

LMLP Advisory Committee

10-28-15

3:00 p.m.

LMLP Advisory committee meeting held on Wednesday, October 28 2015. Larry called the phone meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. in the BSRB Board Room. Chair, Larry Salmans and BSRB staff members, Max Foster, Leslie Allen and Marilyn Revell were present in person. Joining them via teleconference was Barbara Cordts, Jay Mann, Susan Montague, Tom Pletcher in Wichita and Ron Speier in Hays.

Max went over major provisions in SB 254 (57-page bill):

- Establish consistent language across all professions
- Reciprocity – “licensed 60 out of the last 66 months”
- Standardize language across all professions to “Deny, revoke or suspend” a license
- In social work, to change the safety training requirement from after licensing to allow the training to be obtained while still in school
- Establish a masters level license for Addiction Counselors (LMAC)
- Change the statutory language from “shall” charge a fee to “may” charge a fee to allow flexibility in changing or eliminating fees
- Put social work and psychology under KAPA proceedings instead of KOMA to be consistent with all the other BSRB professions
- Establish supervisor training standards for professional counselors, social workers and marriage and family therapists. Licensed psychologists and licensed master level psychologists already have that in the education requirements.
- Allowing for the ability to require background checks and fingerprinting for all applicants
- Eliminate language that refers to the DSM in statutes (for administrative purposes only- each time the DSM version changed, the BSRB regulation needs to be updated)
- Leslie will email SB254 to all the committee members – parts of the bill concerning LMLPs & LCPs begins on page 45
- “independent practice” vs. “under direction” – The BSRB instructed Max to take this issue to the AG office for clarification. Larry promised to get the Advisory Committee’s feedback about this.
- Behavioral Analysts will be licensed starting July 1, 2016. There are many exceptions to who can practice with Applied Behavioral Analysis. The LMLP/LCPs were left out of the exceptions.

Tom Pletcher is concerned about redefining the scope of practice as it refers to the BA practice. Larry stated that currently, LMLP/LCPs are not involved in this law. Susan asked if, in the future, any therapy that is utilized will have to require licensing? Susan pointed out that in the education process, various treatments are taught.

No future meeting was scheduled. Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:35 pm.