

**Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board
Master's Level Psychology Advisory Committee Meeting
June 7, 2023**

Approved Minutes

- I. Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by David Anderson, Chair of the Advisory Committee, at 1:00 p.m.

Master's Level Psychology Advisory Committee Members. Advisory Committee Members who participated by Zoom or phone were David Anderson, Joshua Tanguay, Iris Pauly, Kari Wold, Rebecca Jabara, Donna Hoener-Queal, and Travis Hamrick. Lauren Lucht was absent.

BSRB Staff. BSRB staff members who participated by Zoom included David Fye and Leslie Allen.

Guests. None

- II. Approval of the Agenda.** Joshua Tanguay moved to approve the agenda. Donna Hoener-Queal seconded. The motion passed.
- III. Review and Approval of Minutes.** Donna Hoener-Queal moved to approve the minutes from the Advisory Committee meeting on April 12, 2023. Travis Hamrick seconded. The motion passed.
- IV. Executive Director's Report.** David Fye, Executive Director for the BSRB, provided updates on agency operations, updates from BSRB Board meetings, and legislative updates.
- V. Old Business**
- A. Continued Discussion on Recognizing APA Accreditation from LP Programs as Satisfying Accreditation Standard for Master's Level Psychology Applicants.** The Advisory Committee discussed that currently, no national accrediting body exists for master's level psychology programs. To license applicants, the BSRB must consider the program and coursework requirements in the statutes and the regulations. Currently, if an applicant applies for licensure, the BSRB will send a questionnaire to the school for information on whether the program meets the requirements for licensure. For other professions, accreditation by a national accrediting body can assist the BSRB in moving those applicants through the process more quickly. The Advisory Committee discussed whether to allow education from Licensed Psychology (LP) programs that are accredited by the American Psychology Association (APA) in place of traditional educational

requirements. The Advisory Committee requested the Assistant Director and Licensing Manager look into this topic and draft proposed changes to regulation to accomplish this objective so that the Advisory Committee could review this language.

B. Continued Discussion of Potential Changes to Regulation on Clinical

Training Plans (K.A.R. 102-4-7a). The Advisory Committee discussed current language in regulation which requires changes to an approved training plan to be submitted within 45 days of making the changes, otherwise the Board shall deny hours accrued after making that change. The Executive Director explained that one option would be for agency staff to send out a reminder to individuals with an approved training plan every 60 days to remind them to report changes made to their training plan. Questions were raised whether hours should be not counted if a change would have been approved if it had been submitted in a timely manner. Another option would be to list examples of substantial changes that should be reported, such as work setting, types of clients, and supervisor changes. Advisory Committee members were supportive of the BSRB sending out periodic reminders that changes should be reported. Also, the Advisory Committee was supportive of changing the language in the regulation to allow more flexibility for the Board to be able to review hours that would have been rejected, rather than the current language that states that hours “shall” be rejected if a change is not submitted within 45 days.

C. Continued Discussion on Regulations

- i. **K.A.R. 102-4-10a Continuing Education.** The Executive Director noted that he attempted to research the total number of required continuing education hours for master’s level psychology licensees in each state, however that information was difficult to obtain, as only 17 states license psychologists at the master’s level and not all states use the same titles as the BSRB. However, the Executive Director noted that for states that license psychologists, most states require 40 hours, rather than 50 hours, of continuing education every two years. The Advisory Committee recommended decreasing the number of required continuing education hours from 50 hours to 40 hours. Advisory Committee members questioned why licensees cannot earn all of their continuing education hours online. The Advisory Committee recommended that the regulation be changed so that all continuing education hours could be obtained online as long as there is a post-test associated with the online trainings. The Advisory Committee recommended adding language for licensees to be able to obtain continuing education hours by either receiving or providing supervision.
- ii. **K.A.R. 102-4-11a Documentation for Continuing Education:** Advisory Committee members recommended that with supervision, a written verification including the supervisor and supervisee’s signature be required. It was the recommendation by consensus to remove point (i) on the regulation, but to add that reading can be done to accrue hours.

- iii. **K.A.R. 102-4-13 Use of Computerized Psychological Tests:** Advisory Committee members expressed interest in updating the date reference for materials referenced in the regulation and recommended changing item (b)(5) to replace “in person” with “face-to-face.” It was the consensus to discuss possible further changes at the next Advisory Committee meeting.

VI. New Business

- A. Discussion on Adding New Members to Advisory Committee.** The Advisory Committee discussed applicants and decided to recommend adding three individuals. By consensus, the Advisory Committee recommended adding Bruce Johnson, Robert Pedroza, and Jennifer Schreiner to the Advisory Committee. The Executive Director will provide that recommendation to the Chair of the Board for review.
- B. Discussion on Unprofessional Conduct Regulations from Other Professions.** It was the consensus to wait to discuss this item until next meeting due to time restraints.

VII. Possible Additional Agenda Items. None.

VIII. Next Meeting: The next Advisory Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, August 16, 2023.

IX. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned.