *66 months* immediately preceding the application with at least the  
13 minimum professional experience as established by rules and regulations  
14 of the board;

15 (B) the absence of disciplinary actions of a serious nature brought by  
16 a registration, certification or licensing board or agency; and

17 (C) completion of a ~~masters~~ *master's* degree in marriage and family  
18 therapy from a regionally accredited university.

19 (b) Applicants for licensure as a clinical marriage and family therapist  
20 shall additionally demonstrate competence to diagnose and treat mental  
21 disorders through meeting the requirements of either ~~paragraph (1) or (2)~~  
22 ~~of subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2)~~ and at least two of the following areas  
23 acceptable to the board:

24 (1) Either graduate coursework as established by rules and  
25 regulations of the board or passing a national clinical examination  
26 approved by the board;

27 (2) three years of clinical practice with demonstrated experience in  
28 diagnosing or treating mental disorders; or

29 (3) attestation from a professional licensed to diagnose and treat  
30 mental disorders in independent practice or licensed to practice medicine  
31 and surgery stating that the applicant is competent to diagnose and treat  
32 mental disorders.

33 (c) An applicant for a license under this section shall pay an  
34 application fee established by the board under K.S.A. 65-6411, and  
35 amendments thereto, *if required by the board.*

36 ~~Sec. 15.~~ **14.** K.S.A. 65-6407 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
37 65-6407. (a) An applicant who meets the requirements for licensure  
38 pursuant to this act, has paid the license fee provided for by K.S.A. 65-  
39 6411, and amendments thereto, and has otherwise complied with the  
40 provisions of this act shall be licensed by the board.

41 (b) Licenses issued pursuant to this act shall expire 24 months from  
42 the date of issuance unless revoked prior to that time. A license may be  
43 renewed upon application and payment of the fee provided for by K.S.A.

1 65-6411, and amendments thereto. The application for renewal shall be  
2 accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has  
3 completed during the previous 24 months the continuing education  
4 required by rules and regulations of the board. As part of such continuing  
5 education, the applicant shall complete not less than six continuing  
6 education hours relating to diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders  
7 and not less than three continuing education hours of professional ethics.

8 (c) A person whose license has been suspended or revoked may make  
9 written application to the board requesting reinstatement of the license  
10 upon termination of the period of suspension or revocation in a manner  
11 prescribed by the board, which application shall be accompanied by the  
12 fee provided for by K.S.A. 65-6411, and amendments thereto.

13 (d) *Within 30 days after any change of permanent address, a licensee*  
14 *shall notify the board of such change.*

15 ~~Sec. 16. 15. K.S.A. 65-6408 is hereby amended to read as follows:~~  
16 ~~65-6408. The board may refuse to grant licensure to, or may suspend,~~  
17 ~~revoke, condition, limit, qualify or restrict the licensure of any individual~~  
18 ~~who the board, after a hearing, determines issue, renew or reinstate a~~  
19 ~~license, may condition, limit, revoke or suspend a license, may publicly or~~  
20 ~~privately censure a licensee or may impose a fine not to exceed \$1,000 per~~  
21 ~~violation upon a finding that a licensee or an applicant for license:~~

22 (1) Is incompetent to practice marriage and family therapy, ~~or is~~  
23 ~~found to engage in the practice of marriage and family therapy in a manner~~  
24 ~~harmful or dangerous to a client or to the public which means:~~

25 (A) *One or more instances involving failure to adhere to the*  
26 *applicable standard of care to a degree that constitutes gross negligence,*  
27 *as determined by the board;*

28 (B) *repeated instances involving failure to adhere to the applicable*  
29 *standard of care to a degree that constitutes ordinary negligence, as*  
30 *determined by the board; or*

31 (C) *a pattern of practice or other behavior that demonstrates a*  
32 *manifest incapacity or incompetence to practice marriage and family*  
33 *therapy;*

34 (2) ~~is has been convicted by a court of competent jurisdiction of a~~  
35 ~~crime that the board determines is of a nature to render the convicted~~  
36 ~~person unfit to practice marriage and family therapy felony offense and~~  
37 ~~has not demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that such person has been~~  
38 ~~sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;~~

39 (3) *has been convicted of a misdemeanor against persons and has not*  
40 *demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that such person has been*  
41 *sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;*

42 (4) *is currently listed on a child abuse registry or an adult protective*  
43 *services registry as the result of a substantiated finding of abuse or neglect*

1 *by any state agency, agency of another state or the United States, territory*  
 2 *of the United States or another country and the applicant or licensee has*  
 3 *not demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that such person has been*  
 4 *sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;*

5 ~~(3)~~ (5) *has violated a provision of the marriage and family therapists*  
 6 *licensure act or one or more of the rules and regulations of the board;*

7 ~~(4)~~ (6) *has obtained or attempted to obtain a license or license*  
 8 *renewal by bribery or fraudulent representation;*

9 ~~(5)~~ (7) *has knowingly made a false statement on a form required by*  
 10 *the board for license or license renewal;*

11 ~~(6)~~ (8) *has failed to obtain continuing education credits required by*  
 12 *rules and regulations of the board;*

13 ~~(7)~~ (9) *has been found guilty of to have engaged in unprofessional*  
 14 *conduct as defined by applicable rules and regulations established adopted*  
 15 *by the board; or*

16 ~~(8)~~ (10) *has had a registration, license or certificate as a marriage and*  
 17 *family therapist revoked, suspended or limited, or has had other*  
 18 *disciplinary action taken, or an application for registration, license or*  
 19 *certificate denied, by the proper regulatory authority of another state,*  
 20 *territory, District of Columbia or another country, a certified copy of the*  
 21 *record of the action of the other jurisdiction being conclusive evidence*  
 22 *thereof.*

23 *(b) For issuance of a new license or reinstatement of a revoked or*  
 24 *suspended license for a licensee or applicant for licensure with a felony*  
 25 *conviction, the board may only issue or reinstate such license by a <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>*  
 26 *majority vote.*

27 *(c) Administrative proceedings and disciplinary actions regarding*  
 28 *licensure under the marriage and family therapists licensure act shall be*  
 29 *conducted in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act.*  
 30 *Judicial review and civil enforcement of agency actions under the*  
 31 *marriage and family therapists licensure act shall be in accordance with*  
 32 *the Kansas judicial review act.*

33 ~~Sec. 17.~~ **16.** *K.S.A. 65-6411 is hereby amended to read as follows:*  
 34 *65-6411. (a) The board shall may fix by rules and regulations and shall*  
 35 *collect the following fees, and any such fees shall be established by rules*  
 36 *and regulations adopted by the board:*

37 (1) *For application for licensure as a marriage and family therapist,*  
 38 *not to exceed \$150;*

39 (2) *for original licensure as a marriage and family therapist, not to*  
 40 *exceed \$175;*

41 ~~(3) for examination, not to exceed \$275;~~

42 ~~(4) for renewal of a license for licensure as a marriage and family~~  
 43 *therapist, not to exceed \$175;*



1       ~~(5)~~ (4) for application for licensure as a clinical marriage and family  
2 therapist, not to exceed \$175;

3       (5) *for original licensure as a clinical marriage and family therapist,*  
4 *not to exceed \$175;*

5       (6) for renewal for licensure as a clinical marriage and family  
6 therapist, not to exceed \$175;

7       (7) for reinstatement of a license, not to exceed \$175;

8       (8) for replacement of a license, not to exceed \$20; ~~and~~

9       ~~(9) for late charges, not to exceed \$5 for each 30 days of delay~~  
10 ~~beyond the date the renewal application was to be made~~ *renewal penalty,*  
11 *an amount equal to the renewal of license; and*

12       (10) *for a wallet card license, not to exceed \$5.*

13       (b) Fees paid to the board are not refundable.

14       New Sec. ~~18~~ 17. On and after July 1, 2017, all licensees providing  
15 postgraduate clinical supervision for those working toward clinical  
16 licensure must be board-approved clinical supervisors.

17       (a) Applications for board-approved clinical supervisor shall be made  
18 to the board on a form and in the manner prescribed by the board. Each  
19 application shall be accompanied by the fee fixed under K.S.A. 65-6411,  
20 and amendments thereto.

21       (b) Each applicant for board-approved clinical supervisor shall  
22 furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant:

23       (1) (A) Is currently licensed as a clinical marriage and family  
24 therapist and has practiced as a clinical marriage and family therapist for  
25 two years beyond the supervisor's licensure date; or

26       (B) be a person who is licensed at the graduate level to practice in one  
27 of the behavioral sciences, and whose authorized scope of practice permits  
28 the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders and shall have at least two  
29 years of professional experience in the independent practice of clinical  
30 marriage and family therapy beyond the date of licensure at this level;

31       (2) does not have any disciplinary action that would prohibit  
32 providing clinical supervision; and

33       (3) (A) has completed the minimum number of semester hours of  
34 coursework related to the enhancement of supervision skills approved by  
35 the board; or

36       (B) has completed the minimum number of continuing education  
37 hours related to the enhancement of supervision skills approved by the  
38 board.

39       (c) Each board-approved clinical supervisor shall complete, as part of  
40 the continuing education required under K.S.A. 65-6407, and amendments  
41 thereto, at least three hours of continuing education related to the  
42 enhancement of supervisory skills, and at least one such hour must focus  
43 on ethics in supervision.

1       Sec. ~~19~~. **18.** K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6607 is hereby amended to read as  
2 follows: 65-6607. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6607 through 65-6620, and  
3 amendments thereto, shall be known and may be cited as the ~~addictions-~~  
4 *addiction* counselor licensure act.

5       Sec. ~~20~~. **19.** K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6608 is hereby amended to read as  
6 follows: 65-6608. As used in the ~~addictions~~ *addiction* counselor licensure  
7 act:

8       (a) "Board" means the behavioral sciences regulatory board created  
9 under K.S.A. 74-7501, and amendments thereto.

10       (b) "Addiction counseling" means the utilization of special skills to  
11 assist persons with addictions, and to assist such persons' families and  
12 friends to achieve resolution of addiction through the exploration of the  
13 disease and its ramifications, the examination of attitudes and feelings, the  
14 consideration of alternative solutions and decision making, as these relate  
15 specifically to addiction. Evaluation and assessment, treatment including  
16 treatment plan development, crisis intervention, referral, record keeping  
17 and clinical consultation specifically related to addiction are within the  
18 scope of addiction counseling. Additionally, at the clinical level of  
19 licensure, addiction counseling includes independent practice and the  
20 diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders.

21       (c) "Licensed addiction counselor" means a person who engages in  
22 the practice of addiction counseling limited to substance use disorders and  
23 who is licensed under this act. Such person shall engage in the practice of  
24 addiction counseling in a state-licensed or certified alcohol and other drug  
25 treatment program or in completing a Kansas domestic violence offender  
26 assessment for participants in a certified batterer intervention program  
27 pursuant to K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 75-7d01 through 75-7d13, and amendments  
28 thereto, unless otherwise exempt for licensure under ~~subsection (m) of~~  
29 K.S.A. 59-29b46(m), and amendments thereto.

30       (d) "*Licensed master's addiction counselor*" means a person who  
31 engages in the practice of addiction counseling limited to substance use  
32 disorders and who is licensed under this act. Such person may diagnose  
33 substance use disorders only under the direction of a licensed clinical  
34 addiction counselor, a licensed psychologist, a person licensed to practice  
35 medicine and surgery or a person licensed to provide mental health  
36 services as an independent practitioner and whose licensure allows for the  
37 diagnosis and treatment of substance abuse disorders or mental disorders.

38       (e) "Licensed clinical addiction counselor" means a person who  
39 engages in the independent practice of addiction counseling and diagnosis  
40 and treatment of substance use disorders specified in the edition of the  
41 American psychiatric association's diagnostic and statistical manual of  
42 mental disorders (DSM) designated by the board by rules and regulations  
43 and is licensed under this act.

1        ~~Sec. 21. 20.~~ K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6609 is hereby amended to read as  
2 follows: 65-6609. (a) ~~On and after September 1, 2011,~~ No person shall  
3 engage in the practice of addiction counseling or represent that such  
4 person is a licensed addiction counselor or is an addiction counselor or a  
5 substance abuse counselor or an alcohol and drug counselor without  
6 having first obtained a license as an addiction counselor under the  
7 ~~addictions~~ addiction counselor licensure act.

8        (b) *On and after September 1, 2016, no person shall engage in the*  
9 *practice of addiction counseling or represent that such person is a*  
10 *licensed master's addiction counselor, master's addiction counselor,*  
11 *master's substance abuse counselor or a master's alcohol and drug*  
12 *counselor without having first obtained a license as a master's addiction*  
13 *counselor under the addiction counselor licensure act.*

14        (c) ~~On and after September 1, 2011,~~ No person shall engage in the  
15 practice of addiction counseling as a clinical addiction counselor or  
16 represent that such person is a licensed clinical addiction counselor ~~or is,~~  
17 a clinical addiction counselor ~~or,~~ a clinical substance abuse counselor or a  
18 clinical alcohol and drug counselor without having first obtained a license  
19 as a clinical addiction counselor under the addiction counselor licensure  
20 act.

21        ~~(e)~~ (d) Violation of this section is a class B misdemeanor.

22        ~~Sec. 22. 21.~~ K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6610 is hereby amended to read as  
23 follows: 65-6610. (a) An applicant for licensure as an addiction counselor  
24 shall furnish evidence that the applicant:

25        (1) Has attained the age of 21; ~~and~~

26        (2) (A) has completed at least a baccalaureate degree from an  
27 addiction counseling program that is part of a college or university  
28 approved by the board; or

29        (B) has completed at least a baccalaureate degree from a college or  
30 university approved by the board ~~in a related field that includes.~~ *As part of*  
31 *or in addition to the baccalaureate degree coursework, such applicant*  
32 *shall also complete a minimum number of semester hours of coursework*  
33 *on substance use disorders as approved by the board; or*

34        (C) ~~has completed at least a baccalaureate degree from a college or~~  
35 ~~university approved by the board in a related field with additional~~  
36 ~~coursework in addiction counseling from a college or university approved~~  
37 ~~by the board, and such degree program and the additional coursework~~  
38 ~~includes a minimum number of semester hours of coursework on~~  
39 ~~substance use disorders as approved by the board; or~~

40        ~~(D)~~—is currently licensed in Kansas as a licensed baccalaureate social  
41 worker and has completed a minimum number of semester hours of  
42 coursework on substance use disorders as approved by the board; ~~or and~~

43        (E) ~~is currently licensed in Kansas as a licensed master social worker,~~

1 ~~licensed professional counselor, licensed marriage and family therapist or~~  
2 ~~licensed masters level psychologist; and~~

3 (3) has passed an examination approved by the board; ~~and~~

4 (4) has satisfied the board that the applicant is a person who merits  
5 the public trust; and

6 (5) ~~each applicant~~ has paid the application fee established by the  
7 board under K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6618, and amendments thereto.

8 (b) *Applications for licensure as a master's addiction counselor shall*  
9 *be made to the board on a form and in the manner prescribed by the*  
10 *board. Each applicant shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that*  
11 *the applicant:*

12 (1) (A) *Has attained the age of 21;*

13 (B) (i) *has completed at least a master's degree from an addiction*  
14 *counseling program that is part of a college or university approved by the*  
15 *board;*

16 (ii) *has completed at least a master's degree from a college or*  
17 *university approved by the board. As part of or in addition to the master's*  
18 *degree coursework, such applicant shall also complete a minimum number*  
19 *of semester hours of coursework supporting the diagnosis and treatment of*  
20 *substance use disorders as approved by the board; {or}*

21 ***{(iii) is currently licensed in Kansas as a licensed master social***  
22 ***worker, licensed professional counselor, licensed marriage and family***  
23 ***therapist or licensed master's level psychologist;}* and**

24 (C) *has passed an examination approved by the board;*

25 (D) *has satisfied the board that the applicant is a person who merits*  
26 *the public trust; and*

27 (E) *has paid the application fee fixed under K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-*  
28 *6618, and amendments thereto; or*

29 (2) (A) *has met the following requirements on or before July 1, 2016:*

30 (i) *holds an active license by the board as an addiction counselor;*  
31 *and*

32 (ii) *has completed at least a master's degree in a related field from a*  
33 *college or university approved by the board; and*

34 (B) *has completed six hours of continuing education in the diagnosis*  
35 *and treatment of substance use disorders during the three years*  
36 *immediately preceding the application date.*

37 (c) *Applications for licensure as a clinical addiction counselor shall*  
38 *be made to the board on a form and in the manner prescribed by the board.*  
39 *Each applicant shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that the*  
40 *applicant:*

41 (1) *Has attained the age of 21; and*

42 (2) (A) (i) *has completed at least a master's degree from an addiction*  
43 *counseling program that is part of a college or university approved by the*

1 board; and

2 (ii) has completed not less than two years of postgraduate supervised  
3 professional experience in accordance with a clinical supervision plan  
4 approved by the board of not less than 4,000 hours of supervised  
5 professional experience including at least 1,500 hours of direct client  
6 contact conducting substance abuse assessments and treatment with  
7 individuals, couples, families or groups and not less than 150 hours of  
8 clinical supervision, including not less than 50 hours of person-to-person  
9 individual supervision, integrating diagnosis and treatment of substance  
10 use disorders with use of the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental  
11 disorders of the American psychiatric association; or has completed not  
12 less than ~~two years~~ *one year* of postgraduate supervised professional  
13 experience in accordance with a clinical supervision plan approved by the  
14 board of not less than 2,000 hours of supervised professional experience  
15 including at least 750 hours of direct client contact conducting substance  
16 abuse assessments and treatment with individuals, couples, families or  
17 groups and not less than 75 hours of clinical supervision, including not less  
18 than 25 hours of person-to-person individual supervision, integrating  
19 diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders with use of the  
20 diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders of the American  
21 psychiatric association, and such person has a doctoral degree in addiction  
22 counseling or a related field as approved by the board; or

23 (B) (i) has completed *at least* a master's degree from a college or  
24 university approved by the board ~~in a related field that includes~~. *As part of*  
25 *or in addition to the master's degree coursework, such applicant shall also*  
26 *complete* a minimum number of semester hours of coursework supporting  
27 the diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders as approved by the  
28 board; and

29 (ii) has completed not less than two years of postgraduate supervised  
30 professional experience in accordance with a clinical supervision plan  
31 approved by the board of not less than 4,000 hours of supervised  
32 professional experience including at least 1,500 hours of direct client  
33 contact conducting substance abuse assessments and treatment with  
34 individuals, couples, families or groups and not less than 150 hours of  
35 clinical supervision, including not less than 50 hours of person-to-person  
36 individual supervision, integrating diagnosis and treatment of substance  
37 use disorders with use of the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental  
38 disorders of the American psychiatric association; or has completed not  
39 less than ~~two years~~ *one year* of postgraduate supervised professional  
40 experience in accordance with a clinical supervision plan approved by the  
41 board of not less than 2,000 hours of supervised professional experience  
42 including at least 750 hours of direct client contact conducting substance  
43 abuse assessments and treatment with individuals, couples, families or

1 groups and not less than 75 hours of clinical supervision, including not less  
2 than 25 hours of person-to-person individual supervision, integrating  
3 diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders with use of the  
4 diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders of the American  
5 psychiatric association, and such person has a doctoral degree in addiction  
6 counseling or a related field as approved by the board; or

7 ~~(C) (i) has completed a master's degree from a college or university~~  
8 ~~approved by the board in a related field with additional coursework in~~  
9 ~~addiction counseling from a college or university approved by the board~~  
10 ~~and such degree program and additional coursework includes a minimum~~  
11 ~~number of semester hours of coursework supporting the diagnosis and~~  
12 ~~treatment of substance use disorders as approved by the board; and~~

13 ~~(ii) has completed not less than two years of postgraduate supervised~~  
14 ~~professional experience in accordance with a clinical supervision plan~~  
15 ~~approved by the board of not less than 4,000 hours of supervised~~  
16 ~~professional experience including at least 1,500 hours of direct client~~  
17 ~~contact conducting substance abuse assessments and treatment with~~  
18 ~~individuals, couples, families or groups and not less than 150 hours of~~  
19 ~~clinical supervision, including not less than 50 hours of person-to-person~~  
20 ~~individual supervision, integrating diagnosis and treatment of substance~~  
21 ~~use disorders with use of the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental~~  
22 ~~disorders of the American psychiatric association; or has completed not~~  
23 ~~less than two years of postgraduate supervised professional experience in~~  
24 ~~accordance with a clinical supervision plan approved by the board of not~~  
25 ~~less than 2,000 hours of supervised professional experience including at~~  
26 ~~least 750 hours of direct client contact conducting substance abuse~~  
27 ~~assessments and treatment with individuals, couples, families or groups~~  
28 ~~and not less than 75 hours of clinical supervision, including not less than~~  
29 ~~25 hours of person-to-person individual supervision, integrating diagnosis~~  
30 ~~and treatment of substance use disorders with use of the diagnostic and~~  
31 ~~statistical manual of mental disorders of the American psychiatric~~  
32 ~~association, and such person has a doctoral degree in addiction counseling~~  
33 ~~or a related field as approved by the board; or~~

34 ~~(D) (i) has completed a master's degree in a related field from a~~  
35 ~~college or university approved by the board and is licensed by the board as~~  
36 ~~a licensed *master's* addiction counselor; and~~

37 (ii) has completed not less than two years of postgraduate supervised  
38 professional experience in accordance with a clinical supervision plan  
39 approved by the board of not less than 4,000 hours of supervised  
40 professional experience including at least 1,500 hours of direct client  
41 contact conducting substance abuse assessments and treatment with  
42 individuals, couples, families or groups and not less than 150 hours of  
43 clinical supervision, including not less than 50 hours of person-to-person

1 individual supervision, integrating diagnosis and treatment of substance  
2 use disorders with use of the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental  
3 disorders of the American psychiatric association; or has completed not  
4 less than ~~two years~~ *one year* of postgraduate supervised professional  
5 experience in accordance with a clinical supervision plan approved by the  
6 board of not less than 2,000 hours of supervised professional experience  
7 including at least 750 hours of direct client contact conducting substance  
8 abuse assessments and treatment with individuals, couples, families or  
9 groups and not less than 75 hours of clinical supervision, including not less  
10 than 25 hours of person-to-person individual supervision, integrating  
11 diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders with use of the  
12 diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders of the American  
13 psychiatric association, and such person has a doctoral degree in addiction  
14 counseling or a related field as approved by the board; or

15 (E) is currently licensed in Kansas as a licensed psychologist,  
16 licensed specialist clinical social worker, licensed clinical professional  
17 counselor, licensed clinical psychotherapist or licensed clinical marriage  
18 and family therapist and provides to the board an attestation from a  
19 professional licensed to diagnose and treat mental disorders, or substance  
20 use disorders, or both, in independent practice or licensed to practice  
21 medicine and surgery stating that the applicant is competent to diagnose  
22 and treat substance use disorders; and

23 (3) has passed an examination approved by the board; and

24 (4) has satisfied the board that the applicant is a person who merits  
25 the public trust; and

26 (5) has paid the application fee fixed under K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-  
27 6618, and amendments thereto.

28 ~~(e)~~ (d) *Prior to July 1, 2017*, a person who was registered by the  
29 behavioral sciences regulatory board as an alcohol and other drug  
30 counselor or credentialed by the Kansas department for aging and  
31 disability services as an alcohol and drug credentialed counselor or  
32 credentialed by the Kansas association of addiction professionals as an  
33 alcohol and other drug abuse counselor in Kansas at any time prior to the  
34 effective date of this act, who was registered in Kansas as an alcohol and  
35 other drug counselor, an alcohol and drug credentialed counselor or a  
36 credentialed alcohol and other drug abuse counselor within three years  
37 prior to the effective date of this act and whose last registration or  
38 credential in Kansas prior to the effective date of this act was not  
39 suspended or revoked, upon application to the board, payment of fees and  
40 completion of applicable continuing education requirements, shall be  
41 licensed as a licensed addiction counselor by providing demonstration  
42 acceptable to the board of competence to perform the duties of an  
43 addiction counselor.

1       ~~(d)~~ (e) *Prior to July 1, 2017*, any person who was registered by the  
2 behavioral sciences regulatory board as an alcohol and other drug  
3 counselor or credentialed by the department of social and rehabilitation  
4 services as an alcohol and drug credentialed counselor or credentialed by  
5 the Kansas association of addiction professionals as an alcohol and other  
6 drug abuse counselor in Kansas at any time prior to the effective date of  
7 this act, and who is also licensed to practice independently as a mental  
8 health practitioner or person licensed to practice medicine and surgery, and  
9 who was registered or credentialed in Kansas as an alcohol and other drug  
10 counselor within three years prior to the effective date of this act and  
11 whose last registration or credential in Kansas prior to the effective date of  
12 this act was not suspended or revoked, upon application to the board,  
13 payment of fees and completion of applicable continuing education  
14 requirements, shall be licensed as a licensed clinical addiction counselor  
15 and may engage in the independent practice of addiction counseling and is  
16 authorized to diagnose and treat substance use disorders specified in the  
17 edition of the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders of the  
18 American psychiatric association designated by the board by rules and  
19 regulations.

20       ~~(e)~~ (f) *Prior to July 1, 2017*, any person who was credentialed by the  
21 department of social and rehabilitation services as an alcohol and drug  
22 counselor and has been actively engaged in the practice, supervision or  
23 administration of addiction counseling in Kansas for not less than four  
24 years and holds a master's degree in a related field from a college or  
25 university approved by the board and whose last registration or credential  
26 in Kansas prior to the effective date of this act was not suspended or  
27 revoked, upon application to the board, payment of fees and completion of  
28 applicable continuing education requirements, shall be licensed as a  
29 clinical addiction counselor and may engage in the independent practice of  
30 addiction counseling and is authorized to diagnose and treat substance use  
31 disorders specified in the edition of the diagnostic and statistical manual of  
32 mental disorders of the American psychiatric association designated by the  
33 board by rules and regulations.

34       ~~(f)~~ ~~A licensed addiction counselor shall engage in the practice of~~  
35 ~~addiction counseling only in a state licensed or certified alcohol and other~~  
36 ~~drug treatment program, unless otherwise exempt from licensure under~~  
37 ~~subsection (m) of K.S.A. 59-29b46, and amendments thereto.~~

38       ~~Sec. 23.~~ 22. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6611 is hereby amended to read as  
39 follows: 65-6611. (a) A person who is waiting to take the examination for  
40 licensure as an addiction counselor may apply to the board for a temporary  
41 license to practice as a licensed addiction counselor by: (1) Paying an  
42 application fee for a temporary license fixed under K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-  
43 6618, and amendments thereto; and (2) meeting the application



1 requirements as stated in ~~subsections (a)(1), (2) and (4)~~ of K.S.A. 2015  
2 Supp. 65-6610(a)(1), (a)(2) and (a)(4), and amendments thereto.

3 (b) *A person who is waiting to take the examination for licensure as a*  
4 *master's addiction counselor may apply to the board for a temporary*  
5 *license to practice as a licensed master's addiction counselor by: (1)*  
6 *Paying an application fee for a temporary license fixed under K.S.A. 2015*  
7 *Supp. 65-6618, and amendments thereto; and (2) meeting the application*  
8 *requirements as stated in K.S.A 2015 Supp. 65-6610(b)(1), (b)(2) and (b)*  
9 *(4), and amendments thereto.*

10 (c) (1) A temporary license may be issued by the board after the  
11 application has been reviewed and approved by the board and the applicant  
12 has paid the appropriate fee set by the board for issuance of new licenses.

13 (2) Absent extenuating circumstances approved by the board, a  
14 temporary license issued by the board shall expire upon the date the board  
15 issues or denies the person a license to practice addiction counseling or 12  
16 months after the date of issuance of the temporary license.

17 (3) No temporary license will be renewed or issued again on any  
18 subsequent application for the same license level. The preceding provision  
19 in no way limits the number of times an applicant may take the  
20 examination.

21 (e) (d) A person practicing addiction counseling with a temporary  
22 license may not use the title "licensed addiction counselor" or "*licensed*  
23 *master's addiction counselor*" or use the initials "LAC" or "LMAC"  
24 independently. The word "licensed" may be used only when followed by  
25 the words "by temporary license" such as licensed addiction counselor by  
26 temporary license, or addiction counselor, temporarily licensed.

27 (f) (e) No person may practice addiction counseling under a  
28 temporary license except in a licensed or certified alcohol and other drug  
29 abuse program, under the direction of a person licensed by the behavioral  
30 sciences regulatory board at the clinical level or a person licensed to  
31 practice medicine and surgery.

32 (g) (f) Nothing in this section shall affect any temporary license to  
33 practice issued under this section prior to the effective date of this act and  
34 in effect on the effective date of this act. Such temporary license shall be  
35 subject to the provisions of this section in effect at the time of its issuance  
36 and shall continue to be effective until the date of expiration of the license  
37 as provided under this section at the time of issuance of such license.

38 ~~Sec. 24. 23.~~ K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6612 is hereby amended to read as  
39 follows: 65-6612. (a) Upon written application and board approval, an  
40 individual who is licensed to engage in the independent clinical practice of  
41 addiction counseling at the clinical level in another jurisdiction and who is  
42 in good standing in that other jurisdiction may engage in the independent  
43 practice of clinical addiction counseling as provided by the ~~additions-~~

1 *addiction* counselor licensure act, in this state for not more than 15 days  
2 per year upon receipt of a temporary permit to practice issued by the  
3 board.

4 (b) Any clinical addiction counseling services rendered within any  
5 24-hour period shall count as one entire day of clinical addiction  
6 counseling services.

7 (c) The temporary permit to practice shall be effective on the date of  
8 approval by the board and shall expire December 31 of that year. Upon  
9 written application and for good cause shown, the board may extend the  
10 temporary permit to practice no more than 15 additional days.

11 (d) The board shall charge a fee for a temporary permit to practice  
12 and a fee for an extension of a temporary permit to practice as fixed under  
13 K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6618, and amendments thereto.

14 (e) A person who holds a temporary permit to practice clinical  
15 addiction counseling in this state shall be deemed to have submitted to the  
16 jurisdiction of the board and shall be bound by the statutes and regulations  
17 that govern the practice of clinical addiction counseling in this state.

18 (f) In accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act, the  
19 board may issue a cease and desist order or assess a fine of up to \$1,000  
20 per day, or both, against a person licensed in another jurisdiction who  
21 engages in the independent practice of clinical addiction counseling in this  
22 state without complying with the provisions of this section.

23 ~~Sec. 25. 24.~~ K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6613 is hereby amended to read as  
24 follows: 65-6613. (a) The board may issue a license to an individual who  
25 is currently registered, certified or licensed to practice addiction  
26 counseling in another jurisdiction if the board determines that:

27 (1) The standards for registration, certification or licensure to practice  
28 addiction counseling in the other jurisdiction are substantially the  
29 equivalent of the requirements of the ~~addictions~~ *addiction* counselor  
30 licensure act and rules and regulations of the board; or

31 (2) the applicant demonstrates on forms provided by the board  
32 compliance with the following standards as adopted by the board:

33 (A) ~~Continuous~~ Registration, certification or licensure to practice *as*  
34 ~~an addiction counseling during the five years~~ *counselor for at least 60 of*  
35 ~~the last 66 months~~ immediately preceding the application with at least the  
36 minimum professional experience as established by rules and regulations  
37 of the board; ~~and~~

38 (B) the absence of disciplinary actions of a serious nature brought by  
39 a registration, certification or licensing board or agency; and

40 (C) completion of *at least* a baccalaureate ~~or master's degree in~~  
41 ~~addiction counseling~~ from a college or university approved by the board ~~or~~  
42 ~~completion of a baccalaureate or master's degree in a related field that~~  
43 ~~includes all required addiction coursework.~~

1 (b) *The board may issue a license to an individual who is currently*  
2 *registered, certified or licensed to practice addiction counseling at the*  
3 *master's level in another jurisdiction if the board determines that:*

4 (1) (A) *The standards for registration, certification or licensure to*  
5 *practice addiction counseling at the master's level in the other jurisdiction*  
6 *are substantially the equivalent of the requirements of the addiction*  
7 *counselor licensure act and rules and regulations of the board; and*

8 (B) *completion of at least a master's degree from a college or*  
9 *university approved by the board; or*

10 (2) *the applicant demonstrates on forms provided by the board*  
11 *compliance with the following standards as adopted by the board:*

12 (A) *Registration, certification or licensure to practice addiction*  
13 *counseling at the master's level for at least 60 of the last 66 months*  
14 *immediately preceding the application with at least the minimum*  
15 *professional experience as established by rules and regulations of the*  
16 *board;*

17 (B) *the absence of disciplinary actions of a serious nature brought by*  
18 *a registration, certification or licensing board or agency; and*

19 (C) *completion of at least a master's degree from a college or*  
20 *university approved by the board.*

21 (c) *The board may issue a license to an individual who is currently*  
22 *registered, certified or licensed to practice ~~clinical~~ addiction counseling at*  
23 *the clinical level in another jurisdiction if the board determines that:*

24 (1) (A) *The standards for registration, certification or licensure to*  
25 *practice ~~clinical~~ addiction counseling at the clinical level in the other*  
26 *jurisdiction are substantially the equivalent of the requirements of the*  
27 *~~addictions~~ addiction counselor licensure act and rules and regulations of*  
28 *the board; ~~or~~ and*

29 (B) *the applicant demonstrates completion of at least a master's*  
30 *degree from a college or university approved by the board; or*

31 (2) *the applicant demonstrates on forms provided by the board*  
32 *compliance with the following standards as adopted by the board:*

33 (A) ~~Continuous~~ *Registration, certification or licensure to practice*  
34 *~~clinical~~ addiction counseling ~~during the five years~~ at the clinical level for*  
35 *at least 60 of the last 66 months immediately preceding the application*  
36 *with at least the minimum professional experience as established by rules*  
37 *and regulations of the board; ~~and~~*

38 (B) *the absence of disciplinary actions of a serious nature brought by*  
39 *a registration, certification or licensing board or agency; ~~and~~*

40 (C) ~~(i)~~ *completion of at least a master's degree ~~in clinical addiction~~*  
41 *~~counseling~~ from a college or university approved by the board; ~~or~~*

42 ~~(ii)~~ *completion of at least a master's degree from a college or*  
43 *university approved by the board in a related field that includes a*

1 ~~minimum number of semester hours of coursework supporting the~~  
2 ~~diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders as approved by the~~  
3 ~~board; or~~

4 ~~(iii) completion of at least a master's degree from a college or~~  
5 ~~university approved by the board in a related field with additional~~  
6 ~~coursework in addiction counseling from a college or university approved~~  
7 ~~by the board and such degree program and additional coursework includes~~  
8 ~~a minimum number of semester hours of coursework supporting the~~  
9 ~~diagnosis and treatment of substance use disorders as approved by the~~  
10 ~~board; and~~

11 (D) at least two of the following areas acceptable to the board:

12 (i) Either coursework as established by rules and regulations of the  
13 board or passing a national clinical examination approved by the board; ~~or~~

14 (ii) three years of clinical practice with demonstrated experience  
15 supporting diagnosing or treating substance use disorders; or

16 (iii) attestation from a professional licensed to diagnose and treat  
17 mental disorders, or substance use disorders, or both, in independent  
18 practice or licensed to practice medicine and surgery stating that the  
19 applicant is competent to diagnose and treat substance use disorders.

20 ~~(e)~~ (d) An applicant for a license under this section shall pay an  
21 application fee established by the board under K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6618,  
22 and amendments thereto, *if required by the board.*

23 ~~Sec. 26-25.~~ K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6614 is hereby amended to read as  
24 follows: 65-6614. (a) An applicant who meets the requirements for  
25 licensure pursuant to this act, has paid the license fee provided for by  
26 K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6618, and amendments thereto, and has otherwise  
27 complied with the provisions of this act shall be licensed by the board.

28 (b) Licenses issued pursuant to this act shall expire 24 months from  
29 the date of issuance unless revoked prior to that time. A license may be  
30 renewed upon application and payment of the fee provided for by K.S.A.  
31 2015 Supp. 65-6618, and amendments thereto. The application for renewal  
32 shall be accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the board that the  
33 applicant has completed during the previous 24 months the continuing  
34 education required by rules and regulations of the board, *including not less*  
35 *than three hours in ethics. In addition,* as part of such continuing  
36 education, the *master's addiction counselor applicant and the* clinical  
37 addiction counselor applicant shall complete not less than six continuing  
38 education hours relating to diagnosis and treatment of substance use  
39 disorders. ~~Both the clinical addiction counselor applicant and the addiction~~  
40 ~~counselor applicant shall complete not less than three continuing education~~  
41 ~~hours of professional ethics.~~

42 (c) A person whose license has been suspended or revoked may make  
43 written application to the board requesting reinstatement of the license

1 upon termination of the period of suspension or revocation in a manner  
2 prescribed by the board, which application shall be accompanied by the  
3 fee provided for by K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6618, and amendments thereto.

4 *(d) Within 30 days after any change of permanent address, a licensee*  
5 *shall notify the board of such change.*

6 ~~Sec. 27. 26.~~ K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6615 is hereby amended to read as  
7 follows: 65-6615. *(a) The board may refuse to grant licensure to, or may*  
8 *suspend, revoke, condition, limit, qualify or restrict the licensure issued*  
9 *under this act of any individual who the board, after the opportunity for a*  
10 *hearing, determines:*

11 ~~(a)~~ *issue, renew or reinstate a license, may condition, limit, revoke or*  
12 *suspend a license, may publicly or privately censure a licensee or may*  
13 *impose a fine not to exceed \$1,000 per violation upon a finding that a*  
14 *licensee or an applicant for license:*

15 ~~(1)~~ *Is incompetent to practice addiction counseling, or is found to*  
16 *engage in the practice of addiction counseling in a manner harmful or*  
17 *dangerous to a client or to the public, which means:*

18 *(A) One or more instances involving failure to adhere to the*  
19 *applicable standard of care to a degree that constitutes gross negligence,*  
20 *as determined by the board;*

21 *(B) repeated instances involving failure to adhere to the applicable*  
22 *standard of care to a degree that constitutes ordinary negligence, as*  
23 *determined by the board; or*

24 *(C) a pattern of practice or other behavior that demonstrates a*  
25 *manifest incapacity or incompetence to practice addiction counseling;*

26 ~~(b) (2)~~ *is has been convicted by a court of competent jurisdiction of a*  
27 *felony, misdemeanor crimes against persons or substantiation of abuse*  
28 *against a child, adult or resident of a care facility, even if not practice*  
29 *related offense and has not demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that*  
30 *such person has been sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;*

31 *(3) has been convicted of a misdemeanor against persons and has not*  
32 *demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that such person has been*  
33 *sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;*

34 *(4) is currently listed on a child abuse registry or an adult protective*  
35 *services registry as the result of a substantiated finding of abuse or neglect*  
36 *by any state agency, agency of another state or the United States, territory*  
37 *of the United States or another country and the applicant or licensee has*  
38 *not demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that such person has been*  
39 *sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;*

40 ~~(e)~~ *(5) has violated a provision of the ~~addictions~~ addiction counselor*  
41 *licensure act or one or more of the rules and regulations of the board;*

42 ~~(d)~~ *(6) has obtained or attempted to obtain a license or license*  
43 *renewal by bribery or fraudulent representation;*

1       (ⓔ) (7) has knowingly made a false statement on a form required by  
2 the board for license or license renewal;

3       (ⓕ) (8) has failed to obtain continuing education credits required by  
4 rules and regulations of the board;

5       (ⓖ) (9) has been found ~~guilty of~~ *to have engaged in* unprofessional  
6 conduct as defined by *applicable* rules and regulations ~~established~~ *adopted*  
7 by the board; or

8       (ⓗ) (10) has had a registration, license or certificate as an addiction  
9 counselor revoked, suspended or limited, or has had other disciplinary  
10 action taken, or an application for registration, license or certificate denied,  
11 by the proper regulatory authority of another state, territory, District of  
12 Columbia or another country, a certified copy of the record of the action of  
13 the other jurisdiction being conclusive evidence thereof.

14       ***(b) For issuance of a new license or reinstatement of a revoked or***  
15 ***suspended license for a licensee or applicant for licensure with a felony***  
16 ***conviction, the board may only issue or reinstate such license by a <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>***  
17 ***majority vote.***

18       ***(c) Administrative proceedings and disciplinary actions regarding***  
19 ***licensure under the addiction counselor licensure act shall be conducted***  
20 ***in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act. Judicial***  
21 ***review and civil enforcement of agency actions under the addiction***  
22 ***counselor licensure act shall be in accordance with the Kansas judicial***  
23 ***review act.***

24       Sec. ~~28.~~ 27. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6616 is hereby amended to read as  
25 follows: 65-6616. Nothing in the ~~additions~~ *addiction counselor licensure*  
26 *act shall be construed:*

27       (a) To prevent addiction counseling practice by students or interns or  
28 individuals preparing for the practice of addiction counseling to practice  
29 under qualified supervision of a professional, recognized and approved by  
30 the board, in an educational institution or agency so long as they are  
31 designated by titles such as "student," "trainee," "intern" or other titles  
32 clearly indicating training status;

33       (b) to authorize the practice of psychology, medicine and surgery,  
34 professional counseling, marriage and family therapy, master's level  
35 psychology or social work or other professions licensed by the behavioral  
36 sciences regulatory board;

37       (c) to apply to the activities and services of a rabbi, priest, minister,  
38 clergy person or organized ministry of any religious denomination or sect,  
39 including a Christian-Science practitioner, unless such person or individual  
40 who is a part of the organized ministry is a licensed addiction counselor;

41       (d) to apply to the activities and services of qualified members of  
42 other professional groups including, but not limited to, attorneys,  
43 physicians, psychologists, master's level psychologists, marriage and

1 family therapists, professional counselors, or other professions licensed by  
2 the behavioral sciences regulatory board, registered nurses or social  
3 workers performing services consistent with the laws of this state, their  
4 training and the code of ethics of their profession, so long as they do not  
5 represent themselves as being an addiction counselor; or

6 (e) to prevent qualified persons from doing work within the standards  
7 and ethics of their respective professions and callings provided they do not  
8 hold themselves out to the public by any title or description of services as  
9 being an addiction counselor.

10 ~~Sec. 29.~~ **28.** K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6617 is hereby amended to read as  
11 follows: 65-6617. (a) A person licensed under the ~~addictions~~ *addiction*  
12 counselor licensure act and employees and professional associates of the  
13 person shall not be required to disclose any information that the person,  
14 employee or associate may have acquired in rendering addiction  
15 counseling services, unless:

16 (1) Disclosure is required by other state laws;

17 (2) failure to disclose the information presents a clear and present  
18 danger to the health or safety of an individual;

19 (3) the person, employee or associate is a party defendant to a civil,  
20 criminal or disciplinary action arising from the therapy, in which case a  
21 waiver of the privilege accorded by this section is limited to that action;

22 (4) the client is a defendant in a criminal proceeding and the use of  
23 the privilege would violate the defendant's right to a compulsory process  
24 or the right to present testimony and witnesses in that person's behalf; or

25 (5) a client agrees to a waiver of the privilege accorded by this  
26 section, and in circumstances where more than one person in a family is  
27 receiving therapy, each such family member agrees to the waiver. Absent a  
28 waiver from each family member, an addiction counselor shall not disclose  
29 information received from a family member.

30 (b) Nothing in this section or in this act shall be construed to prohibit  
31 any person licensed under the ~~addictions~~ *addiction* counselor licensure act  
32 from testifying in court hearings concerning matters of adult abuse,  
33 adoption, child abuse, child neglect or other matters pertaining to the  
34 welfare of children or from seeking collaboration or consultation with  
35 professional colleagues or administrative superiors, or both, on behalf of a  
36 client. There is no privilege under this section for information which is  
37 required to be reported to a public official.

38 ~~Sec. 30.~~ **29.** K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6618 is hereby amended to read as  
39 follows: 65-6618. (a) The board ~~shall may fix by rules and regulations and~~  
40 ~~shall collect~~ the following fees, *and any such fees shall be established by*  
41 *rules and regulations adopted by the board:*

42 (1) For application for licensure as an addiction counselor, not to  
43 exceed \$150;

1 (2) for original licensure as an addiction counselor, not to exceed  
2 \$150;

3 (3) for renewal ~~of a license~~ *for licensure* as an addiction counselor,  
4 not to exceed \$150;

5 (4) for a temporary license ~~as an addiction counselor~~, not to exceed  
6 \$100;

7 (5) *for application for licensure as a master's addiction counselor*;  
8 *not to exceed \$150*,

9 (6) *for original licensure as a master's addiction counselor; not to*  
10 *exceed \$150*;

11 (7) *for renewal for licensure as a master's addiction counselor; not to*  
12 *exceed \$150*;

13 (8) for application for licensure as a clinical addiction counselor, not  
14 to exceed \$150;

15 ~~(9)~~ (9) for original licensure as a clinical addiction counselor, not to  
16 exceed \$150;

17 ~~(10)~~ (10) for renewal for licensure as a clinical addiction counselor, not  
18 to exceed \$150;

19 (8) (11) for a temporary permit to practice clinical addiction  
20 counseling, not to exceed \$200;

21 ~~(9)~~ (12) for extension of a temporary permit to practice clinical  
22 addiction counseling, not to exceed \$200;

23 ~~(10)~~ (13) for reinstatement of a license, not to exceed \$150;

24 ~~(11)~~ (14) for replacement of a license, not to exceed \$20; ~~and~~

25 ~~(12)~~ (15) for late renewal penalty, an amount equal to the fee for  
26 renewal; *and*

27 (16) *for a wallet license, not more than \$5*.

28 (b) The board shall require that fees paid for any examination under  
29 the ~~addictions~~ *addiction* counselor licensure act be paid directly to the  
30 examination services by the person taking the examination.

31 (c) Fees paid to the board are not refundable.

32 Sec. ~~31~~ **30**. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 65-6620 is hereby amended to read as  
33 follows: 65-6620. A licensee under the ~~addictions~~ *addiction* counselor  
34 licensure act, at the beginning of a client-therapist relationship, shall  
35 inform the client of the level of such licensee's training and the title or  
36 titles and license or licenses of such licensee. As a part of such obligation,  
37 such licensee shall disclose whether such licensee has a baccalaureate,  
38 master's degree or a doctoral degree. If such licensee has a doctoral degree,  
39 such licensee shall disclose whether or not such doctoral degree is a doctor  
40 of medicine degree or some other doctoral degree. If such licensee does  
41 not have a medical doctor's degree, such licensee shall disclose that the  
42 licensee is not authorized to practice medicine and surgery and is not  
43 authorized to prescribe drugs. As a part of such disclosure, such licensee



1 shall advise the client that certain mental disorders can have medical or  
2 biological origins, and that the client should consult with a physician.  
3 Documentation of such disclosures to a client shall be made in the client's  
4 record.

5 ~~Sec. 32.~~ **31.** K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5310 is hereby amended to read as  
6 follows: 74-5310. (a) The board shall issue a license as a psychologist to  
7 any person who pays an application fee prescribed by the board, *if*  
8 *required by the board*, not in excess of \$225 and, *if required by the board*,  
9 an original license fee not in excess of \$150, which shall not be refunded,  
10 who either satisfies the board as to such person's training and experience  
11 after a thorough review of such person's credentials and who passes a  
12 satisfactory examination in psychology. Any person paying the fee must  
13 also submit evidence verified by oath and satisfactory to the board that  
14 such person:

15 (1) Is at least 21 years of age;

16 (2) is of good moral character;

17 (3) has received the doctor's degree based on a program of studies in  
18 content primarily psychological from an educational institution having a  
19 graduate program with standards consistent with those of the state  
20 universities of Kansas, or the substantial equivalent of such program in  
21 both subject matter and extent of training; and

22 (4) has had at least two years of supervised experience, a significant  
23 portion of which shall have been spent in rendering psychological services  
24 satisfying the board's approved standards for the psychological service  
25 concerned.

26 (b) The board shall adopt rules and regulations establishing the  
27 criteria which an educational institution shall satisfy in meeting the  
28 requirements established under ~~item (3)~~ of subsection (a)(3). The board  
29 may send a questionnaire developed by the board to any educational  
30 institution for which the board does not have sufficient information to  
31 determine whether the educational institution meets the requirements of  
32 ~~item (3)~~ of subsection (a)(3) and rules and regulations adopted under this  
33 section. The questionnaire providing the necessary information shall be  
34 completed and returned to the board in order for the educational institution  
35 to be considered for approval. The board may contract with investigative  
36 agencies, commissions or consultants to assist the board in obtaining  
37 information about educational institutions. In entering such contracts the  
38 authority to approve educational institutions shall remain solely with the  
39 board.

40 ~~Sec. 33.~~ **32.** K.S.A. 74-5311 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
41 74-5311. ~~Examinations for applicants under this act shall be held by the~~  
42 ~~board from time to time but not less than once each year.~~ The board shall  
43 adopt rules and regulations governing the subject, scope, and form of the

1 examinations *for applicants under this act* or shall contract with a national  
2 testing service to provide an examination approved by the board. ~~The~~  
3 ~~board shall prescribe an initial examination fee not to exceed \$350. If an~~  
4 ~~applicant fails the first examination, such applicant may be admitted to any~~  
5 ~~subsequent examination upon payment of an additional fee prescribed by~~  
6 ~~the board not to exceed \$350. The examination fees prescribed by the~~  
7 ~~board under this section shall be fixed by rules and regulations of the~~  
8 ~~board.~~

9 Sec. ~~34.~~ **33.** K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5315 is hereby amended to read as  
10 follows: 74-5315. (a) The board may grant a license to any person who, at  
11 the time of application, is registered, certified or licensed as a psychologist  
12 at the doctoral level in another jurisdiction if the board determines that:

13 (1) The requirements of such jurisdiction for such certification or  
14 licensure are substantially the equivalent of the requirements of this state;  
15 or

16 (2) the applicant demonstrates on forms provided by the board  
17 compliance with the following standards as adopted by the board:

18 (A) ~~Continuous~~—Registration, certification or licensure as a  
19 psychologist at the doctoral level ~~during the five years for at least 60 of~~  
20 ~~the last 66 months~~ immediately preceding the application with at least the  
21 minimum professional experience as established by rules and regulations  
22 of the board;

23 (B) the absence of disciplinary actions of a serious nature brought by  
24 a registration, certification or licensing board or agency; and

25 (C) a doctoral degree in psychology from a regionally accredited  
26 university or college.

27 (b) An applicant for a license under this section shall pay an  
28 application fee established by the board under K.S.A. 74-5310, and  
29 amendments thereto, *if required by the board.*

30 Sec. ~~35.~~ **34.** K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5316 is hereby amended to read as  
31 follows: 74-5316. (a) Upon application, the board may issue temporary  
32 licenses to persons who have met all qualifications for licensure under  
33 provisions of the licensure of psychologists act of the state of Kansas,  
34 except passage of the required examination, pursuant to K.S.A. 74-5310,  
35 and amendments thereto, who must wait for completion of the next  
36 examination, who have paid the required application, examination and  
37 temporary license fees and who have submitted documentation as required  
38 by the board, under the following:

39 (1) ~~The temporary license shall expire upon receipt and recording of~~  
40 ~~the temporary licensee's second examination score by the board if such~~  
41 ~~temporary licensee fails the examination after two attempts or upon the~~  
42 ~~date the board issues or denies the temporary licensee a license to practice~~  
43 ~~psychology if such temporary licensee passes the examination;~~

1 (2)—Such temporary licensee shall take the next license examination  
2 subsequent to the date of issuance of the temporary license unless there are  
3 extenuating circumstances approved by the board;

4 ~~(3)~~ (2) the board shall adopt rules and regulations prescribing  
5 continuing education requirements for temporary licensees, including, but  
6 not limited to, a requirement that temporary licensees shall complete a  
7 minimum of 25 contact hours of continuing education during the two-year  
8 period of temporary licensure, which shall include a minimum of three  
9 hours in psychology ethics;

10 ~~(4)~~ (3) no person may work under a temporary license except under  
11 the supervision of a licensed psychologist as prescribed in rules and  
12 regulations adopted by the board; and

13 ~~(5)~~ (4) the fee for such temporary license ~~shall may~~ be fixed ~~by rules~~  
14 ~~and regulations adopted~~ by the board and shall not exceed \$200, *and any*  
15 *such fee shall be established by rules and regulations adopted by the*  
16 *board.*

17 (b) Upon application, the board may issue temporary licenses not to  
18 exceed two years to persons who have *completed all requirements for a*  
19 *doctoral degree approved by the board but have not received such degree*  
20 *conferral or who have met all qualifications for licensure under provisions*  
21 *of such act, except completion of the postdoctoral supervised work*  
22 *experience pursuant to subsection (a)(4) of K.S.A. 74-5310(a)(4), and*  
23 *amendments thereto, who have paid the required application and*  
24 *temporary license fees and who have submitted documentation as required*  
25 *by the board, under the following:*

26 (1) The temporary license shall expire at the end of the two-year  
27 period after issuance or if such temporary licensee is denied a license to  
28 practice psychology;

29 (2) the temporary license may be renewed for one additional two-year  
30 period after expiration;

31 (3) temporary licensees shall take the license examination pursuant to  
32 ~~subsection (a)(4) of~~ K.S.A. 74-5310(a)(4), and amendments thereto,  
33 subsequent to the date of issuance and prior to expiration of the temporary  
34 license unless there are extenuating circumstances approved by the board;

35 (4) temporary licensees shall be working toward the completion of  
36 the postdoctoral supervised work experience prescribed in ~~subsection (a)~~  
37 ~~(4) of~~ K.S.A. 74-5310(a)(4), and amendments thereto;

38 (5) the board shall adopt rules and regulations prescribing continuing  
39 education requirements for temporary licensees, including, but not limited to,  
40 a requirement that temporary licensees shall complete a minimum of 25  
41 contact hours of continuing education during the two-year period of  
42 temporary licensure, which shall include a minimum of three hours in  
43 psychology ethics;

1 (6) no temporary licensee may work under a temporary license except  
2 under the supervision of a licensed psychologist as prescribed in rules and  
3 regulations adopted by the board; and

4 (7) the fee for a renewal of the temporary license ~~shall~~ *may* be fixed  
5 ~~by rules and regulations adopted~~ by the board and shall not exceed \$200  
6 per issuance, *and any such fee shall be established by rules and*  
7 *regulations adopted by the board.*

8 (c) A person practicing psychology with a temporary license may not  
9 use the title "licensed psychologist" or the initials "LP" independently.  
10 The word "licensed" may be used only when preceded by the word  
11 "temporary" such as temporary licensed psychologist, or the initials "TLP."

12 (d) This section shall be part of and supplemental to the provisions of  
13 article 53 of chapter 74 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments  
14 thereto.

15 (e) As used in this section, "temporary licensee" means any person  
16 practicing psychology with a temporary license pursuant to subsection (b)  
17 or (c) ~~of this section.~~

18 ~~Sec. 36. 35. K.S.A. 74-5318 is hereby amended to read as follows:~~  
19 ~~74-5318. On or before the first day of April of alternate years, the board~~  
20 ~~shall mail to every psychologist licensed in Kansas an application blank~~  
21 ~~for renewal, which shall contain space for insertion of information as~~  
22 ~~required for the application blank under K.S.A. 74-5317 and amendments~~  
23 ~~thereto, addressing the same to the post office address given at the last~~  
24 ~~previous renewal. In addition, The (a) An application for renewal shall be~~  
25 ~~accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has~~  
26 ~~completed, during the previous 24 months, the continuing education~~  
27 ~~required by rules and regulations of the board. As part of such continuing~~  
28 ~~education, a licensed psychologist shall complete not less than six~~  
29 ~~continuing education hours relating to diagnosis and treatment of mental~~  
30 ~~disorders and not less than three continuing education hours of~~  
31 ~~professional ethics.~~

32 (b) *A licensee shall submit the application to the board with a*  
33 *renewal fee fixed by rules and regulations of the board not to exceed \$200.*  
34 *Upon receipt of such application and fee, the board shall issue a renewal*  
35 *license for the period commencing on the date on which the license is*  
36 *issued and expiring on June 30 of the next even-numbered year. Initial*  
37 *licenses shall be for the current biennium of registration.*

38 (c) *Applications for renewal of a license shall be made biennially on*  
39 *or before July 1 and, if not so made, an additional fee equal to the renewal*  
40 *fee shall be added to the regular renewal fee.*

41 (d) *Any psychologist who has failed to renew a license and continues*  
42 *to represent oneself as a psychologist after July 1 shall be in violation of*  
43 *the licensure of psychologists act of the state of Kansas. The board may*

1 *suspend or revoke such psychologist's license under the provisions of*  
2 *K.S.A. 74-5324, and amendments thereto.*

3 *(e) Within 30 days after any change of permanent address, a licensee*  
4 *shall notify the board of such change.*

5 ~~Sec. 37. 36. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5324 is hereby amended to read as~~  
6 ~~follows: 74-5324. (a) The board may suspend, limit, revoke, condition or~~  
7 ~~refuse to issue or renew a license of any psychologist upon proof that the~~  
8 ~~psychologist: (a) Has been convicted of a felony involving moral~~  
9 ~~turpitude; or (b) has been guilty of fraud or deceit in connection with~~  
10 ~~services rendered as a psychologist or in establishing qualifications under~~  
11 ~~this act; or (c) has aided or abetted a person, not a licensed psychologist, in~~  
12 ~~representing such person as a psychologist in this state; or (d) has been~~  
13 ~~guilty of unprofessional conduct as defined by rules and regulations~~  
14 ~~established by the board; or (e) has been guilty of negligence or wrongful~~  
15 ~~actions in the performance of duties; or (f) has knowingly submitted a~~  
16 ~~misleading, deceptive, untrue or fraudulent misrepresentation on a claim~~  
17 ~~form, bill or statement or (g) refuse to issue, renew or reinstate a license,~~  
18 ~~may condition, limit, revoke or suspend a license, may publicly or~~  
19 ~~privately censure a licensee or may impose a fine not to exceed \$1,000 per~~  
20 ~~violation upon a finding that a licensee or an applicant for a license:~~

21 *(1) Is incompetent to practice psychology, which means:*

22 *(A) One or more instances involving failure to adhere to the*  
23 *applicable standard of care to a degree that constitutes gross negligence,*  
24 *as determined by the board;*

25 *(B) repeated instances involving failure to adhere to the applicable*  
26 *standard of care to a degree that constitutes ordinary negligence, as*  
27 *determined by the board; or*

28 *(C) a pattern of practice or other behavior that demonstrates a*  
29 *manifest incapacity or incompetence to practice psychology;*

30 *(2) has been convicted of a felony offense and has not demonstrated*  
31 *to the board's satisfaction that such person has been sufficiently*  
32 *rehabilitated to merit the public trust;*

33 *(3) has been convicted of a misdemeanor against persons and has not*  
34 *demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that such person has been*  
35 *sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;*

36 *(4) is currently listed on a child abuse registry or an adult protective*  
37 *services registry as the result of a substantiated finding of abuse or neglect*  
38 *by any state agency, agency of another state or the United States, territory*  
39 *of the United States or another country and the applicant or licensee has*  
40 *not demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that such person has been*  
41 *sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;*

42 *(5) has violated a provision of the licensure of psychologists act of*  
43 *the state of Kansas or one or more rules and regulations of the board;*

1       (6) *has obtained or attempted to obtain a license or license renewal*  
2 *by bribery or fraudulent representation;*

3       (7) *has knowingly made a false statement on a form required by the*  
4 *board for a license or license renewal;*

5       (8) *has failed to obtain continuing education credits as required by*  
6 *rules and regulations of the board;*

7       (9) *has been found to have engaged in unprofessional conduct as*  
8 *defined by applicable rules and regulations adopted by the board; or*

9       (10) *has had a registration, license or certificate as a psychologist*  
10 *revoked, suspended or limited, or has had other disciplinary action taken,*  
11 *or an application for registration, license or certificate denied, by the*  
12 *proper regulatory authority of another state, territory, District of Columbia*  
13 *or another country, a certified copy of the record of the action of the other*  
14 *jurisdiction being conclusive evidence thereof.*

15       ***(b) For issuance of a new license or reinstatement of a revoked or***  
16 ***suspended license for a licensee or applicant for licensure with a felony***  
17 ***conviction, the board may only issue or reinstate such license by a <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>***  
18 ***majority vote.***

19       ***(c) Administrative proceedings and disciplinary actions regarding***  
20 ***licensure under the licensure of psychologists act of the state of Kansas***  
21 ***shall be conducted in accordance with the Kansas administrative***  
22 ***procedure act. Judicial review and civil enforcement of agency actions***  
23 ***under the licensure of psychologists of the state of Kansas act shall be in***  
24 ***accordance with the Kansas judicial review act.***

25       Sec. ~~38~~. 37. K.S.A. 74-5361 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
26 74-5361. As used in this act:

27       (a) "Practice of psychology" shall have the meaning ascribed thereto  
28 in K.S.A. 74-5302 and amendments thereto.

29       (b) "Board" means the behavioral sciences regulatory board created  
30 by K.S.A. 74-7501 and amendments thereto.

31       (c) "~~Licensed-masters~~ *master's level psychologist*" means a person  
32 licensed by the board under the provisions of this act.

33       (d) "Licensed clinical psychotherapist" means a person licensed by  
34 the board under this act who engages in the independent practice of  
35 ~~masters~~ *master's level psychology* including the diagnosis and treatment of  
36 mental disorders specified in the edition of the diagnostic and statistical  
37 manual of mental disorders of the American psychiatric association  
38 designated by the board by rules and regulations.

39       (e) "~~Masters~~ *Master's level psychology*" means the practice of  
40 psychology pursuant to the restrictions set out in K.S.A. 74-5362 and  
41 amendments thereto and includes the diagnosis and treatment of mental  
42 disorders as authorized under K.S.A. 74-5361 et seq., *and amendments*  
43 *thereto.*

1       Sec. ~~39~~. **38.** K.S.A. 74-5362 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2 74-5362. (a) Any person who is licensed under the provisions of this act as  
3 a licensed ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychologist shall have the right to  
4 practice psychology ~~only insofar as such practice is part of the duties of~~  
5 ~~such person's paid position and is performed solely on behalf of the~~  
6 ~~employer~~, so long as such practice is under the direction of a licensed  
7 clinical psychotherapist, a licensed psychologist, a person licensed to  
8 practice medicine and surgery or a person licensed to provide mental  
9 health services as an independent practitioner and whose licensure allows  
10 for the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders. When a client has  
11 symptoms of a mental disorder, a ~~licensed masters level psychologist~~  
12 *licensee under the licensure of master's level psychologists act* shall  
13 consult with the client's primary care physician or psychiatrist to determine  
14 if there may be a medical condition or medication that may be causing or  
15 contributing to the client's symptoms of a mental disorder. A client may  
16 request in writing that such consultation be waived and such request shall  
17 be made a part of the client's record. A licensed ~~masters~~ *master's* level  
18 psychologist may continue to evaluate and treat the client until such time  
19 that the medical consultation is obtained or waived.

20       (b) A licensed ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychologist may use the title  
21 licensed ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychologist and the abbreviation LMLP  
22 but may not use the title licensed psychologist or psychologist. A licensed  
23 clinical psychotherapist may use the title licensed clinical psychotherapist  
24 and the abbreviation LCP but may not use the title licensed psychologist or  
25 psychologist.

26       Sec. ~~40~~. **39.** K.S.A. 74-5363 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
27 74-5363. (a) Any person who desires to be licensed under this act shall  
28 apply to the board in writing, on forms prepared and furnished by the  
29 board. Each application shall contain appropriate documentation of the  
30 particular qualifications required by the board and shall be accompanied  
31 by the required fee.

32       (b) The board shall license as a licensed ~~masters~~ *master's* level  
33 psychologist any applicant for licensure who pays the fee prescribed by the  
34 board under K.S.A. 74-5365, and amendments thereto, which shall not be  
35 refunded, who has satisfied the board as to such applicant's training and  
36 who complies with the provisions of this subsection ~~(b)~~. An applicant for  
37 licensure also shall submit evidence ~~verified under oath~~ and satisfactory to  
38 the board that such applicant:

39       (1) Is at least 21 years of age;

40       (2) has satisfied the board that the applicant is a person who merits  
41 public trust;

42       (3) has received at least 60 graduate hours including a master's degree  
43 in psychology based on a program of studies in psychology from an

1 educational institution having a graduate program in psychology consistent  
2 with state universities of Kansas; or until July 1, 2003, has received at least  
3 a master's degree in psychology and during such master's or post-master's  
4 coursework completed a minimum of 12 semester hours or its equivalent  
5 in psychological foundation courses such as, but not limited to, philosophy  
6 of psychology, psychology of perception, learning theory, history of  
7 psychology, motivation, and statistics and 24 semester hours or its  
8 equivalent in professional core courses such as, but not limited to, two  
9 courses in psychological testing, psychopathology, two courses in  
10 psychotherapy, personality theories, developmental psychology, research  
11 methods, social psychology; or has passed comprehensive examinations or  
12 equivalent final examinations in a doctoral program in psychology and  
13 during such graduate program completed a minimum of 12 semester hours  
14 or its equivalent in psychological foundation courses such as, but not  
15 limited to, philosophy of psychology, psychology of perception, learning  
16 theory, history of psychology, motivation, and statistics and 24 semester  
17 hours or its equivalent in professional core courses such as, but not limited  
18 to, two courses in psychological testing, psychopathology, two courses in  
19 psychotherapy, personality theories, developmental psychology, research  
20 methods, social psychology;

21 (4) has completed 750 clock hours of academically supervised  
22 practicum in the master's degree program or 1,500 clock hours of  
23 postgraduate supervised work experience;

24 (5) has passed an examination approved by the board with a  
25 minimum score set by the board by rules and regulations ~~at 10 percentage~~  
26 ~~points below the score set by the board for licensed psychologists.~~

27 (c) (1) Applications for licensure as a clinical psychotherapist shall be  
28 made to the board on a form and in the manner prescribed by the board.  
29 Each applicant shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the board that the  
30 applicant:

31 (A) Is licensed by the board as a licensed ~~masters~~ *master's* level  
32 psychologist or meets all requirements for licensure as a ~~masters~~ *master's*  
33 level psychologist;

34 (B) has completed 15 credit hours as part of or in addition to the  
35 requirements under subsection (b) supporting diagnosis or treatment of  
36 mental disorders with use of the American psychiatric association's  
37 diagnostic and statistical manual, through identifiable study of ~~the~~  
38 ~~following content areas:~~ Psychopathology, diagnostic assessment,  
39 interdisciplinary referral and collaboration, treatment approaches and  
40 professional ethics;

41 (C) has completed a graduate level supervised clinical practicum of  
42 supervised professional experience including psychotherapy and  
43 assessment with individuals, couples, families or groups, integrating



1 diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders with use of the American  
2 psychiatric association's diagnostic and statistical manual, with not less  
3 than 350 hours of direct client contact or additional postgraduate  
4 supervised experience as determined by the board;

5 (D) has completed not less than two years of postgraduate supervised  
6 professional experience in accordance with a clinical supervision plan  
7 approved by the board of not less than 4,000 hours of supervised  
8 professional experience including at least 1,500 hours of direct client  
9 contact conducting psychotherapy and assessments with individuals,  
10 couples, families or groups and not less than 150 hours of clinical  
11 supervision, including not less than 50 hours of person-to-person  
12 individual supervision, integrating diagnosis and treatment of mental  
13 disorders with use of the American psychiatric association's diagnostic and  
14 statistical manual;

15 (E) for persons earning a degree under subsection (b) prior to July 1,  
16 2003, in lieu of the education requirements under ~~parts subparagraphs~~ (B)  
17 and (C) ~~of this subsection~~, has completed the education requirements for  
18 licensure as a licensed ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychologist in effect on the  
19 day immediately preceding the effective date of this act;

20 (F) for persons who apply for and are eligible for a temporary ~~permit~~  
21 *license* to practice as a licensed ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychologist on the  
22 day immediately preceding the effective date of this act, in lieu of the  
23 education and training requirements under ~~parts subparagraphs~~ (B), (C)  
24 and (D) ~~of this subsection~~, has completed the education and training  
25 requirements for licensure as a ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychologist in  
26 effect on the day immediately preceding the effective date of this act;

27 (G) has passed an examination approved by the board with the same  
28 minimum passing score as that set by the board for licensed psychologists;  
29 and

30 (H) has paid the application fee, *if required by the board*.

31 (2) A person who was licensed or registered as a ~~masters~~ *master's*  
32 level psychologist in Kansas at any time prior to the effective date of this  
33 act, who has been actively engaged in the practice of ~~masters~~ *master's*  
34 level psychology as a registered or licensed ~~masters~~ *master's* level  
35 psychologist within five years prior to the effective date of this act and  
36 whose last license or registration in Kansas prior to the effective date of  
37 this act was not suspended or revoked, upon application to the board,  
38 payment of fees and completion of applicable continuing education  
39 requirements, shall be licensed as a licensed clinical psychotherapist by  
40 providing demonstration of competence to diagnose and treat mental  
41 disorders through at least two of the following areas acceptable to the  
42 board:

43 (A) Either: (i) Graduate coursework; or (ii) passing a national,

1 clinical examination;

2 (B) either: (i) Three years of clinical practice in a community mental  
3 health center, its contracted affiliate or a state mental hospital; or (ii) three  
4 years of clinical practice in other settings with demonstrated experience in  
5 diagnosing or treating mental disorders; or

6 (C) attestation from one professional licensed to diagnose and treat  
7 mental disorders in independent practice or licensed to practice medicine  
8 and surgery that the applicant is competent to diagnose and treat mental  
9 disorders.

10 (3) A licensed clinical psychotherapist may engage in the independent  
11 practice of ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychology and is authorized to  
12 diagnose and treat mental disorders specified in the edition of the  
13 diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders of the American  
14 psychiatric association designated by the board by rules and regulations.  
15 When a client has symptoms of a mental disorder, a licensed clinical  
16 psychotherapist shall consult with the client's primary care physician or  
17 psychiatrist to determine if there may be a medical condition or medication  
18 that may be causing or contributing to the client's symptoms of a mental  
19 disorder. A client may request in writing that such consultation be waived  
20 and such request shall be made a part of the client's record. A licensed  
21 clinical psychotherapist may continue to evaluate and treat the client until  
22 such time that the medical consultation is obtained or waived.

23 (d) The board shall adopt rules and regulations establishing the  
24 criteria which an educational institution shall satisfy in meeting the  
25 requirements established under ~~item (3)~~ of subsection (b)(3). The board  
26 may send a questionnaire developed by the board to any educational  
27 institution for which the board does not have sufficient information to  
28 determine whether the educational institution meets the requirements of  
29 ~~item (3)~~ of subsection (b)(3) and rules and regulations adopted under this  
30 section. The questionnaire providing the necessary information shall be  
31 completed and returned to the board in order for the educational institution  
32 to be considered for approval. The board may contract with investigative  
33 agencies, commissions or consultants to assist the board in obtaining  
34 information about educational institutions. In entering such contracts the  
35 authority to approve educational institutions shall remain solely with the  
36 board.

37 ~~Sec. 41. 40.~~ K.S.A. 74-5365 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
38 74-5365. (a) The application, issuance of a new license and renewal fee for  
39 licensure under this act shall *following fees may* be fixed by the board by  
40 rules and regulations in an amount not to exceed \$200. *for licensure under*  
41 *the licensure of master's level psychologists act: For application, issuance*  
42 *of a new license and renewal of a license, an amount not to exceed \$200;*  
43 *for replacement of a license, an amount not to exceed \$20; and for a*

1 *wallet card license, an amount not to exceed \$5. Any such fees required by*  
2 *the board shall be established by rules and regulations adopted by the*  
3 *board.*

4 (b) Fees paid to the board are not refundable.

5 (c) The application for renewal shall be accompanied by evidence  
6 satisfactory to the board that the applicant has completed, during the  
7 previous 24 months, the continuing education required by rules and  
8 regulations of the board. As part of such continuing education, a licensed  
9 ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychologist and a licensed clinical psychotherapist  
10 shall complete not less than six continuing education hours relating to  
11 diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders and not less than three  
12 continuing education hours of professional ethics.

13 (d) *Within 30 days after any change of permanent address, a licensee*  
14 *shall notify the board of such change.*

15 Sec. ~~42~~ **41**. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5367 is hereby amended to read as  
16 follows: 74-5367. (a) The board may issue a temporary license to practice  
17 as a licensed ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychologist to any person who pays a  
18 fee prescribed by the board under this section, which shall not be refunded,  
19 and who meets all the requirements for licensure under K.S.A. 74-5361 et  
20 seq., and amendments thereto, as a licensed ~~masters~~ *master's* level  
21 psychologist except the requirement of postgraduate supervised work  
22 experience or passing the licensing examination, or both.

23 (b) ~~(1)~~ Absent extenuating circumstances approved by the board, a  
24 temporary license issued by the board shall expire upon the date the board  
25 issues or denies a license to practice ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychology or  
26 24 months after the date of issuance of the temporary license. No  
27 temporary license issued by the board will be renewed or issued again on  
28 any subsequent applications for the same license level. The preceding  
29 provision in no way limits the number of times an applicant may take the  
30 examination.

31 ~~(2) A temporary licensee shall take the examination within the first 12~~  
32 ~~months subsequent to the issuance of the temporary license unless there~~  
33 ~~are extenuating circumstances approved by the board or if the temporary~~  
34 ~~licensee does not take the examination within the first 12 months~~  
35 ~~subsequent to the issuance of the temporary license and no extenuating~~  
36 ~~circumstances have been approved by the board, the temporary license will~~  
37 ~~expire after the first 12 months.~~

38 (c) The board ~~shall may~~ fix by rules and regulations a fee for the  
39 application of the temporary license. The application fee shall not exceed  
40 \$100. *Any such fee shall be established by rules and regulations adopted*  
41 *by the board.*

42 (d) A person practicing ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychology with a  
43 temporary license may not use the title "licensed ~~masters~~ *master's* level

1 psychologist" or the initials "LMLP" independently. The word "licensed"  
2 may be used only when followed by the words "by temporary license"  
3 such as licensed ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychologist by temporary license,  
4 or ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychologist licensed by temporary license.

5 (e) No person may work under a temporary license except under the  
6 supervision of a person licensed to practice psychology or ~~masters~~  
7 *master's* level psychology in Kansas.

8 (f) The application for a temporary license may be denied or a  
9 temporary license which has been issued may be suspended or revoked on  
10 the same grounds as provided for suspension or revocation of a license  
11 under K.S.A. 74-5369, and amendments thereto.

12 (g) Nothing in this section shall affect any temporary license to  
13 practice issued under this section prior to the effective date of this act and  
14 in effect on the effective date of this act. Such temporary license shall be  
15 subject to the provisions of this section in effect at the time of its issuance  
16 and shall continue to be effective until the date of expiration of the license  
17 as provided under this section at the time of issuance of such temporary  
18 license.

19 ~~Sec. 43: 42.~~ K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5369 is hereby amended to read as  
20 follows: 74-5369. ~~An application for licensure under K.S.A. 74-5361 to~~  
21 ~~74-5371, inclusive, and amendments thereto, may be denied or a license~~  
22 ~~granted under this act may be suspended, limited, revoked, have a~~  
23 ~~condition placed on it or not renewed by the board upon proof that the~~  
24 ~~applicant or licensee:~~

25 ~~(a) Has been convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude;~~

26 ~~(b) has been found guilty of fraud or deceit in connection with the~~  
27 ~~rendering of professional services or in establishing such person's~~  
28 ~~qualifications under this act;~~

29 ~~(c) has aided or abetted a person not licensed as a psychologist,~~  
30 ~~licensed under this act or an uncertified assistant, to hold oneself out as a~~  
31 ~~psychologist in this state;~~

32 ~~(d) has been guilty of unprofessional conduct as defined by rules and~~  
33 ~~regulations of the board;~~

34 ~~(e) has been guilty of neglect or wrongful duties in the performance~~  
35 ~~of duties; or~~

36 ~~(f) (a) The board may refuse to issue, renew or reinstate a license, may~~  
37 ~~condition, limit, revoke or suspend a license, may publicly or privately~~  
38 ~~censure a licensee or may impose a fine not to exceed \$1,000 per violation~~  
39 ~~upon a finding that a licensee or an applicant for licensure:~~

40 ~~(1) Is incompetent to practice psychology, which means:~~

41 ~~(A) One or more instances involving failure to adhere to the~~  
42 ~~applicable standard of care to a degree that constitutes gross negligence,~~  
43 ~~as determined by the board;~~

1       (B) repeated instances involving failure to adhere to the applicable  
2 standard of care to a degree that constitutes ordinary negligence, as  
3 determined by the board; or

4       (C) a pattern of practice or other behavior that demonstrates a  
5 manifest incapacity or incompetence to practice master's level  
6 psychology;

7       (2) has been convicted of a felony offense and has not demonstrated  
8 to the board's satisfaction that such person has been sufficiently  
9 rehabilitated to merit the public trust;

10       (3) has been convicted of a misdemeanor against persons and has not  
11 demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that such person has been  
12 sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;

13       (4) is currently listed on a child abuse registry or an adult protective  
14 services registry as the result of a substantiated finding of abuse or neglect  
15 by any state agency, agency of another state or the United States, territory  
16 of the United States or another country and the applicant or licensee has  
17 not demonstrated to the board's satisfaction that such person has been  
18 sufficiently rehabilitated to merit the public trust;

19       (5) has violated a provision of the licensure of master's level  
20 psychologists act or one or more rules and regulations of the board;

21       (6) has obtained or attempted to obtain a license or license renewal  
22 by bribery or fraudulent representation;

23       (7) has knowingly made a false statement on a form required by the  
24 board for a license or license renewal;

25       (8) has failed to obtain continuing education credits as required by  
26 rules and regulations adopted by the board;

27       (9) has been found to have engaged in unprofessional conduct as  
28 defined by applicable rules and regulations of the board; or

29       (10) has had a registration, license or certificate as a ~~masters~~ master's  
30 level psychologist revoked, suspended or limited, or has had other  
31 disciplinary action taken, or an application for a registration, license or  
32 certificate denied, by the proper regulatory authority of another state,  
33 territory, District of Columbia or another country, a certified copy of the  
34 record of the action of the other jurisdiction being conclusive evidence  
35 thereof.

36       (b) **For issuance of a new license or reinstatement of a revoked or**  
37 **suspended license for a licensee or applicant for licensure with a felony**  
38 **conviction, the board may only issue or reinstate such license by a <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>**  
39 **majority vote.**

40       (c) ~~Administrative proceedings under K.S.A. 74-5361 to 74-5371,~~  
41 ~~inclusive, and amendments thereto, and disciplinary actions regarding~~  
42 ~~licensure under the licensure of master's level psychologists act shall be~~  
43 conducted in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act.

1 Judicial review and civil enforcement of agency actions under ~~K.S.A. 74-~~  
2 ~~5361 to 74-5371, inclusive, and amendments thereto, the licensure of~~  
3 ~~master's level psychologists act~~ shall be in accordance with the Kansas  
4 judicial review act.

5 Sec. ~~44.~~ 43. K.S.A. 74-5370 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
6 74-5370. The board may adopt rules and regulations to administer the  
7 provisions of K.S.A. 74-5361 to ~~74-5371~~ 74-5375, inclusive, and  
8 amendments thereto.

9 Sec. ~~45.~~ 44. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5375 is hereby amended to read as  
10 follows: 74-5375. (a) The behavioral sciences regulatory board may issue  
11 a license to an individual who is currently registered, certified or licensed  
12 to practice psychology at the ~~masters~~ *master's* level in another jurisdiction  
13 if the board determines that:

14 (1) The standards for registration, certification or licensure to practice  
15 psychology at the ~~masters~~ *master's* level in the other jurisdiction are  
16 substantially equivalent to the requirements of this state; or

17 (2) the applicant demonstrates, on forms provided by the board,  
18 compliance with the following standards adopted by the board:

19 (A) ~~Continuous~~—Registration, certification or licensure to practice  
20 psychology at the ~~masters~~ *master's* level ~~during the five years for at least~~  
21 ~~60 of the last 66 months~~ immediately preceding the application with at  
22 least the minimum professional experience as established by rules and  
23 regulations of the board;

24 (B) the absence of disciplinary actions of a serious nature brought by  
25 a registration, certification or licensing board or agency; and

26 (C) a ~~masters~~ *master's* degree in psychology from a regionally  
27 accredited university or college.

28 (b) Applicants for licensure as a clinical psychotherapist shall  
29 additionally demonstrate competence to diagnose and treat mental  
30 disorders through meeting the requirements of either ~~paragraph (1) or (2)~~  
31 ~~of~~ subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) and at least two of the following areas  
32 acceptable to the board:

33 (1) Either graduate coursework as established by rules and  
34 regulations of the board or passing a national clinical examination  
35 approved by the board;

36 (2) three years of clinical practice with demonstrated experience in  
37 diagnosing or treating mental disorders; or

38 (3) attestation from a professional licensed to diagnose and treat  
39 mental disorders in independent practice or licensed to practice medicine  
40 and surgery stating that the applicant is competent to diagnose and treat  
41 mental disorders.

42 (c) An applicant for a license under this section shall pay an  
43 application fee established by the board under K.S.A. 74-5365, and

1 amendments thereto, *if required by the board.*

2 Sec. ~~46.~~ **45.** K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5376 is hereby amended to read as  
3 follows: 74-5376. K.S.A. 74-5361 through ~~74-5375~~ 74-5374 and K.S.A.  
4 2015 Supp. 74-5375, and amendments thereto, shall be known and may be  
5 cited as the licensure of ~~masters~~ *master's* level psychologists act.

6 Sec. ~~47.~~ **46.** K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-7507 is hereby amended to read as  
7 follows: 74-7507. (a) The behavioral sciences regulatory board shall have  
8 the following powers, duties and functions:

9 (1) Recommend to the appropriate district or county attorneys  
10 prosecution for violations of this act, the licensure of psychologists act of  
11 the state of Kansas, the professional counselors licensure act, ~~K.S.A. 65-~~  
12 ~~6301 to 65-6320, inclusive, and amendments thereto, K.S.A. 74-5361 to~~  
13 ~~74-5374, inclusive, and K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5375, and amendments~~  
14 ~~thereto~~ *the social workers licensure act, the licensure of master's level*  
15 *psychologists act, the applied behavior analysis licensure act, the marriage*  
16 *and family therapists licensure act or the* ~~addictions~~ *addiction* counselor  
17 licensure act;

18 (2) compile and publish annually a list of the names and addresses of  
19 all persons who are licensed under this act, are licensed under the licensure  
20 of psychologists act of the state of Kansas, ~~are licensed under the~~  
21 ~~professional counselors licensure act, are licensed under K.S.A. 65-6301 to~~  
22 ~~65-6320, inclusive, and amendments thereto, are licensed under K.S.A. 74-~~  
23 ~~5361 to 74-5374, inclusive, and K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5375, and~~  
24 ~~amendments thereto~~ *the social workers licensure act, the licensure of*  
25 *master's level psychologists act, the applied behavior analysis licensure*  
26 *act, are licensed under the marriage and family therapists licensure act or*  
27 *are licensed under the* ~~addictions~~ *addiction* counselor licensure act;

28 (3) prescribe the form and contents of examinations required under  
29 this act, the licensure of psychologists act of the state of Kansas, the  
30 professional counselors licensure act, ~~K.S.A. 65-6301 to 65-6320,~~  
31 ~~inclusive, and amendments thereto, K.S.A. 74-5361 to 74-5374, inclusive,~~  
32 ~~and K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5375, and amendments thereto~~ *the social*  
33 *workers licensure act, the licensure of master's level psychologists act, the*  
34 *applied behavior analysis licensure act, the marriage and family therapists*  
35 *licensure act or the* ~~addictions~~ *addiction* counselor licensure act;

36 (4) enter into contracts necessary to administer this act, the licensure  
37 of psychologists act of the state of Kansas, the professional counselors  
38 licensure act, ~~K.S.A. 65-6301 to 65-6320, inclusive, and amendments~~  
39 ~~thereto, K.S.A. 74-5361 to 74-5374, inclusive, and K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-~~  
40 ~~5375, and amendments thereto~~ *the social workers licensure act, the*  
41 *licensure of master's level psychologists act, the applied behavior analysis*  
42 *licensure act, the marriage and family therapists licensure act or the*  
43 ~~addictions~~ *addiction* counselor licensure act;

1 (5) adopt an official seal;

2 (6) adopt and enforce rules and regulations for professional conduct  
3 of persons licensed under the licensure of psychologists act of the state of  
4 Kansas, ~~licensed under the professional counselors licensure act, licensed~~  
5 ~~under K.S.A. 65-6301 to 65-6320, inclusive, and amendments thereto,~~  
6 ~~licensed under K.S.A. 74-5361 to 74-5374, inclusive, and K.S.A. 2015-~~  
7 ~~Supp. 74-5375, and amendments thereto~~ *the social workers licensure act,*  
8 *the licensure of master's level psychologists act, the applied behavior*  
9 *analysis licensure act,* ~~licensed under the marriage and family therapists~~  
10 ~~licensure act or licensed under the additions~~ *addiction* counselor licensure  
11 act;

12 (7) adopt and enforce rules and regulations establishing requirements  
13 for the continuing education of persons licensed under the licensure of  
14 psychologists act of the state of Kansas, ~~licensed under the professional~~  
15 ~~counselors licensure act, licensed under K.S.A. 65-6301 to 65-6320,~~  
16 ~~inclusive, and amendments thereto, licensed under K.S.A. 74-5361 to 74-~~  
17 ~~5374, inclusive, and K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5375, and amendments thereto~~  
18 *the social workers licensure act, the licensure of master's level*  
19 *psychologists act, the applied behavior analysis licensure act,* ~~licensed~~  
20 ~~under the marriage and family therapists licensure act or licensed under the~~  
21 ~~additions~~ *addiction* counselor licensure act;

22 (8) adopt rules and regulations establishing classes of social work  
23 specialties which will be recognized for licensure under K.S.A. 65-6301 to  
24 65-6318, inclusive, and amendments thereto;

25 (9) adopt rules and regulations establishing procedures for  
26 examination of candidates for licensure under the licensure of  
27 psychologists act of the state of Kansas, ~~for licensure under the~~  
28 ~~professional counselors licensure act, for licensure under K.S.A. 65-6301~~  
29 ~~to 65-6320, inclusive, and amendments thereto, for licensure under K.S.A.~~  
30 ~~74-5361 to 74-5374, inclusive, and K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5375, and~~  
31 ~~amendments thereto~~ *the social workers licensure act, the licensure of*  
32 *master's level psychologists act, the applied behavior analysis licensure*  
33 *act,* ~~for licensure under the marriage and family therapists licensure act,~~  
34 ~~for licensure under the additions~~ *addiction* counselor licensure act and for  
35 issuance of such certificates and such licenses;

36 (10) adopt rules and regulations as may be necessary for the  
37 administration of this act, the licensure of psychologists act of the state of  
38 Kansas, the professional counselors licensure act, ~~K.S.A. 65-6301 to 65-~~  
39 ~~6320, inclusive, and amendments thereto, K.S.A. 74-5361 to 74-5374,~~  
40 ~~inclusive, and K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5375, and amendments thereto~~ *the*  
41 *social workers licensure act, the licensure of master's level psychologists*  
42 *act, the applied behavior analysis licensure act,* the marriage and family  
43 therapists licensure act and the ~~additions~~ *addiction* counselor licensure act



1 and to carry out the purposes thereof;

2 (11) appoint an executive director and other employees as provided in  
3 K.S.A. 74-7501, and amendments thereto; and

4 (12) exercise such other powers and perform such other functions and  
5 duties as may be prescribed by law.

6 ~~(b) The behavioral sciences regulatory board, in addition to any other  
7 penalty, may assess an administrative penalty, after notice and an  
8 opportunity to be heard, against a licensee or registrant for a violation of  
9 any of the provisions of the licensure of psychologists act of the state of  
10 Kansas, the professional counselors licensure act, K.S.A. 65-6301 to 65-  
11 6320, inclusive, and amendments thereto, K.S.A. 74-5361 to 74-5374,  
12 inclusive, and K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5375, and amendments thereto, the  
13 marriage and family therapists licensure act or the addictions counselor  
14 licensure act in an amount not to exceed \$1,000. All fines assessed and  
15 collected under this section shall be remitted to the state treasurer in  
16 accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments  
17 thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall  
18 deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state  
19 general fund.~~

20 ~~(e)~~ If an order of the behavioral sciences regulatory board is adverse  
21 to a licensee or registrant of the board, the *actual* costs shall be charged to  
22 such person as in ordinary civil actions in the district court ~~in an amount  
23 not to exceed \$200~~. The board shall pay any additional costs and, if the  
24 board is the unsuccessful party, the costs shall be paid by the board.  
25 Witness fees and costs may be taxed in accordance with statutes governing  
26 taxation of witness fees and costs in the district court.

27 ~~Sec. 48. 47.~~ K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-7508 is hereby amended to read as  
28 follows: 74-7508. (a) In connection with any investigation, based upon a  
29 written complaint or other reasonably reliable written information, by the  
30 behavioral sciences regulatory board, the board or its duly authorized  
31 agents or employees shall at all reasonable times have access to, for the  
32 purpose of examination, and the right to copy any document, report, record  
33 or other physical evidence of any person being investigated, or any  
34 document, report, record or other evidence maintained by and in  
35 possession of any clinic or office of a practitioner of the behavioral  
36 sciences, or other public or private agency if such document, report, record  
37 or other physical evidence relates to practices which may be grounds for  
38 disciplinary action.

39 (b) In all matters pending before the behavioral sciences regulatory  
40 board, the board shall have the power to administer oaths and take  
41 testimony. For the purpose of all investigations and proceedings conducted  
42 by the behavioral sciences regulatory board:

43 (1) The board may issue subpoenas compelling the attendance and

1 testimony of witnesses or the production for examination or copying of  
2 documents, reports, records or any other physical evidence if such  
3 documents, reports, records or other physical evidence relates to practices  
4 which may be grounds for disciplinary action. Within five days after the  
5 service of the subpoena on any person requiring the production of any  
6 documents, reports, records or other physical evidence in the person's  
7 possession or under the person's control, such person may petition the  
8 board to revoke, limit or modify the subpoena. The board shall revoke,  
9 limit or modify such subpoena if in its opinion the documents, reports,  
10 records or other physical evidence required does not relate to practices  
11 which may be grounds for disciplinary action, is not relevant to the  
12 allegation which is the subject matter of the proceeding or investigation, or  
13 does not describe with sufficient particularity the documents, reports,  
14 records or other physical evidence which is required to be produced. Any  
15 member of the board, or any agent designated by the board, may  
16 administer oaths or affirmations, examine witnesses and receive such  
17 documents, reports, records or other physical evidence.

18 (2) The district court, upon application by the board or by the person  
19 subpoenaed, shall have jurisdiction to issue an order:

20 (A) Requiring such person to appear before the board or the board's  
21 duly authorized agent to produce documents, reports, records or other  
22 physical evidence relating to the matter under investigation; or

23 (B) revoking, limiting or modifying the subpoena if in the court's  
24 opinion the evidence demanded does not relate to practices which may be  
25 grounds for disciplinary action, is not relevant to the allegation which is  
26 the subject matter of the hearing or investigation or does not describe with  
27 sufficient particularity the documents, reports, records or other physical  
28 evidence which is required to be produced.

29 (3) (A) If the board determines that an individual has practiced  
30 without a valid license a profession regulated by the board for which the  
31 practitioners of the profession are required by law to be licensed in order  
32 to practice the profession, in addition to any other penalties imposed by  
33 law, the board, in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure  
34 act, may issue a cease and desist order against such individual.

35 (B) Whenever in the judgment of the behavioral sciences regulatory  
36 board any person has engaged, or is about to engage, in any acts or  
37 practices which constitute, or will constitute, a violation of K.S.A. 65-6301  
38 to 65-6320, inclusive, and amendments thereto, 74-5361 to 74-5374,  
39 inclusive, and K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 74-5375, and amendments thereto, the  
40 licensure of psychologists act, the marriage and family therapists licensure  
41 act or the alcohol and other drug abuse counselor registration act, or any  
42 valid rule or regulation of the board, the board may make application to  
43 any court of competent jurisdiction for an order enjoining such acts or

1 practices, and upon a showing by the board that such person has engaged,  
2 or is about to engage in any such acts or practices, an injunction,  
3 restraining order, or such other order as may be appropriate shall be  
4 granted by such court without bond.

5 (c) Any complaint or report, record or other information relating to a  
6 complaint which is received, obtained or maintained by the behavioral  
7 sciences regulatory board shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed  
8 by the board or its employees in a manner which identifies or enables  
9 identification of the person who is the subject or source of the information  
10 except the information may be disclosed:

11 (1) In any proceeding conducted by the board under the law or in an  
12 appeal of an order of the board entered in a proceeding, or to any party to a  
13 proceeding or appeal or the party's attorney;

14 (2) to the person who is the subject of the information or to any  
15 person or entity when requested by the person who is the subject of the  
16 information, but the board may require disclosure in such a manner that  
17 will prevent identification of any other person who is the subject or source  
18 of the information; or

19 (3) to a state or federal licensing, regulatory or enforcement agency  
20 with jurisdiction over the subject of the information or to an agency with  
21 jurisdiction over acts or conduct similar to acts or conduct which would  
22 constitute grounds for action under this act. Any confidential complaint or  
23 report, record or other information disclosed by the board as authorized by  
24 this section shall not be redisclosed by the receiving agency except as  
25 otherwise authorized by law.

26 (d) Nothing in this section or any other provision of law making  
27 communications between a practitioner of one of the behavioral sciences  
28 and the practitioner's client or patient a privileged or confidential  
29 communication shall apply to investigations or proceedings conducted  
30 pursuant to this section. The behavioral sciences regulatory board and its  
31 employees, agents and representatives shall keep in confidence the content  
32 and the names of any clients or patients whose records are reviewed during  
33 the course of investigations and proceedings pursuant to this section.

34 (e) In all matters pending before the behavioral sciences regulatory  
35 board, the board shall have the power to revoke the license or registration  
36 of any licensee or registrant who voluntarily surrenders such person's  
37 license or registration pending investigation of misconduct or while  
38 charges of misconduct against the licensee are pending or anticipated.

39 ~~(f) In all matters pending before the behavioral sciences regulatory~~  
40 ~~board, the board shall have the option to censure the licensee or registrant~~  
41 ~~in lieu of other disciplinary action.~~

42 *{New Sec. 48. No state agency shall enter into any agreement to*  
43 *outsource or privatize any operations or facilities of the Larned state*

1 *hospital or Osawatamie state hospital without prior specific*  
2 *authorization by an act of the legislature or an appropriation act of the*  
3 *legislature.}*

4 ~~Sec. 49. 48. {49.}~~ K.S.A. 65-5806, 65-5808, 65-6314, 65-6407, 65-  
5 6408, 65-6411, 74-5311, 74-5318, 74-5319, 74-5320, 74-5321, 74-5325,  
6 74-5326, 74-5327, 74-5328, 74-5332, 74-5333, 74-5334, 74-5336, 74-  
7 5338, 74-5361, 74-5362, 74-5363, 74-5365 and 74-5370 and K.S.A. 2015  
8 Supp. 65-5807, 65-5809, 65-5815, 65-6309, 65-6311, 65-6313, 65-6405,  
9 65-6406, 65-6412, 65-6607, 65-6608, 65-6609, 65-6610, 65-6611, 65-  
10 6612, 65-6613, 65-6614, 65-6615, 65-6616, 65-6617, 65-6618, 65-6619,  
11 65-6620, 74-5310, 74-5315, 74-5316, 74-5324, 74-5337, 74-5367, 74-  
12 5369, 74-5375, 74-5376, 74-7507 and 74-7508 are hereby repealed.

13 ~~Sec. 50. 49. {50.}~~ This act shall take effect and be in force from and  
14 after its publication in the statute book.