Notice of Public Hearing

The Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Ohio Revised Code, hereby gives notice that it will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of considering the following subject matter:

The Amendment of the following rules:

4757-1-01	Notice of Board meetings, change Board name.
4757-1-04	Application of first license, change Board name.
4757-1-05	Set licensure fees for Marriage and Family Therapist licenses.
4757-3-01	Definitions to define Independent Marriage and Family Therapist, Marriage and Family Therapist, practice of Marriage and Family Therapy and client.
4757-3-03	Adopt abbreviations for IMFT and MFT and delete abbreviation for CA.
4757-5-01	Update code of conduct and professional practice to include Marriage and Family Therapists, and to further clarify section on competence, informed consent and termination and to strengthen mandatory reporting requirement.
4757-7-02	Include Marriage and Family Therapists in rule regarding practice being prohibited with an expired license.
4757-9-05	Include Marriage and Family Therapists in continuing professional education program requirements.
4757-9-06	Include Marriage and Family Therapists in sources of continuing professional education rules.
4757-11-01	Include Marriage and Family Therapists in denial and disciplinary action rules. Add failure to meet renewal requirements and falsification of renewal application as grounds for denial or disciplinary action.
4757-11-02	Include Marriage and Family Therapists in impaired practitioner rules.

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The Board also submits the following new rules:

4757-6-01	Establish guidelines for licensees who are submitting reports or evaluations to courts.
4757-6-02	Implement summary supervision requirements contained in ORC 4755.36.
4757-9-01	Establish continuing professional education requirements for Marriage and Family Therapists.
4757-25-01	Implement requirements for admission to Marriage and Family Therapist examination.
4757-25-02	Establish procedures for sitting for Marriage and Family Therapist examination.
4757-25-03	Implement requirements for licensure as a Marriage and Family Therapist.
4757-25-04	Implement requirements for license as a Independent Marriage and Family Therapist.
4757-25-05	Implement requirements for temporary licenses as Marriage and Family Therapists.
2757-25-06	Set forth requirements for endorsement of a Marriage and Family Therapist from another state.
4757-27-01	Further define scope of practice for a Marriage and Family Therapists.
4757-27-02	Further define the scope of practice for Independent Marriage and Family Therapists.
4757-27-03	Specific requirements for professional disclosure statements for Marriage and Family Therapists.
4757-29-01	Outline supervision requirements for Marriage and Family

The public hearings on the proposed action of the Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board will be conducted on Thursday, January 15, 2004, beginning at 9:00 am in room 1948, 77 South High Street, 19th floor, Columbus, Ohio. At this hearing the Board will receive relevant testimony, oral or written, by any person affected by the proposed action or by his/her attorney or both.

All interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard. Persons who wish to provide oral testimony at the hearing are encouraged to inform the Board prior to the hearing date. Preference will be given in the order of their testimony. Persons interested in providing written comments as a supplement to or in lieu of oral testimony may direct them to the attention of Beth Farnsworth, Executive Director, Ohio Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board, 77 South High Street, 16th Floor, Columbus, Ohio, 43215.

Copies of the proposed Rules will be on the Register of Ohio and on file with the Secretary of State, the Legislative Service Commission, and the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review, at least thirty (30) days prior to the public hearing, and are available at the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board, 77 South High Street, 16th Floor, Columbus, Ohio, 43215.

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BY:	
	Beth Farnsworth, Executive Director