



Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Board of Social Work, Department of Health Professions
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	18VAC140-20-10 et seq.
Regulation title	Regulations Governing the Practice of Social Work
Action title	Clinical course of study requirement for licensure
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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

Chapter 533 of the 2013 Acts of the Assembly (SB1011) added § 54.1-3707.1 to specify a definition for a clinical course of study and the evidence required to document completion of an educational program to qualify an applicant for licensure as a clinical social worker. Accordingly, the definition of “clinical course of study” and educational requirements for a licensed clinical social worker in regulation are amended for conformity with the amended Code of Virginia.

Statement of final agency action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.

On July 19, 2013, the Board of Social Work amended section 10, 40 and 49 of 18VAC140-20-10 et seq., Regulations Governing the Practice of Social Work.

Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.

There is no impact on the institution of the family and family stability.