

**Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis (Part A)****Chemical Dependency Professionals Board**

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Rule Number

**AMENDMENT**

TYPE of rule filing

Rule Title/Tag Line

**Requirements for licensure of independent chemical  
dependency counselors (LICDC).****RULE SUMMARY**

1. Is the rule being filed consistent with the requirements of the RC 119.032 review? **Yes**

2. Are you proposing this rule as a result of recent legislation? **No**

3. Statute prescribing the procedure in accordance with the agency is required to adopt the rule: **119.03**

4. Statute(s) authorizing agency to adopt the rule: **4758.20**

5. Statute(s) the rule, as filed, amplifies or implements: **4758.22, 4758.24, 4758.40**

6. State the reason(s) for proposing (i.e., why are you filing,) this rule:

The Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals (OCDP) Board is eliminating the Case Presentation Method (CPM) exam as a requirement for obtaining the independent chemical dependency counselor license (LICDC). This action is the result of the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) decision to stop requiring and supporting the CPM exam and integrate its components into a new Alcohol and Other Drug Addiction (AODA) written exam. The OCDP Board is a member of the IC&RC and supports this decision. Moreover, the Board's licensing requirements are base on the IC&RC credentialing requirements. As a result, it is important for the Board to stay aligned with the

IC&RC.

The new AODA written exam containing the CPM exam components is scheduled for use starting June 13, 2008. Rolling the CPM exam components into this new written exam will reduce by one the number of exams a person must take to obtain licensure from the OCDP Board, making the OCDP Board license more accessible and potentially more attainable while maintaining a high quality chemical dependency treatment workforce.

SB 189 (125 G.A.) made a minor language change to the related statute 4758.40 with regards to the level of degree required to obtain the LICDC credential. SB 189 added language that a person must hold "at least" a masters degree in a behavioral science clearly permitting an individual with a higher degree to qualify for the LICDC credential. The Board intends to adjust the rule language regarding the degree level to harmonize it with current statute.

7. If the rule is an AMENDMENT, then summarize the changes and the content of the proposed rule; If the rule type is RESCISSION, NEW or NO CHANGE, then summarize the content of the rule:

This rule establishes the requirements for obtaining the Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals (OCDP) Board independent chemical dependency counselor license (LICDC). The proposed change to the rule will eliminate the provision requiring successful completion of the ICRC/AODA CPM oral examination (Case Presentation Method exam) as a criterion for obtaining the LICDC credential.

In order to harmonize this rule with current OCDP Board statute, the phrase "At least a" will be inserted at the beginning of line (A)(1) of this rule describing the level and type of degree a person must have to obtain the LICDC credential.

8. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference and the agency claims the incorporation by reference is exempt from compliance with sections 121.71 to 121.74 of the Revised Code because the text or other material is **generally available** to persons who reasonably can be expected to be affected by the rule, provide an explanation of how the text or other material is generally available to those persons:

*This response left blank because filer specified online that the rule does not incorporate a text or other material by reference.*

9. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material electronically, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material electronically was

infeasible:

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10. If the rule is being **rescinded** and incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material was infeasible:

*Not Applicable.*

11. If **revising** or **refiling** this rule, identify changes made from the previously filed version of this rule; if none, please state so:

*Not Applicable.*

12. 119.032 Rule Review Date: **3/20/2008**

(If the rule is not exempt and you answered NO to question No. 1, provide the scheduled review date. If you answered YES to No. 1, the review date for this rule is the filing date.)

NOTE: If the rule is not exempt at the time of final filing, two dates are required: the current review date plus a date not to exceed 5 years from the effective date for Amended rules or a date not to exceed 5 years from the review date for No Change rules.

### **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

13. Estimate the total amount by which *this proposed rule* would **increase / decrease** either **revenues / expenditures** for the agency during the current biennium (in dollars): Explain the net impact of the proposed changes to the budget of your agency/department.

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

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No fiscal impact is expected with the elimination of the Case Presentation Method (CPM) Exam as a requirement to obtain the Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals (OCDP) Board independent chemical dependency counselor license (LICDC). Any loss of revenue due to the CPM Exam elimination will be off set, in part, by the elimination of costs associated with conducting the exam.

Lost revenue will be further off set by an expected increase in the number of

individuals seeking an OCDP Board license. Rolling the CPM Exam components into the new written exam scheduled for use starting June 13, 2008 will reduce by one the number of exams a person must take to obtain licensure from the OCDP Board, making the Board license more accessible and potentially more achievable while maintaining a high quality chemical dependency treatment workforce.

No fiscal impact is expected with harmonizing the rule with a minor language change made in SB 189 (125th G.A.) related to the type of behavioral science degree that is required to obtain the LICDC credential.

14. Identify the appropriation (by line item etc.) that authorizes each expenditure necessitated by the proposed rule:

Line Item 4K9 930-609. No expenditures are necessary to implement the proposed changes to this rule.

15. Provide a summary of the estimated cost of compliance with the rule to all directly affected persons. When appropriate, please include the source for your information/estimated costs, e.g. industry, CFR, internal/agency:

There is no cost associated with compliance to the proposed changes to this rule.

16. Does this rule have a fiscal effect on school districts, counties, townships, or municipal corporations? **No**

17. Does this rule deal with environmental protection or contain a component dealing with environmental protection as defined in R. C. 121.39? **No**