

58-60-202 Definitions.

In addition to the definitions in Sections 58-1-102 and 58-60-102, as used in this part:

- (1) "Board" means the Social Worker Licensing Board created in Section 58-60-203.
- (2)
 - (a) "Practice as a social service worker" means performance of general entry level services under general supervision of a mental health therapist through the application of social work theory, methods, and ethics in order to enhance the social or psychosocial functioning of an individual, a couple, a family, a group, or a community, including:
 - (i) conducting:
 - (A) a non-clinical psychosocial assessment; or
 - (B) a home study;
 - (ii) collaborative planning and goal setting;
 - (iii) ongoing case management;
 - (iv) progress monitoring;
 - (v) supportive counseling;
 - (vi) information gathering;
 - (vii) making referrals; and
 - (viii) engaging in advocacy.
 - (b) "Practice as a social service worker" does not include:
 - (i) diagnosing or treating mental illness; or
 - (ii) providing psychotherapeutic services to an individual, couple, family, group, or community.
- (3) "Practice of clinical social work" includes:
 - (a) the practice of mental health therapy by observation, description, evaluation, interpretation, intervention, and treatment to effect modification of behavior by the application of generally recognized professional social work principles, methods, and procedures for the purpose of preventing, treating, or eliminating mental or emotional illness or dysfunction, the symptoms of any of these, or maladaptive behavior;
 - (b) the application of generally recognized psychotherapeutic and social work principles and practices requiring the education, training, and clinical experience of a clinical social worker; and
 - (c) supervision of the practice of a certified social worker or social service worker as the supervision is required under this chapter and as further defined by division rule.
- (4) "Practice of certified social work" includes:
 - (a) the supervised practice of mental health therapy by a clinical social worker by observation, description, evaluation, interpretation, intervention, and treatment to effect modification of behavior by the application of generally recognized professional social work principles, methods, and procedures for the purpose of preventing, treating, or eliminating mental or emotional illness or dysfunctions, the symptoms of any of these, or maladaptive behavior;
 - (b) the supervised or independent and unsupervised application of generally recognized professional social work principles and practices requiring the education, training, and experience of a certified social worker; and
 - (c) supervision of the practice of a social service worker as the supervision is required under this chapter and as further defined by division rule.
- (5) "Program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education" means a program that:
 - (a) was accredited by the Council on Social Work Education on the day on which the applicant for licensure satisfactorily completed the program; or
 - (b) was in candidacy for accreditation by the Council on Social Work Education on the day on which the applicant for licensure satisfactorily completed the program.

(6) "Supervision of a social service worker" means supervision conducted by an individual licensed as a mental health therapist under this title in accordance with division rules made in collaboration with the board.

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