

88 (j) an individual who is licensed, in good standing, to practice mental health therapy or
 89 substance use disorder counseling in a state or territory of the United States outside of Utah
 90 may provide [~~short term transitional~~] mental health therapy remotely or [~~short term~~
 91 ~~transitional~~] substance use disorder counseling remotely to a client in Utah [~~only~~] if:

92 (i) the individual is present in the state or territory where the individual is licensed to
 93 practice mental health therapy or substance use disorder counseling; and

94 [~~(ii) the client relocates to Utah;~~]

95 [~~(iii) the client is a client of the individual immediately before the client relocates to~~
 96 ~~Utah;~~]

97 [~~(iv) the individual provides the short term transitional mental health therapy or short~~
 98 ~~term transitional substance use disorder counseling remotely to the client only during the 45~~
 99 ~~day period beginning on the day on which the client relocates to Utah;~~]

100 [~~(v) within 10 days after the day on which the client relocates to Utah, the individual~~
 101 ~~provides written notice to the division of the individual's intent to provide short term~~
 102 ~~transitional mental health therapy or short term transitional substance use disorder counseling~~
 103 ~~remotely to the client; and]~~

104 [~~(vi)~~] (ii) the individual does not engage in unlawful conduct or unprofessional
 105 conduct.

106 (3) (a) As used in this Subsection (3):

107 (i) "Prescribe" means the same as that term is defined in Section 58-17b-102.

108 (ii) "Prescription drug" means the same as that term is defined in Section 58-17b-102.

109 (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (2)(j), an individual who provides mental health
 110 therapy remotely or substance use disorder counseling remotely to a client in Utah:

111 (i) may not prescribe a prescription drug for a client in Utah unless the individual is
 112 licensed in Utah to prescribe the prescription drug;

113 (ii) shall, before providing mental health therapy remotely or substance use disorder
 114 counseling remotely to a client in Utah, be aware of:

115 (A) how to access emergency mental health services and resources in Utah; and

116 (B) all applicable laws and rules regarding the required or permitted reporting or
 117 disclosing of confidential client communications;

118 (iii) shall, within ~~H~~→ [10 days] one day ←~~H~~ after the day on which the individual first
 118a provides mental

119 health therapy remotely or substance use disorder counseling remotely to a client in Utah,
 120 submit to the division a signed notice, in the form required by the division, notifying the
 121 division that the individual is providing therapy or counseling under the exemption in
 122 Subsection (2)(j); and

123 (iv) shall obtain a license by endorsement under Section 58-60-115;

124 (A) within ~~12~~ 9 ~~12~~ months after the day on which the individual first provides
 124a mental health

125 therapy remotely or substance use disorder counseling remotely to a client in Utah; or

126 (B) if at any time the individual provides mental health therapy remotely or substance
 127 use disorder counseling remotely to more than one client in Utah.

128 (4) The division shall report to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee at
 129 or before the committee's October 2026 meeting regarding the exemption described in
 130 Subsection (2)(j), including information about any complaints the division has received
 131 concerning individuals who have provided therapy or counseling under that exemption.

132 Section 2. Section **58-60-205** is amended to read:

133 **58-60-205. Qualifications for licensure or certification as a clinical social worker,**
 134 **certified social worker, and social service worker.**

135 (1) An applicant for licensure as a clinical social worker shall:

136 (a) submit an application on a form provided by the division;

137 (b) pay a fee determined by the department under Section 63J-1-504;

138 (c) produce certified transcripts from an accredited institution of higher education
 139 recognized by the division in collaboration with the board verifying satisfactory completion of
 140 an education and an earned degree as follows:

141 (i) a master's degree in a social work program accredited by the Council on Social
 142 Work Education or by the Canadian Association of Schools of Social Work; or

143 (ii) a doctoral degree that contains a clinical social work concentration and practicum
 144 approved by the division, by rule, in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah
 145 Administrative Rulemaking Act, that is consistent with Section 58-1-203;

146 (d) have completed a minimum of 3,000 hours of clinical social work training as
 147 defined by division rule under Section 58-1-203:

148 [~~(i) in not less than two years;~~]

149 [~~(ii)~~ (i) under the supervision of a supervisor approved by the division in collaboration