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BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EXAMINERS
RULES SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, April 24, 2014

Members Present: Kirk Bowden, Yvonne Fortier, Jerri Shields, Patricia Dobratz, Laura Masters, Shiloh Lundahl, Jessica Thomas, Del Worley

Members Absent: Nikole Hintz-Lyon

Staff Present: Donna Dalton, Assistant Director, Elizabeth Campbell, Assistant Attorney General, Mary Wilson

1. **Call to order**

The meeting was called to order on April 24, 2014, at 9:10 am with Dr. Bowden presiding.

2. **Roll call**

See Above.

3. **Review and approval of minutes**

A. Ms. Shields moved, seconded by Ms. Fortier, to approve the general meeting minutes from the February 13, 2014 meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Worley, Ms. Masters, Mr. Lundahl, and Ms. Thomas abstained from the vote.

B. Ms. Fortier moved, seconded by Ms. Dobratz to approve the general meeting minutes from the March 13, 2014 meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Masters and Ms. Thomas abstained from the vote.

C. Ms. Shields moved, seconded by Ms. Thomas to approve the general meeting minutes from the March 27, 2014 meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Bowden and Ms. Fortier abstained from the vote.

4. **Report from the Chair**

Dr. Bowden expressed to the stakeholders that they would be called for their report prior to the subcommittee discussing agenda item 6B.

5. **Report from Staff**

Members reviewed a definition for "Clinical Social Work" as recommended by the Social Work Credentialing Committee.

Mr. Lundahl moved, seconded by Ms. Thomas to accept the proposed definition as presented with modifications requested by members.

The motion passed unanimously.

6. **Discussion and possible action regarding development of proposed rule changes**

A. Members reviewed draft versions of R4-6-1101, R4-6-1102, and R4-6-1103 with modifications suggested by the four credentialing committees.

Ms. Thomas moved, seconded by Ms. Worley, to approve the rules as presented with modifications

requested by members.

The motion passed unanimously.

The subcommittee took a break at 10:26 a.m., reconvening its public meeting at 10:37 a.m.

- B. Members discussed the process for placing a supervisor on an approval registry. They recommended that:
- A supervisor must request to be added to the registry.
 - An initial 12 hours of CEU's in clinical supervision must be taken prior to approval.
 - Initial 12 hours must be taken after being approved for independent licensure.
 - Approval would be for 3 or 4 years and ongoing CEU's would be 3 per year.
 - The approvals would be on a different schedule than the supervisor's license renewal.
 - A minimum amount of time in independent practice will not be required for approval.
 - There should be discipline-specific requirements for those supervisors wishing to provide clinical supervision to disciplines they are not licensed in.

Members requested that Board staff ask for each credentialing committees' input on what education requirements would be required for a licensee to provide supervision to its applicants.

7. Stakeholders' report

- A. Rory Hays, representing the Arizona Council of Human Service Providers, commented on the following:
- The intent of requirements in 32-3253(15) which require the Board to maintain a registry of licensees who have met the education requirements to provide supervision to applicants in the same profession. Ms. Hays expressed that the expectation was an applicant would be able to review the registry to find a clinical supervisor who was up to date in the educational requirements for providing supervision and in the specific requirements for the applicant's discipline.
 - The intent of requirements in 32-3253(16) which requires the Board to adopt rules for the approval of persons who wish to provide supervision and are not licensed by the Board and are licensed in a profession other than the profession in which the applicant is seeking licensure. Ms. Hays indicated that the intent for this addition in statute was for medical doctors, psychologists, etc. to have an approval process to become supervisors.
- B. Melissa Baker and Karen Gage, representing the Arizona Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, commented on the following:
- Board should consider allowing clinical supervisors from other disciplines to supervise associate marriage and family therapists. They felt having a requirement for marriage and family specific continuing education such as 10 hours per renewal would suffice. They recommended that the 10 hours be from an AAMFT sponsored event.
 - There have been recent conversations between AZAMFT and the AZAMFT Ombudsman's office regarding lowering the clinical supervision hours required for an applicant for independent MFT licensure from 200 to 100 to align with the other disciplines.
 - Requested that the Board consider an extension of an associate level license for those upgrading to an independent level license so that licensees don't have to pay to renew their associate license and then pay to apply and have their independent license issued.
- C. Elizabeth Forsyth and Dr. Patricia Kerstner, representing the Arizona Counselors Association, commented on the following:
- R4-6-211 requires a supervisor and supervisee to be employed at the same entity. They felt the profession is moving toward an integrated model where more professionals and/or supervisors will be independent contractors.
 - The requirement for submitting a bio on the teacher of a CEU for clinical supervision is not in rules and there should be a means for a clinical supervisor to know if their CEU would be accepted prior to taking it.
 - Requested that the subcommittee consider requiring CEUs for those clinical supervisors holding a certification in R4-6-212(L) to assist them in remaining current.

8. **Future agenda items**

Members requested that the discussion of clinical supervision continue at the next meeting.

9. **Call for public comment**

Richard Poppy, representing Therapeutic Practitioner's Alliance, commented on the following:

- He appreciates the subcommittee using Oregon as a sample state.
- Recommends reviewing the American Association of State Credentialing Boards.
- Feels the subcommittee should reconsider the decision to not require a minimum amount of independent practice time prior to becoming an approved supervisor.

10. **Establishment of future meeting date(s)**

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 8, 2014 at 9 a.m., at 3443 N Central Ave, Room 908.

11. **Adjournment**

Ms. Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Lundahl, to adjourn the meeting.

The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 11:54 a.m.

Jessica Thomas
Secretary

Date