

## Chapter SFC 13

### PRACTICE OF PSYCHOTHERAPY BY PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

SFC 13.01 Psychotherapeutic counseling.

**Note:** Chapter SFC 13 was created as an emergency rule effective April 26, 1993.

**SFC 13.01 Psychotherapeutic counseling. (1)** A certified professional counselor may engage in psychotherapy only if he or she has completed 3,000 hours of supervised clinical practice, which means a minimum of one hour per week of face-to-face supervision during the 3,000 hour period by a person qualified under par. (a), or is listed in the national registry of health care providers in clinical social work, or national association of social workers register of clinical social workers or national board for certified counselors or the national register of health services providers in psychology, or national registry of the American board of examiners in clinical social work.

(a) Supervision of the 3,000 hour period of clinical practice may be performed by any of the following:

1. A physician who has completed a residency in psychiatry, or a licensed psychologist who is listed or eligible to be listed in the national register of health services providers in psychology.

2. A professional counselor with a master's or doctoral degree from a college or university accredited by its regional accrediting association, the commission for accreditation of counseling and related educational programs, or the council on rehabilitation education, if the professional counselor performing the supervision has completed a 3,000 hour period of supervised clinical practice or is listed in the national registry of health care providers in clinical social work or national association of social workers register of clinical social workers or national board for certified counselors or the national register of health services providers in psychology, or national registry of the American board of examiners in clinical social work.

3. A social worker with a master's or doctoral degree from a graduate school of social work accredited by the council on social worker education, if the social worker performing the supervision has completed a 3,000 hour period of supervised clinical practice or is listed in the national registry of health care providers in clinical social work or national association of social workers register of clinical social workers or national board for certified counselors or the national register of health services providers in psychology, or national registry of the American board of examiners in clinical social work.

4. A registered nurse with a master's or doctoral degree in psychiatric-mental health nursing or community mental health nursing from a graduate school of nursing accredited by the national league for nursing, if the registered nurse performing the supervision has completed a 3,000 hour period of supervised clinical practice or is listed in the national registry of health care providers in clinical social work or national association of social workers register of clinical social workers or national board for certified counselors or the national register of health services providers in psychology, or national registry of the American board of examiners in clinical social work.

**(2)** A certified professional counselor may engage in supervised psychotherapeutic social work necessary to fulfill the 3,000 hour supervised practice period, but shall do so only under the authority of the person providing them supervision and may not engage in any psychotherapy without the approval of the person providing them supervision.

**Note:** A person who intends to rely upon a listing in one of the national registries or registers identified in this chapter should insure that the registry or register upon which he or she intends to rely is current before he or she engages in the practice of psychotherapy.

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