

SECTION 2

XXII. REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION AS A PROVISIONAL/SUPERVISED PSYCHOSEXUAL EVALUATOR

Certification as a Provisional/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator is limited to a 3-year period, at which time the person must have achieved the minimum requirements for certification level upgrade to Associate/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator.

To be eligible for SOMB certification as a Provisional/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator, a person must:

A. Formal Education and Licensure Requirements.

- a. Possess or be currently enrolled in a graduate program of study toward the attainment of an advanced/graduate degree (e.g., master's, doctoral) from an accredited university or college and program of study, preferably with an emphasis on the application of forensic clinical practice; and
- b. Possess or be pursuing licensure in an applied clinical practice field such as psychiatry, psychology, counseling, or social work.

B. Clinical Experience Requirements.

- a. Practice only under the supervision of a Senior/Approved Psychosexual Evaluator and in accordance with a formal clinical supervision agreement as outlined in this section.
- b. For *renewal* certification as a Provisional/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator, a person must accumulate a minimum of 147 face-to-face clinical practice hours under the supervision of a Senior/Approved Psychosexual Evaluator during the period of certification preceding the annual renewal application.
 - i. The SOMB may consider modifications to the renewal clinical practice requirements on a case by case basis as circumstances warrant.
- c. Clinical supervision is required during any period of time in which a Provisional/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator is providing direct clinical services to sex offenders as outlined in subsection IX.F. of this section.
- d. To maximally support any application for SOMB certification as a Provisional/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator, supervisees are required to maintain a cumulative log that includes at minimum:
 - i. The dates of face-to-face clinical supervision;
 - ii. Number of hours and nature of supervised clinical services provided, and the dates of service;
 - iii. Number of hours of evaluation practice and dates of service; and
 - iv. Number, nature and completion dates of supervised evaluations conducted, all of which can be verified by the supervisor.
- e. The cumulative log may be required by the SOMB as a condition of approval of a formal supervision plan or application for certification; such a log may be subject to audit or requested by the SOMB in support of decision-making regarding certification or quality assurances processes.

C. Formal Clinical Supervision Agreement.

- a. A person seeking certification or currently certified as a Provisional/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator shall only assist with the conduct of adult psychosexual evaluations and provide clinical services under the clinical practice supervision of a Senior/Approved Psychosexual Evaluator and in accordance with the terms of a formal clinical supervision agreement to be approved in advance by the SOMB.
- b. The formal clinical supervision agreement shall minimally address the following criteria:
 - i. The name and contact information of the supervisee and supervisor(s);
 - ii. Population to be served/evaluated (adults);
 - iii. Location, setting, nature of practice in which clinical services will be conducted;
 - iv. Effective period of clinical supervision;
 - v. Number of hours of anticipated direct clinical supervision; and
 - vi. Any other methods of clinical supervision that are anticipated to be employed.
- c. The formal clinical supervision agreement must accompany any initial or renewal application for a Provisional/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator or application for change of certification category to the level of Associate/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator.
- d. Any change from the previously approved supervision will require a new supervision agreement, which must be forwarded to the SOMB for approval.

D. Mentoring by an Associate/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator.

- a. A person certified as a Provisional/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator may work under the mentoring of an Associate/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator to assist with interviews and report preparation;
- b. All clinical services provided under a mentoring arrangement shall be conducted under the oversight/supervision of a Senior/Approved Psychosexual Evaluator. Final adult psychosexual evaluation reports must be reviewed and signed by the Senior/Approved Psychosexual Evaluator.

XIII. CONTINUING EDUCATION/ONGOING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS

- A. To maintain certification as a Senior/Approved Psychosexual Evaluator or an Associate/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator, a person must receive a minimum of 40 verifiable hours of continuing education in the form of workshops, conferences, symposia, or on-line training over the course of the 2-year period prior to each renewal period.
 - a. Twenty (20) hours of continuing education shall be consistent with maintaining licensure in their individual discipline of practice;
 - b. Twenty (20) hours of continuing education shall address a combination of specialized areas such as:
 - i. Contemporary research regarding the etiology of sexually abusive behaviors;
 - ii. Research-identified risk factors for the development and continuation of sexually abusive/offending behavior for adults;
 - iii. Contemporary research and practice in the areas of assessment, treatment, and management of adult sex offenders;
 - iv. Research-supported, sex offender-specific risk assessment tools for adults; and

v. Physiological assessment of deviant sexual arousal and/or interests.

vi. Persons who are dually certified to provide services to adult and juvenile clients may have a combination of adult and juvenile-centered specialized continuing education.

c. No more than 16 hours of training specific to the treatment of victims of sexual abuse can be used to count toward the minimum number of specialized training hours.

d. Any on-line education must be from a recognized accredited educational institution, and no more than 10 hours of continuing education credits obtained from such on-line educational resources shall count toward the biennial 40 hour continuing education requirement.

e. Teaching relevant coursework at an accredited university or college or providing training at a conference or workshop training (to be reviewed and approved by the SOMB) can substitute for up to one-half of the continuing education hours for an applicant.

B. To maintain certification as a Provisional/Supervised Psychosexual Evaluator, a person must receive a minimum of 20 verifiable hours of specialized continuing education in the form of workshops, conferences, symposia, or on-line training annually. This specialized continuing education must meet the standards outlined in this section.