



**Chemical Dependency Professionals Board  
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**Notice of Public Hearing**

**Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals Board**

Pursuant to Section 119.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, notice is hereby given that the Ohio Chemical Dependency Professionals (OCDP) Board intends to conduct a public hearing.

On 12/20/12 the 129th General Assembly passed HB 284. HB284 made several changes to the requirements and processes for certifying and licensing chemical dependency counselors and prevention specialists in the state of Ohio. This package of proposed rule changes will bring the Board's current regulations into compliance with the new statutory language which will take effect in March of 2013.

A public hearing will be conducted:

Date: March 18, 2013  
Time: 10:00 am  
Room: 1948  
Location: Vern Riffe Center  
77 S. High Street, 19<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Columbus, OH 43215

The proposed rule changes may be viewed in their entirety on the Board's website at <http://ocdp.ohio.gov/laws.stm>.

**The proposed amended rules are:**

**Revised: OAC 4758-1-01 Adoption of rules/methods of public notice**

There is a typographical error in this rule which is being corrected.

**Revised: OAC 4758-1-03 Minutes of board meetings**

The revision will change the way the board stores its minutes from a paper binder to an electronic format.

**Revised: OAC 4758-2-01 Definitions, abbreviations and titles**

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The revisions will adjust current definitions to harmonize them with the new statutory changes.

**Revised: OAC 4758-3-01 Fees**

Revisions will add fee types for the new levels being created as a result of the statutory changes.

**Revised: OAC 4758-4-01 Formal application for licensure or certification**

Revisions will add the new LICDC-CS and OCPSA levels being created as a result of the statutory changes.

**Revised: OAC 4758-5-01 Requirements for certification of chemical dependency counselor assistants (CDCA)**

Revisions are as follows:

- Requiring that 50% of the required education hours for this level be completed within the two year period immediately prior to application.
- Creating an initial CDCA certification which is valid for only 13 months and then requiring an additional 30 hours of education to obtain the two year renewable CDCA certification.

**Revised: OAC 4758-5-03 Requirements for licensure of chemical dependency counselor II (LCDC II)**

Revisions are as follows:

- Reducing the number of work experience hours required from 6,000 to 2,000.
- Reducing the number of practical experience hours required from 330 to 220.
- Reducing the number of education hours required from 270 to 180.

**Revised: OAC 4758-5-04 Requirements for licensure of chemical dependency counselors III (LCDC III)**

Revisions are as follows:

- Reducing the number of work experience hours required from 6,000 to 2,000.
- Reducing the number of practical experience hours required from 330 to 220.

- Reducing the number of education hours required from 270 to 180.
- Allowing individuals with a valid license to practice in the field from another board to waive the exam.

**Revised: OAC 4758-5-05 Requirements for licensure of independent chemical dependency counselors (LICDC)**

Revisions are as follows:

- Reducing the number of work experience hours required from 6,000 to 2,000 and removing the requirement to show work experience in supervision.
- Reducing the number of practical experience hours required from 330 to 220.
- Reducing the number of education hours required from 270 to 180 and removes the requirement to show education in supervision.
- Allowing individuals with a valid license to practice in the field from another board to waive the exam.

**Revised: OAC 4758-6-01 Scope of practice for chemical dependency counselor assistants (CDCA)**

This rule is being revised to identify two new authorized supervisor levels.

**Revised: OAC 4758-6-03 Scope of practice for licensed chemical dependency counselors II (LCDC II)**

This rule is being revised to identify ODADAS code which further clarifies scope.

**Revised: OAC 4758-6-04 Scope of practice for licensed chemical dependency counselors III (LCDC III)**

This rule is being revised to identify two new authorized supervisor levels and to incorporate language regarding the levels ability to supervise while under supervision.

**Revised: OAC 4758-6-05 Scope of practice for licensed independent chemical dependency counselors (LICDC)**

This rule is being revised to remove the ability to supervise without supervision. This level will now be permitted only to supervise if they are still under supervision.

**Revised: OAC 4758-8-01 Code of ethics for chemical dependency counselors**

This rule is being revised to include the new LICDC-CS level. The order of the two items listed in the impairment clause is also being reversed.

**Revised: OAC 4758-8-02 Code of ethics for clinical supervisors**

This rule is being revised to include the new LICDC-CS level.

**Revised: OAC 4758-8-03 Code of ethics for prevention specialists**

This rule is being revised to:

- include the new OCPSA level
- adjust the wording in the impairment clause from seek “therapy” to seek “appropriate professional assistance”
- create a clause that requires prevention professionals to report abuse

**Revised: OAC 4758-10-01 Disciplinary action against licensees, certificate holders, or applicants**

This rule is being revised to include the new LICDC-CS and OCPSA levels.

**Revised: OAC 4758-13-01 Continuing education requirements for CDCA, LCDC II, LCDC III, LICDC, LICDC-CS**

This rule is being revised to include the new LICDC-CS in renewal requirements.

**Revised: OAC 4758-13-02 Continuing education requirements for OCPSA, OCPS I and OCPS II**

This rule is being revised to add renewal requirements for the new OCPSA level. It is also adding a 3 hour ethics renewal requirement for all prevention credentials.

**Revised: OAC 4758-13-03 Special circumstances for the renewal of a license or certificate**

This rule is being revised to remove the requirement that a person file a renewal application if they are placing their license on inactive status.

**Revised: OAC 4758-13-04 Definitions of recognized clock hours**

This rule is being revised to add areas of education for prevention administration/supervision which is a new requirement of the OCPS II.

**Revised: OAC 4758-13-05 Lapsed license or certificate/restoration process**

This rule is being revised to account for new statutory provisions that:

- Prevent an RA from renewing or re-applying for the RA level
- Set the requirements by which a CDCA whose first 13 months of certification has lapsed may renew or re-apply

**Revised: OAC 4758-15-01 Reciprocity**

This rule is being revised to account for new statutory provisions as they relate to work and education requirements for certain levels. It identifies the requirements an individual must meet to obtain reciprocity.

**Revised: OAC 4758-20-02 Definitions, abbreviations and titles for confidential personal information**

The title of this rule is being revised for greater clarity of what it contains.

**Revised: OAC 4758-20-05 Confidentiality statutes for confidential personal information**

The title of this rule is being revised for greater clarity of what it contains.

**The proposed new rules are:**

**New: OAC 4758-4-02 Licensed independent chemical dependency counselor (LICDC) transition to licensed independent chemical dependency counselor-clinical supervisor**

OAC 4758-4-02 is a new rule which identifies the process by which current LICDC professionals will be transitioned to the new LICDC-CS.

**New: OAC 4758-4-03 Administering examinations for individuals seeking to be department of transportation substance abuse professionals (DOT/SAP)**

OAC 4758-4-03 is a new rule which identifies the process by which an individual can apply with the Board to take the ICRC/SAP examination.

**New: OAC 4758-5-06 Requirements for licensure of independent chemical dependency counselors-clinical supervisor (LICDC-CS)**

This rule creates the application requirements for the new LICDC-CS level.

**New: OAC 4758-5-07 Requirements for certification of registered applicants (RA)**

This rule is being renumbered from previous rule OAC 4758-5-06. Additionally, this rule:

- Requires that a person must be 18 years of age to apply
- Requires that a person must have a high school diploma or GED to apply
- Establishes this level as a 2 year certification and prevents this level from being renewed or re-applied for at the end of that 2 year period.

**New: OAC 4758-5-08 Requirements for certification of Ohio prevention specialists assistant (OCPSA)**

This rule creates the application requirements for the new OCPSA level.

**New: OAC 4758-5-09 Requirements for certification of Ohio prevention specialists I (OCPS I)**

This rule is being renumbered from previous rule OAC 4758-5-07. This rule additionally:

- reduces the number of prevention education hours from 270 to 100
- reduces the number of work experience hours from 6,000 to 2,000
- requires an associate's degree in an approved field of study

**New: OAC 4758-5-10 Requirements for certification of Ohio prevention specialists II (OCPS II)**

This rule is being renumbered from previous rule OAC 4758-5-08. This rule reduces the number of prevention education hours from 270 to 100. Additionally, this rule establishes this level as a supervisory level and adds the following requirements:

- 4,000 hours of administrative/supervisory work experience
- 90 hours of administrative/supervisory education

**New: OAC 4758-6-06 Scope of practice for licensed independent chemical dependency counselors-clinical supervisors (LICDC-CS)**

This rule is being created to identify the scope of practice for this new level.

**New: OAC 4758-6-07 Scope of practice for registered applicants (RA)**

This rule is being renumbered from previous rule OAC 4758-6-06.

**New: OAC 4758-6-08 Scope of practice for Ohio certified prevention specialists assistant (OCPSA)**

This rule is being created to identify the scope of practice for this new level.

**New: OAC 4758-6-09 Scope of practice for Ohio prevention specialists I (OCPS I)**

This rule is being renumbered from previous rule OAC 4758-6-07.

**New: OAC 4758-6-10 Scope of practice for Ohio prevention specialists II (OCPS II)**

This rule is being renumbered from previous rule OAC 4758-6-08.

**The proposed rescinded rules are:**

**Rescind: OAC 4758-5-06 Requirements for certification of registered applicants (RA)**

This rule is being renumbered as OAC 4758-5-07.

**Rescind: OAC 4758-5-08 Requirements for certification of Ohio prevention specialists I (OCPS I)**

This rule is being renumbered as OAC 4758-5-09.

**Rescind: OAC 4758-5-09 Requirements for certification of Ohio prevention specialists II (OCPS II)**

This rule is being renumbered as OAC 4758-5-10.

**Rescind: OAC 4758-6-06 Scope of practice for registered applicants (RA)**

This rule is being renumbered as OAC 4758-6-07.

**Rescind: OAC 4758-6-07 Scope of practice for Ohio prevention specialists I (OCPS I)**

This rule is being renumbered as OAC 4758-6-09.

**Rescind: OAC 4758-6-08 Scope of practice for Ohio prevention specialists II (OCPS II)**

This rule is being renumbered as OAC 4758-6-10.