

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

THE STATE OF OHIO ~ COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER & MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD, pursuant to CHAPTER 119., OHIO REVISED CODE, hereby gives notice that it will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of considering: new rule 4757-25-08; revised rules 4757-19-01, 4757-19-02, 4757-19-04, 4757-19-05, 4757-19-08, 4757-23-01, 4757-25-01, 4757-25-07 and 4757-29-01 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

| New: | Title | Changes |
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| 4757-25-08 | Marriage and family therapist trainee | Rule created to define new statute as result of HB 232. Allows students enrolled in MFT degree programs to obtain a trainee status while completing internship/practicum requirements |
| Revised: | Title | Changes |
| 4757-19-01 | Social worker trainee applications. | Requires examination for prior licensees that have been unlicensed for seven years or more. Removes related degree paragraphs and wall certificate language. |
| 4757-19-02 | Requirements for licensure as an independent social worker. | Adds the CSWE accreditation language from HB-232. Reflects new language for title of LISW with supervision designation. Requires examination for prior licensees that have been unlicensed for seven years or more. Removes related degree references. |
| 4757-19-04 | Social Worker examination policy. | Deleted related degree paragraph to reflect change in 4757.28 in HB-232 that removed related degrees for licensure. |
| 4757-19-05 | Social worker trainee applications. | Revisions to rule provide explanation of voluntary nature of the trainee status and reason for the rule and detail of the application process. |
| 4757-19-08 | Approval of applications for social worker licenses and registration. | Modifies approval process per changes to section 4757.16 of the Revised Code that allows the professional standards committees to write rules on how applications will be approved. More clearly states the current process. |
| 4757-23-01 | Social work supervision. | Revises LISW with supervision designation title and usage to clarify it is for training supervision and not required for work supervision. |

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| 4757-25-01 | Education requirements for admission to the examination for marriage and family therapist. | Practicum hour requirement is raised from 300 to 500 and practicum supervision is more closely defined |
| 4757-25-07 | Approval of applications for marriage and family therapist licenses. | Slight language changes to allow for more clarity and revision of statute and rule numbers for accuracy |
| 4757-29-01 | Marriage and family therapy supervision. | Clarifies work supervision and training supervisor requirements including the creation of a new supervisory designation |

The public hearing on the proposed actions of the Counselor, Social Worker & Marriage and Family Therapist Board is scheduled for Friday, September 19, 2014. The hearing will begin at 1:00 p.m., 15th floor, Ohio Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Release Compensation Board conference room, LeVeque Tower, 50 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, and from time to time thereafter as may be required by the Board to hear all relevant testimony, oral or written, by any person affected by the proposed action, his/her attorney, or both.

The full text of the proposed rules is available on the Board's website, <http://cswmft.ohio.gov>. All interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard. Those persons who wish to provide oral testimony at the hearing are encouraged to inform the Board prior to the hearing date and may be given preference in the order of their testimony. Persons interested in providing written comments in lieu of oral testimony may direct them to the attention of Brian Carnahan, Executive Director, Counselor, Social Worker & Marriage and Family Therapist Board, 50 West Broad Street Suite 1075, Columbus, Ohio 43215-5919. These written comments must be received by the Board before the close of the hearing record.

Copies of the proposed Rules will be on file with the Secretary of State, the Legislative Service Commission, and the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review, at least thirty days prior to the public hearing, and are available at the Counselor, Social Worker & Marriage and Family Therapist Board Offices at the aforementioned address.

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