



TENNESSEE SEX OFFENDER TREATMENT

BOARD POLICY NO. 10

SUPERVISION OF APPROVED PROVIDERS/EVALUATORS

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to establish the optimal standards and expectations for Approved Evaluators and Approved Providers, who supervise. It is based on the premise that supervisors strive to achieve competence in the provision of supervision as well as use a competency-based approach to the supervision process.

Qualifications for Approved Evaluators:

An Approved Evaluator may be a supervisor after approval from the TSOTB. In addition, the Approved Evaluator shall:

1. have completed a minimum of 50 hours of training specific to the Evaluation of Sex Offender Risk (Psychosexual Evaluation) conducted at the State, Regional, and/or National level documented with training certificates and/or verification of attendance.
2. have a minimum of 2,000 hours of experience in conducting Evaluations of Sex Offender Risk (Psychosexual Evaluation) that includes 250 hours of supervision as it relates to conducting said evaluations. Supervision must be documented and signed by the person conducting the supervision. The supervisor must have also met this standard.
3. have a minimum of 100 Evaluations of Sex Offender Risk (Psychosexual Evaluations) completed post-licensure. This will be verified through a notarized statement attesting that this requirement has been met and documented in the Approved Evaluator's CV.
4. demonstrate competency in supervision as indicated by completing formal training on the conduct of supervision, which training includes supervision of the trainee provider's ability to supervise. This shall be documented with training certificates and/or verification of attendance.
5. demonstrate a high quality of written evaluations through clear and consistent communication with the courts, TDOC, DCS, or any other stakeholder as well as have an absence of any credible complaints or formal action from said community partners.
6. be a member of the Association of Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA).



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Qualifications for Approved Providers:

An Approved Provider may be a supervisor after approval from the TSOTB. In addition, the Approved Provider shall:

1. have a minimum of 200 hours of training specific to sex offender treatment documented with training certificates and/or verification of attendance.
2. have a minimum of 5,000 hours experience in conducting sex offender treatment. This will be verified through a notarized statement attesting that this requirement has been met and documented in the Approved Provider's CV.
3. have a minimum of 7 years of experience conducting sex offender treatment post-licensure. This will be verified through a notarized statement attesting that this requirement has been met and documented in the Approved Evaluator's CV.
4. demonstrate competency in supervision as indicated by completing formal training on conducting supervision, which training includes supervision of the trainee provider's ability to supervise. This shall be documented with training certificates and/or verification of attendance.
5. demonstrate a high quality of clear and consistent communication with the courts, TDOC, DCS, or any other stakeholder as well have an absence of any credible complaints or formal action from said community partners.
6. be a member of the Association of Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA)

Expectations of Supervisors:

1. Supervision is a distinct professional relationship that employs a collaborative approach that has both facilitative and evaluative components. It extends over time, and has the goals of:
 - a. enhancing the professional competence and practice of the provider,
 - b. monitoring the quality of services provided
 - c. protecting the public, and
 - d. providing a gatekeeping function for the standard of Providers.

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