

**State of Tennessee** 

# **Department of Health**

# **Tennessee Board of Social Worker Licensure**

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# **Applications and Procedures for**

LICENSED ADVANCED PRACTICE SOCIAL WORKER

RDA 10137

# No members of any other mental health or medical discipline will qualify as an approved supervisor for L.C.S.W. or L.A.P.S.W. licensure.

Conflict of Interest Supervision - Supervision provided by the applicant's parents, spouse, former spouse, siblings, children, cousins, in-laws (present or former), step-children, grandparents, grandchildren, aunts, uncles, employees, or anyone sharing the same household shall not be acceptable toward fulfillment of licensure requirements. For the purposes of this rule, a supervisor shall not be considered an employee of the applicant, if the only compensation received by the supervisor consists of payment for actual supervisory hours.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

It is the applicant's responsibility to review the current Rules and Laws for Social Work to determine if you meet the qualifications for licensure. You may obtain a copy by going to <a href="http://tn.gov/health/topic/sw-board">http://tn.gov/health/topic/sw-board</a>.

Individuals who do not qualify for the licensure at this time are encouraged to complete deficient requirements if you intend to practice as a social worker in Tennessee.

It is the applicant's responsibility to keep the board notified whenever a change of name or mailing address occurs. Such notification must be in writing and you must reference your profession and the board in your correspondence. Supporting documentation and written request for a name change must state the reason for the change, i.e., marriage, divorce, etc.

Every effort is made to keep you informed, in writing, of the status of your application and to process your application in a timely, efficient manner. Inquiries regarding the status of a file will be responded to in writing. Please refrain from calling the board office to check on the status of your application. It generally takes 4-6 weeks to process an application.

You must put your social security number on this form for the application to be complete. State and federal law require social security numbers on this application. Tenn. Code. Ann. § 36-5-1301(a), as authorized by 42 U.S.C. § 405(c)(2)(C)(i). The number will be used to verify your identity, to ask questions about your financial responsibility, and for any other purpose allowed by state or federal law. When you provide your social security number on this application and sign the form, you are agreeing that Department of Health may use your social security number in furtherance of federal and state law, for example, to collect delinquent fees.

#### APPLICATION PROCESS FOR LICENSED ADVANCED PRACTICE SOCIAL WORKER

# **SECTION I**

## LICENSED ADVANCED PRACTICE SOCIAL WORKER BY EXAMINATION:

#### CHECK LIST FOR LICENSED ADVANCED PRACTICE SOCIAL WORK

You request others to send
<ul> <li>Request that an official transcript be mailed from the educational institution at which you completed your master's degree in social work directly to the Board of Social Worker Licensure.</li> <li>If you are or have ever been licensed, certified, registered, or permitted by any state to practice as a social worker (or as any other health care professional), you must request a verification from each and every state. The verification must be mailed directly to the Board's Office</li> </ul>
from the other state(s).  Criminal Background Check For instructions go to: <a href="http://www.tn.gov/health/topic/CBC-check">http://www.tn.gov/health/topic/CBC-check</a> (once you have successfully passed the ASWB exam you must apply for the criminal background check)
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**Note:** At least sixty (60) of the one hundred (100) supervisor contact hours must be one-to-one supervision between the supervisor and supervisee; no more than forty (40) hours may be in a situation where the supervisor is working with no more that four (4) supervisees in a group setting.

## **SECTION III**

## CHECK LIST FOR LICENSED ADVANCED PRACTICE SOCIAL WORK BY RECIPROCITY

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<ul> <li>Completed and signed application</li> <li>Fees of \$235.00 (\$100.00 application fee plus \$125.00 license fee plus \$10.00 State regulatory fee) payable to the Board of Social Worker Licensure</li> </ul>	Request that an official transcript be mailed from the educational institution at which you completed your master's degree in social work directly to the Board of Social Worker Licensure.			
<ul> <li>Passport-style photograph</li> <li>Notarized Declaration of Citizenship form found at: <u>http://tn.gov/assets/entities/health/attach</u> <u>ments/PH-4183.pdf</u></li> <li>A copy of the original State's law and rules, if available</li> <li>Photocopy of the original license from the original state of licensure with applicants current license number, if available</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>If you are or have ever been licensed, certified, registered, or permitted by any state to practice as a social worker (or as any other health care professional), you must request a verification from each and every state. The verification must be mailed directly to the Board's Office from the other state(s).</li> <li>Verification of applicant taking and passing the ASWB examination</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Photocopy of the applicants current renewal certificate with the license number and expiration date</li> <li>Completed Mandatory Practitioner Profile Questionnaire</li> <li><u>http://tn.gov/assets/entities/health/attachments/PH-3585.pdf</u> (mail with the application)</li> </ul>	Criminal Background Check For instructions go to: <u>http://www.tn.gov/health/topic/CBC-check</u>			

WHEN DEEMED ELIGIBLE, LICENSE WILL BE MAILED WITHIN TWO (2) WEEKS FOLLOWING THE NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING.

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#### **COMPETENCY INFORMATION**

**PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.** If you answer "yes" to any of the questions in this part, you must supplement your affirmative response with a thorough explanation on a separate page. IN SUPPORT OF YOUR EXPLANATION, THE FINAL DOCUMENTS OR ORDERS FROM THE ISSUING STATES, COURTS, AND/OR AGENCIES MUST BE SUBMITTED ALONG WITH THIS APPLICATION. Additional information may be requested and/or required before a licensure decision may be made.

For the purposes of these questions, the following phrases or words have the following meanings:

1. "Ability to practice your profession" is to be construed to include all of the following:

a. The cognitive capacity to make appropriate clinical diagnoses, exercise reasoned medical judgments, to learn, and keep abreast of medical developments;

b. The ability to communicate those judgments and medical information to patients and other health care providers, with or without the use of aids or devices, such as voice amplifiers; and

c. The physical capability to perform professional tasks and procedures required of your profession, with or without the use of aids or devices, such as corrective lenses or hearing aids.

2. "Medical Condition" includes physiological, mental or psychological conditions including, but not limited to: orthopedic, visual, speech and/or hearing impairments, emotional or mental illness, specific learning disabilities, drug addiction, and alcoholism.

3. "Minor Traffic Offense" generally means moving and non-moving violations punishable by fines only and does not include offenses such as driving under the influence or while intoxicated or reckless driving.

4. "**Chemical substances**" is to be construed to include alcohol, drugs, or medications, including those taken pursuant to a valid prescription for legitimate medical purposes and in accordance with the prescriber's direction, as well as those used illegally.

5. "Currently" does not mean on the day of or even in the weeks or months preceding the completion of this application. Rather it means recently enough so that the use of drugs or alcohol may have an ongoing impact on one's functioning as a licensee or within the past two (2) years.

6. "**Illegal use of illicit or controlled substances**" means the use of substances obtained illegally (e.g., heroin or cocaine) as well as the use of controlled substances that are not obtained pursuant to a valid prescription or not taken in accordance with the directions of a licensed health care practitioner.

-	TIONS: Please respond to ALL questions. If you answer "YES" to any question, attach a written explanation.	YES	NO
1.			
1.	Do you currently have any physical or psychological limitations or impairments caused by an existing medical condition which are reduced or ameliorated by ongoing treatment or monitoring, or the field of practice, the setting or the manner in		
	which you have chosen to practice?		
2.	Do you currently use any chemical substances which in any way impair or limit your ability to practice your profession with reasonable skill and safety?		

If so, please list

(If you receive such ongoing treatment or participate in such a monitoring program, the Board will make an individual assessment of the nature, the severity, and the duration of the risks associated with an ongoing medical condition so as to be determine whether an unrestricted license should be issued, whether conditions should be imposed, or whether you are not eligible for licensure.)

YES

NO

- 3. At any time within the past two years, have you engaged in the illegal use of illicit or controlled substances?
- 4. Are you currently participating in a supervised rehabilitation program or professional assistance program that monitors you to assure that you do not consume alcohol and/or do not engage in the illegal use of illicit or controlled substances?
- 5. Have you ever been diagnosed as having or have you ever been treated for pedophilia, exhibitionism, voyeurism or other diagnosis of a predatory nature?
- 6. Have you ever held or applied for a license, privilege, registration or certificate to practice social work in any state, country, or province, that has been or was ever denied, reprimanded, suspended, restricted, revoked, otherwise disciplined, curtailed, or voluntarily surrendered under threat of investigation or disciplinary action?
- 7. Have you ever held or applied for a license, privilege, registration or certificate to practice social work in any state, country, or province, that has been or was ever denied, reprimanded, suspended, restricted, revoked, otherwise disciplined, curtailed, or voluntarily surrendered under threat of investigation or disciplinary action?
- 8. Have you ever applied for or held a state or federal controlled substance certificate that was ever denied, revoked, suspended, restricted, voluntarily surrendered or otherwise disciplined or surrendered under threat of restriction or disciplinary action?
- 9. Have you ever been convicted (including a nolo contendere plea or guilty plea) of a felony or misdemeanor (other than a minor traffic offense) whether or not sentence was imposed or suspended?
- 10. Have you ever been rejected or censured by a professional association or society?
- 11. In relation to the performance of your professional services in any profession:
  - a. Have you ever had a final judgment rendered against you;
  - b. Have you ever entered into any settlement of any legal action; or
  - c. Are there any legal actions pending against you or to which you are a party?
- 12. Have you ever held a license, registration, privilege or certificate in any profession that has ever been reprimanded, suspended, restricted, revoked, otherwise disciplined, curtailed, or voluntarily surrendered under threat of investigation or disciplinary action in any jurisdiction?
- 13. My name has been placed on the registry of persons who have abused, neglected or misappropriated the property of vulnerable individuals (Tennessee abuse registry or an abuse registry in another state)

#### AFFIDAVIT AND RELEASE

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ being duly sworn and identified as the person referred to in this application, attest to the truth of each statement made in said application. I further swear that I have read and understand the law and the Rules and Regulations regarding the practice of my profession, which are posted on the Board's Internet site and/or were provided to me by the Board office, and agree to abide by them in the practice as a social worker in the State of Tennessee.

#### **I HEREBY:**

**SIGNIFY** my willingness to appear to answer such questions as the Board may find necessary, which may include a full Board interview.

**RELEASE** to the Board, its staff, and their representatives, any and all documentation necessary now and in the future to establish my physical and mental capabilities to safely practice as a social worker.

**AUTHORIZE** the Board, its staff, and their representatives to consult with my prior and current associates and others who may have information bearing on my professional competence, character, health status, ethical qualifications, ability to work cooperatively with others, and other qualifications.

**RELEASE** from liability the Board, its staff, and all their representatives and any and all organizations which provide information for their acts performed and statements made in good faith and without malice concerning my competence, ethics, character, and/or other qualifications, for certification.

**ACKNOWLEDGE** that I, as an applicant for licensure, have the burden of producing adequate information for a proper evaluation of my professional, ethical, and other qualifications, and for resolving any doubts about such qualifications.

**AUTHORIZE** release, use and disclosure of otherwise HIPAA protected health information to the limited extent necessary for my application to receive full consideration up to and including discussion in a public forum should that become necessary.

This certifies that the information submitted by me in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SIGNATURE

DATE

#### PROFESSIONAL REFERENCE ASSESSMENT

(Verification of Supervision)

	License Number (LN	
THIS SECTION TO BE FILLED OUT BY APPLICANT:	Effective Date	/ /
	Expiration Date	/ /
Applicant's Name		
I have applied to the Tennessee Board of Social Worker Licen assessment of my characteristics will enable the board to evaluate v		ed practice social worker. Your
(Signature)	(Date)	
REMAINDER OF THIS FORM TO BE FILLED OUT BY SUPER	RVISOR .	
1. Supervisor's Name:		
Profession: Ed	lucational Degree(s):	
Business address (street/city/state/zip):		
Position Title: Telephone:	()	
2. Supervisor's License No.: License No.:	censing State:	
Date Licensed:		
Non-Clinical experience: Yes No Number of y	years:	
3. Recordkeeping: Dates of Supervision: from /	/ to/	/
Total number of months of supervision		
Total weekly non-clinical contact hours		
Total weekly group supervisee-supervisor hours		
<ol> <li>Total non-clinical hours during supervision period</li> <li>Total supervisor-supervisee hours during supervision period</li> </ol>		
3. Group supervisee-supervisor hours during supervision period	od	
(Add #2 and #3) Total number hours	s of supervision	

4. Nature of setting in which supervised practice took place:

5. Please rate the applicant on the following characteristics. Place a check mark in every category!

		Above		Below	Can Not
Characteristics	Outstanding	Average	Average	Average	Evaluate
Administrative Skills					
Organization, Communication, Presentation, Policy.					
Appropriate referral making					
Use of Policy					
Policy Writing					
Appropriate referral making					
Personal integrity					
Consulting and counseling skills					
Insight into client's systems					
Ability to relate to co-workers as team members					
Ability to be objective on the job					
Ethical conduct					
Concern for welfare of clients systems					
Sense of responsibility					
Recognition of own limits					
Supervisory abilities					
Ability to keep material confidential					
Ability to lead a team.					

6. Explain any rating of below average, poor, or can not evaluate (use additional paper if necessary).

#### I certify that the information contained herein is an accurate account of my supervision of

(Applicant Signature)

(Supervisor's Signature)

(Date)

(Print Name of supervisor)

Return completed form to: Board of Social Worker Licensure 665 Mainstream Drive Nashville, TN 37243

This Form May Be Duplicated.

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# LAPSW Supervision Log

Subject of Supervision Sessions: Policy (Use of / Writing) /Administrative skills / Organization skills /Appropriate referral making /Insight into client's systems / Team building / team leading / Confidentiality / Ethics / Boundaries

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