

BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKER LICENSURE
POLICY STATEMENT
REGARDING NON-CLINICAL/CLINICAL HOURS FOR APPLICANTS:

The Board interprets Rule 1365-01-.08(3)(a) and (b) regarding the requirements that L.C.S.W. applicants complete “three thousand (3,000) clinical contact hours over not less than a two (2) year period and not more than a eight (8) year period,” and L.A.P.S.W. applicants complete “three thousand (3,000) non-clinical social work practice hours over not less than a two (2) year period and not more than a eight (8) year period,” as follows:

The two (2) and eight (8) year periods are measured from the date of application is received.

NOTICE: The completion of clinical contact hours does not allow the L.C.S.W. applicant to begin unsupervised practice. It is advisable to continue clinical supervision to ensure the requisite number of clinical hours has been completed.

The completion of non-clinical social work practice hours does not allow the L.A.P.S.W. applicant to begin unsupervised practice. It is advisable to continue non-clinical social work practice hours to ensure the requisite number of clinical hours have been completed.

REMINDER: Unsupervised practice prior to L.C.S.W./L.A.P.S.W. licensure is a violation of the scope of practice and may result in discipline, up to revocation or denial of a license.

This Policy Statement was adopted by the Board of Social Worker Licensure on the 1st day of February, 2018. Policy amended February 2020.