

Part 1 General Provisions

58-40-101 Title.

This chapter is known as the "Recreational Therapy Practice Act."

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58-40-102 Definitions.

In addition to the definitions in Section 58-1-102, as used in this chapter:

- (1) "Approved" means approval by the division in collaboration with the board when used to refer to a licensing requirement.
- (2)
 - (a) "Assessment" means:
 - (i) a systematic collection of data to identify the strengths and limitations of a person's physical, cognitive, social, behavioral, emotional, spiritual, and leisure capabilities; and
 - (ii) interpreting and analyzing collected data to identify and determine a course of action for recreational therapy services for a patient.
 - (b) "Assessment" includes:
 - (i) a record review;
 - (ii) the implementation of standardized and non-standardized instruments, tests, and measurements; and
 - (iii) the skilled observation and interview of a person.
- (3) "Board" means the Board of Recreational Therapy created in Section 58-40-201.
- (4) "Practice of recreational therapy" means to engage in the paid performance of providing recreational therapy services according to the therapeutic recreation process to a person with an emotional, social, intellectual, or physical pathology.
- (5) "Recreational therapy" or "therapeutic recreation" means a person-centered process that uses recreation and psychoeducational activities as intervention tools to improve the physical, cognitive, social, behavioral, emotional, or spiritual well-being of a person with an illness or a disability.
- (6)
 - (a) "Recreational therapy services" means using recreation and psychoeducational activities as intervention tools to improve or maintain the physical, cognitive, social, behavioral, emotional, or spiritual well-being of a person with an illness or a disability.
 - (b) "Recreational therapy services" include:
 - (i) assessing a person's need for recreational therapy treatment or intervention;
 - (ii) developing an individualized treatment or intervention plan that identifies goals, objectives, and treatment strategies for a person;
 - (iii) implementing the individualized treatment or intervention plan;
 - (iv) documenting a person's response to the individualized treatment or intervention plan, including documenting the overall outcome of the person's treatment;
 - (v) regularly evaluating a person's response to the individualized treatment or intervention plan and modifying the plan when appropriate;
 - (vi) in collaboration with a person, the person's family, or other team members, developing a discharge or transition plan for the person;

- (vii) serving as a resource to help a person find recreation opportunities that will promote the person's physical, cognitive, social, behavioral, emotional, or spiritual health and well-being; and
 - (viii) organizing and managing recreational services according to a written plan of operation as defined by rule of the division.
- (7) "Treatment or intervention plan" means a written record containing the information required by Section 58-40-602, which is composed for each patient by a person licensed under this chapter as a master therapeutic recreation specialist or a therapeutic recreation specialist.
- (8) "Unlawful conduct" is as defined in Sections 58-1-501 and 58-40-501.
- (9) "Unprofessional conduct" is as defined in Sections 58-1-501 and 58-40-502.

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58-40-103 Rulemaking.

When exercising rulemaking authority under this chapter, the division shall comply with the requirements of Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act.

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