

R156. Commerce, Occupational and Professional Licensing.

R156-60d. Substance Use Disorder Counselor Act Rule.

R156-60d-101. Title.

This rule is known as the "Substance Use Disorder Counselor Act Rule."

R156-60d-102. Definitions.

In addition to the definitions regarding substance use disorder counseling practice in Title 58, Chapters 1 and 60, as used in Title 58, Chapters 1 and 60, the following rule definitions supplement the statutory definitions:

(1) "Accredited institution of higher education that meet division standards," as used in Subsections 58-60-506(2)(a)(i) and (5)(a)(i), means an educational institution that has accreditation that is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).

(2) "ASAM" means the American Society of Addiction Medicine.

(3) "DSM-IV or 5" means the Diagnostic Statistical Manual of Mental Health Disorders published by the American Psychiatric Association.

(4) "IC&RC" means the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium.

(5) "Initial assessment" means the procedure of gathering psycho-social information, including the application of the Addiction Severity Index, to recommend a level of treatment and to assist the mental health therapist supervisor in the information collection process, and may include a referral to an appropriate treatment program.

(6) "NAADAC" means the Association for Addiction Professionals.

(7) "Prerequisite courses," as used in Subsections 58-60-506(2)(a)(iii) and (5)(a)(iii), means courses completed before qualifying for licensure.

(8) "SASSI" means Substance Abuse Subtle Screening Inventory.

(9) "Screening," as used in Subsection 58-60-502(9)(b) and (10)(b)(i), means a brief interview conducted in person or by telephone to determine if there is a potential substance abuse problem. If a potential problem is identified, the screening may include a referral for an initial assessment or a substance use disorder evaluation. The screening may also include a preliminary ASAM Criteria recommendation in order to expedite the subsequent assessment and evaluation process. Screening instruments such as the SASSI may be included in the screening process.

(10) "Substance use disorder evaluation" means the process used to interpret information gathered from an initial assessment, other instruments as needed, and a face to face interview by a licensed mental health therapist in order to determine if an individual meets the DSM-IV or 5 criteria for substance abuse or dependence and is in need of treatment. If the need for treatment is determined, the substance use disorder evaluation process includes the determination of a DSM-IV or 5 diagnosis and the determination of an individualized treatment plan.

(11) "Substance use disorder education program," as used in Subsection 58-60-506(2)(b) and (5)(b), means college or university coursework at an accredited institution.

(12) "Unprofessional conduct", as defined in Title 58 Chapters 1 and 60, is further defined, in accordance with Subsection 58-1-203(1)(e), in Section R156-60d-502.

R156-60d-103. Authority - Purpose.

This rule is adopted by the Division under the authority of Subsection 58-1-106(1)(a) to enable the Division to administer Title 58, Chapter 60, Part 5.

R156-60d-104. Organization - Relationship to Rule R156-1.

The organization of this rule and its relationship to Rule R156-1 is as described in Section R156-1-107.

R156-60d-302a. Qualifications for Licensure - Education Requirements.

(1) In accordance with Subsection 58-60-506(2)(a)(iii) and (5)(a)(iii), two prerequisite courses shall be completed at an accredited institution and shall cover the following subjects:

- (a) human development across the lifespan; and
- (b) general psychology.

(2) In accordance with Subsection 58-60-506(5)(a)(ii), completion of the equivalent of an associate's degree includes not less than 90 quarter or 60 semester credit hours of course work from accredited institutions of higher education that have accreditation recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).

R156-60d-302b. Qualifications for Licensure - Supervised Experience Requirements.

(1) In accordance with Subsection 58-60-506(2)(c), the 4,000 hours of supervised experience in substance use disorder treatment required to qualify an applicant for the advanced substance use disorder counselor license shall consist of providing substance use disorder counseling services as defined in Subsection 58-60-502(9).

(2) In accordance with Subsection 58-60-506(5)(c), the 2,000 hours of supervised experience in substance use disorder treatment required to qualify an applicant for the substance use disorder counselor license shall consist of providing substance use disorder counseling services as defined in Subsection 58-60-502(10).

(3) In accordance with Subsections 58-60-506(2)(c)(i) and 58-60-506(5)(c)(i), supervised experience shall be completed:

(a) under direct supervision as defined in Section 58-60-502(3) and R156-60-102(4), by a supervisor who meets the requirements of Section 58-60-508 and Section R156-60-302; and

(b) in accordance with Section R156-60-302, which requires a written supervision contract and establishes certain duties and responsibilities for the supervisor and supervisee.

R156-60d-302c. Qualifications for Licensure - Examination Requirements.

In accordance with Subsections 58-60-506(1)(e) and 58-60-115(5)(b), the examination required is:

(1) for licensure as a certified advanced substance use disorder counselor and an advanced substance use disorder counselor:

(a) the written NAADAC National Certification Exam Level II or MAC with a minimum criterion score set by NAADAC;

or

(b) the written ICRC Advanced Alcohol and Drug (AADC) Examination with a minimum criterion score as set by ICRC;

and

(2) for licensure as a certified substance use disorder counselor or substance use disorder counselor:

(a) the written NAADAC National Certification Exam Levels I, II or MAC with a minimum criterion score set by NAADAC;

or

(b) the written ICRC Alcohol and Drug Counselor (ADC) or Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor (AADC) Examination with a minimum criterion score as set by ICRC.

R156-60d-303. Renewal Cycle - Procedures.

(1) In accordance with Subsection 58-1-308(1), the renewal date for the two-year renewal cycle applicable to licensees under Title 58, Chapter 60, Part 5 is established by rule in Subsection R156-1-308a(1).

(2) Renewal procedures shall be in accordance with Section R156-1-308c.

R156-60d-304. Continuing Education.

In accordance with Section 58-60-105, the continuing professional education requirements for a substance use disorder counselor licensed under Title 58, Chapter 60, Part 5 are established in Section R156-60-105.

R156-60d-307. License Reinstatement - Requirements.

In accordance with Subsection 58-1-308(5) and subject to Section R156-1-308g, an applicant for reinstatement of a license more than two years after the date the license expired shall:

(1) meet with the Board upon request for the purpose of evaluating the applicant's current ability to engage safely and competently in practice as a substance use disorder counselor and to make a determination of any additional education, experience or examination requirements that will be required before reinstatement;

(2) pass the examination required in Section R156-60d-302c if it is determined necessary by the Board to demonstrate the applicant's ability to engage safely and competently in practice as a substance use disorder counselor; and

(3) complete at least 40 hours of continuing education in subjects determined by the Board as necessary to ensure the applicant's ability to engage safely and competently in practice as a substance use disorder counselor.

R156-60d-502. Unprofessional Conduct.

"Unprofessional conduct" includes:

(1) violating of any provision of the NAADAC, the Association for Addiction Professionals (October 9, 2016) NAADAC and NCC AP Code of Ethics, which is hereby incorporated by reference;

(2) violating any provision applicable to a supervisor under Section 58-60-508 or Section R156-60-302;

(3) violating any provision applicable to a supervisee under Section R156-60-302; or

(4) directing one's mental health therapist supervisor to engage in a practice that would violate any statute, rule, or generally accepted professional or ethical standard of the supervisor's profession.

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