

102-4-10a. Continuing education for licensees.

(a) During each two-year renewal period, each licensee shall complete 50 hours of documented and board-approved continuing education oriented to the enhancement of a master's level psychologist's practice, values, ethics, skills, or knowledge. Continuing education hours accumulated in excess of the required 50 hours shall not be carried over to the next renewal period.

(b) Professional ethics continuing education requirement. During each two-year renewal period and as a part of the required continuing education hours, each licensee shall complete a program on professional ethics consisting of at least three continuing education hours of formal training in ethics. These hours shall be obtained from any of the activities specified in paragraphs (e)(1), (e)(2), (e)(3), and (e)(4).

(c) Diagnosis and treatment continuing education requirement. During each two-year renewal period and as a part of the required continuing education hours, each licensee shall complete a program on diagnosis and treatment consisting of at least six continuing education hours of formal training in diagnosis and treatment. These hours shall be obtained from any of the activities specified in paragraphs (e)(1), (e)(2), (e)(3), and (e)(4).

(d) Continuing education credit for approved programs shall be awarded on the basis of one continuing education hour for each 50 minutes actually spent in attendance at instructional activities. One-quarter continuing education hour shall be awarded for attendance of at least 15 but fewer than 30 minutes. Continuing education credit shall not be granted for fractional units of fewer than 15 minutes.

(e) Acceptable continuing education, whether taken within the state or outside the state, shall include the following:

(1) Activities that are sponsored, accredited, or conducted by educational institutions, by professional associations, or by private institutions that are nationally or regionally accredited for education or training. The maximum number of hours allowed shall be 50;

(2) activities conducted by agencies, groups, and continuing education providers that do not meet the requirements of national or regional accreditation, if the content is clearly related to the enhancement of psychology practice, skills, knowledge, values, or ethics. The maximum number of hours allowed shall be 50;

(3) academic psychology courses that are either taken for academic credit or audited. For courses taken for academic credit, 15 continuing education hours shall be granted for each semester credit hour that is successfully completed. Quarter hours shall be granted according to K.A.R. 102-4-1a(u). For academic courses that are audited, one continuing education hour shall be granted for each hour of actual classroom attendance and participation. The maximum number of hours allowed shall be 50;

(4) seminars, institutes, workshops, or mini-courses. The maximum number of hours allowed shall be 50;

(5) cross-disciplinary offerings in medicine, law, the behavioral sciences, a foreign or sign language, computer science, professional or technical writing, business administration, management sciences, or any other discipline, if the offerings are clearly related to the enhancement of a master's level psychologist's practice, values, skills, ethics, or knowledge. The maximum number of hours allowed shall be 20;

(6) the first-time presentation of courses, workshops, or other formal training activities, if the content is clearly related to the enhancement of psychology practice, values, skills,

ethics, or knowledge. For each first-time presentation, a maximum of 10 continuing education hours may be approved. If more than one master's level psychologist or other professional gave the presentation, the continuing education credit shall be prorated among the presenters. The maximum number of hours allowed shall be 15;

(7) the first-time publication of a psychology article in a juried professional journal or first-time publication of a book chapter in a psychology text. For each first-time publication, a maximum of 10 continuing education hours may be approved. If more than one master's level psychologist or other professional authored the article or book chapter, the continuing education credit shall be prorated among the authors. The maximum number of hours allowed shall be 20;

(8) if a posttest is provided, an activity consisting of completing a computerized interactive learning module, viewing a telecast or videotape, listening to an audiotape, or reading. The maximum number of hours allowed shall be 40;

(9) if a posttest is not provided, an activity consisting of completing a computerized interactive learning module, viewing a telecast or videotape, listening to an audiotape, or reading. The maximum number of hours allowed shall be 10;

(10) supervision of undergraduate or graduate practicum or intern students, applicants for licensure as master's level psychologists, or other professional mental health practitioners for which the maximum number of hours allowed shall be 20. Continuing education credit for providing this supervision shall not exceed a total of five hours per semester;

(11) self-directed learning projects preapproved by the board. The maximum number of hours allowed shall be 10;

(12) participation in quality care activities that may include client diagnosis review conferences, client staffings, treatment utilization review, peer or supervisory reviews, case consultations with other professional staff, or participation in formal quality-assurance activities. The maximum number of hours allowed shall be five;

(13) holding office or serving on a committee in a professional organization, if the organization's goals are clearly related to the enhancement of psychology practice, values, skills, ethics, or knowledge. The maximum number of hours allowed shall be 10; and

(14) receiving personal psychotherapy from a licensed or certified mental health provider that is part of a designated training program. The maximum number of hours allowed shall be five.

(f) In determining whether or not a claimed continuing education activity shall be allowed, the master's level psychologist may be required by the board to satisfactorily demonstrate that the content was clearly related to psychology, or to provide verification of the master's level psychologist's participation in any claimed or reported activity. If a master's level psychologist fails to comply with this requirement, the claimed credit may be disallowed by the board.

(g) Continuing education approval shall not be granted for any of the following activities:

(1) First aid, infection control, or occupational health and safety courses;

(2) in-service training if the training is for job orientation or job training, or is specific to the employing agency; or

(3) any activity for which the licensee cannot demonstrate to the board's satisfaction that the program's goals and objectives are to enhance the licensee's psychology practice, values, skills, ethics, or knowledge.

(h) Each licensee shall maintain individual continuing education records. Continuing education records shall document the licensee's continuing education activity attendance, participation, or completion as defined by K.A.R. 102-4-11a. These records may be required to be submitted to the board at least 30 days before the expiration date of each current licensure period or upon a random audit.

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