

Subject Social work practice update

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## Summary

Section	Description
1	<b>Baccalaureate degree.</b> Amends § 148E.010 by adding subd. 3a. Adds definition of “baccalaureate degree.”
2	<b>Clock hour.</b> Amends § 148E.010 by adding subd. 7b. Adds definition of “clock hour.”
3	<b>Continuing education.</b> Amends § 148E.010 by adding subd. 7c. Adds definition of “continuing education.”
4	<b>Continuing education independent learning.</b> Amends § 148E.010 by adding subd. 7d. Adds definition of “continuing education independent learning.”
5	<b>Continuing education social work ethics.</b> Amends § 148E.010 by adding subd. 7e. Adds definition of “continuing education social work ethics.”
6	<b>Intern.</b> Amends § 148E.010, subd. 9. Adds clarifying language to definition of “intern.”
7	<b>Practice of social work.</b> Amends § 148E.010, subd. 11. Adds clarifying language and reference to definition of “practice of social work.”
8	<b>Student.</b> Amends § 148E.010, subd. 16. Clarifies definition of “student.”
9	<b>Supervisee.</b> Amends § 148E.010, subd. 17. Clarifies definition of “supervisee.”

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10	<b>Supervision.</b> Amends § 148E.010, subd. 18. Clarifies definition of “supervision.”
11	<b>Supervisor.</b> Amends § 148E.010, subd. 19. Clarifies definition of “supervisor” by adding a reference.
12	<b>Underrepresented community.</b> Amends § 148E.010 by adding subd. 20. Adds definition of “underrepresented community.”
13	<b>Scope.</b> Amends § 148E.015. Clarifies section stating persons to whom chapter 148E applies.
14	<b>Qualifications of board members.</b> Amends § 148E.025, subd. 2. Modifies the required qualifications for the ten social worker board members.
15	<b>License required.</b> Amends § 148E.055, subd. 1. Adds clarifying reference; removes paragraphs relating to individuals who teach professional social work students and individuals newly employed by previously exempt agencies.
16	<b>Qualifications for licensure by examination as a licensed social worker (LSW).</b> Amends § 148E.055, subd. 2. Makes clarifying changes; adds cross-reference for criminal background checks; removes paragraphs relating to applications for licensure, supervised practice requirements, board authority to investigate application information, and educational and examination requirements.
17	<b>Qualifications for licensure by endorsement as a licensed social worker (LSW).</b> Amends § 148E.055 by adding subd. 2a. Clarifies requirements for applicants for licensure by endorsement, who have active credentials in other jurisdictions.
18	<b>Qualifications for licensure by examination as a licensed graduate social worker.</b> Amends § 148E.055, subd. 3. Makes clarifying changes; specifies that the required examination must be taken no more than six months before an applicant completes a degree; adds cross-reference for criminal background checks. Removes paragraphs relating to applications, supervised practice requirements, and licensure and examination requirements.

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19	<p><b>Qualifications for licensure by endorsement as a licensed graduate social worker (LGSW).</b></p> <p>Amends § 148E.055 by adding subd. 3a. Clarifies requirements for applicants for licensure by endorsement as a licensed graduate social worker, with a credential from another jurisdiction.</p>
20	<p><b>Qualifications for licensure by examination as a licensed independent social worker (LISW).</b></p> <p>Amends § 148E.055, subd. 4. Makes clarifying changes; adds cross-reference for criminal background checks. Removes paragraphs relating to applications, supervised practice requirements, and licensure and examination requirements.</p>
21	<p><b>Qualifications for licensure by endorsement as a licensed independent social worker (LISW).</b></p> <p>Amends § 148E.055 by adding subd. 4a. Clarifies requirements for applicants for licensure by endorsement as a licensed independent social worker, with a credential from another jurisdiction.</p>
22	<p><b>Qualifications for licensure by examination as a licensed independent clinical social worker (LICSW).</b></p> <p>Amends § 148E.055, subd. 5. Makes clarifying changes; adds cross-reference for criminal background checks; requires certification and verification of clinical clock hours; increases continuing education hours from 90 to 120. Removes paragraphs relating to applications, supervised practice requirements, and licensure and examination requirements.</p>
23	<p><b>Qualifications for licensure by endorsement as a licensed independent clinical social worker (LICSW).</b></p> <p>Amends § 148E.055 by adding subd. 5a. Clarifies requirements for applicants for licensure by endorsement as a licensed independent clinical social worker, with a credential from another jurisdiction.</p>
24	<p><b>Degrees from outside United States or Canada.</b></p> <p>Amends § 148E.055, subd. 6. Removes paragraph reference.</p>
25	<p><b>Void application.</b></p> <p>Amends § 148E.055 by adding subd. 8a. Specifies what constitutes a void application, to be returned to the applicant. Clarified and moved from previous subdivisions.</p>

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26	<b>Investigation.</b> Amends § 148E.055 by adding subd. 8b. Specifies that an applicant authorizes the board to investigate and request additional information to verify license qualification. Clarified and moved from previous subdivisions.
27	<b>Application time limit.</b> Amends § 148E.055 by adding subd. 8c. Requires all requirements to be met within one year of the date the board receives an application for licensure. Clarified and moved from previous subdivisions.
28	<b>Effective date.</b> Amends § 148E.055, subd. 9. Makes clarifying changes.
29	<b>Expiration date.</b> Amends § 148E.055, subd. 10. Makes clarifying change.
30	<b>Change in license.</b> Amends § 148E.055, subd. 11. Makes clarifying changes.
31	<b>Students or persons not currently licensed in other jurisdiction.</b> Amends § 148E.060, subd. 1. Makes clarifying changes for temporary license issuance to students or otherwise unlicensed persons meeting certain requirements. Specifies effective dates for temporary licenses, and restrictions on title usage and practice.
32	<b>Persons currently licensed in another jurisdiction.</b> Amends § 148E.060, subd. 2. Makes clarifying changes for temporary license issuance for persons credentialed to practice in another jurisdiction meeting certain requirements. Specifies effective dates for temporary licenses, and restrictions on title usage and practice.
33	<b>Applicants graduating from programs in candidacy status.</b> Amends § 148E.060, subd. 2a. Makes clarifying changes for temporary license issuance for applicants who are students or graduates in candidacy status. Specifies effective dates for temporary licenses, and restrictions on title usage and practice.
34	<b>License renewal notices.</b> Amends § 148E.070, subd. 2. Clarifies license renewal notice provision to allow electronic notice.

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35	<b>Submitting license renewal applications.</b> Amends § 148E.070, subd. 3. Makes clarifying changes, updates references.
36	<b>Expired license.</b> Amends § 148E.070, subd. 5. Makes clarifying changes.
37	<b>Temporary leave license status.</b> Proposes coding for § 148E.0751. Creates new temporary leave license status, for persons not engaged in the practice of social work, for up to four consecutive years. Provides for return to active status, specifies prohibited practices and title usage, and allows the board to resolve pending complaints against a licensee before approving an application for temporary leave license status.
38	<b>Emeritus inactive license status.</b> Proposes coding for § 148E.0752. Creates new emeritus inactive license status, for persons retired from the practice of social work. Provides for return to active status within four years, specifies prohibited practices and title usage, and allows the board to resolve pending complaints against a licensee before approving an application for emeritus inactive license status.
39	<b>Emeritus active license status.</b> Proposes coding for § 148E.0753. Creates new emeritus active license status, for persons retired from the practice of social work, but who engage in permitted limited practice, outlined in subdivision 2. Provides for renewal and return to active license status, specifies title usage, and allows the board to resolve pending complaints against a licensee before approving an application for emeritus active license status.
40	<b>Reactivations.</b> Amends § 148E.080. Removes subdivision relating to mailing notices to licensees on temporary leave; adds subdivision providing for reactivation from temporary leave license status. Clarifies provisions for reactivation from emeritus inactive license status, restoration of an expired license, continuing education requirements upon reactivation, restoration of a voluntarily terminated license, and reactivation from emeritus active status.
41	<b>Voluntary termination license status.</b> Amends § 148E.085. Makes clarifying changes and specifies application requirements for voluntary termination of a license. Provides for return to active license status, specifies prohibited title usage, and allows the board to resolve pending complaints against a licensee before approving a request for voluntary termination.

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42	<b>License wall certificate.</b> Amends § 148E.095, subd. 1. Clarifies process for request for duplicate license wall certificate.
43	<b>Total clock hours required.</b> Amends § 148E.130, subd. 1. Clarifies continuing education clock hours requirements, and specifies subjects that must be completed.
44	<b>Acceptable content.</b> Amends § 148E.130 by adding subd. 8. Specifies basic requirements for continuing education content.
45	<b>Acceptable continuing education activities.</b> Amends § 148E.130 by adding subd. 9. Lists activities that are considered for continuing education, and providers through which activities may be completed.
46	<b>Extension.</b> Amends § 148E.130 by adding subd. 10. Allows the board to grant a one-time extension to complete continuing education hours at the time of licensure renewal.
47	<b>Records retention; licensees.</b> Amends § 148E.130 by adding subd. 11. Requires licensees to maintain documentation of continuing education clock hours for one year following the licensee's license expiration date. Specifies information that must be documented.
48	<b>Audits.</b> Amends § 148E.130 by adding subd. 12. Allows the board to audit licensees at the time of renewal or reactivation to determine compliance with continuing education requirements.
49	<b>Continuing education providers.</b> Amends § 148E.145. Specifies requirements for board approval of continuing education providers; makes clarifying changes; requires providers to maintain specified information for three years after each program activity; allows the board to audit providers to determine compliance; allows the board to revoke approval.
50	<b>Repealer.</b> Repeals §§ 148E.045; 148E.055, subdivisions 7 and 8; 148E.060, subdivisions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 13; 148E.075, subdivisions 1, 1a, 1b, 2, 3, and 8; 148E.095, subdivision 2; 148E.130, subdivisions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7; 148E.135; 148E.140; 148E.150; 148E.155; 148E.160; 148E.165; and 148E.170.



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