Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Bureau of Professional Licensing Administrative Rules for Counseling – General Rules Rule Set 2021-58 LR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Wednesday, December 14, 2022 09:00 AM

G. Mennen Williams Building Auditorium 525 W. Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan

The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on proposed changes to the Counseling – General Rules rule set.

The proposed rules will: clarify definitions and the meaning of terms used in the rules; supply conditions for telehealth and related patient consent; update higher institution educational program accreditation standards and include Canadian program educational standards; clarify the educational training program requirements for applicants who are graduates of both CACREP and non-CACREP accredited programs; clarify language under the human trafficking rule; include clean-up of references to limited licensed counselor, so that the language is consistent with statute; include a new requirement of a separate statement to the department identifying the Michigan licensed professional counselor who is supervising the limited licensed counselor's practice and the licensed professional counselor's supervising qualifications; include revisions to allow experience gained in the immediate physical presence of the supervisor to also occur via 2-way real-time audiovisual technology that allows direct, contemporaneous interaction by sight and sound between the supervisor and the supervisee; include revisions to allow showing proof of licensure in a province of Canada as a pathway to licensure; clarify that showing proof of passing the National Clinical Mental Health Counseling Examination (NCMHCE) would also satisfy the examination requirement for relicensure: clarify the criteria that a limited licensed counselor must send in for the department and board's consideration of an extension of the ten-year limitation to holding the limited license; and update the language related to supplying counseling supervision.

By authority conferred on the department in consultation with the board under MCL 333.16141, 333.16145, 333.16148, 333.16201, 333.18101, 333.18106, 333.18107, and 333.18111, and Executive Reorganization Nos. 1991-9, 1996-2, 2003-1, 2008-4, and 2011-4, MCL 338.3501, 445.2001, 445.2011, 445.2025, and 445.2030.

The proposed rules will take effect immediately after filing with the Secretary of State. The proposed rules are published on the State of Michigan's website at www.michigan.gov/ARD and in the 12/1/2022 issue of the Michigan Register. Copies of these proposed rules may also be obtained by mail or electronic mail at the following email address: BPL-BoardSupport@michigan.gov.

Comments on these proposed rules may be made at the hearing, by mail, or by electronic mail at the following addresses until 12/14/2022 at 05:00PM.

Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Bureau of Professional Licensing – Boards and Committees Section P.O. Box 30670 Lansing, MI 48909-8170 Attention: Departmental Specialist

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The public hearing will be conducted in compliance with the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act. If the hearing is held at a physical location, the building will be accessible with handicap parking available. Anyone needing assistance to take part in the hearing due to disability may call 711- to make arrangements.