



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2003 Wisconsin Act 301 [2003 Senate Bill 401]	Qualifications for Clinical Social Worker Licenses
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2003 Wisconsin Act 301 makes various changes to the requirements for a clinical social worker license granted by the social worker section of the Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling and Social Work Examining Board.

Under current law, an applicant for a clinical social worker license must have a master's or doctorate degree in social work and must have completed a clinical social worker concentration and supervised clinical field training.

The Act provides that the concentration and field training may have been completed as part of postgraduate studies or as part of a master's or doctorate degree program. In addition, the concentration and field training must be approved by the social worker section of the Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling and Social Work Examining Board. The Act also permits the board, with the advice of the social worker section, to promulgate rules allowing an applicant for a clinical social worker's license to substitute supervised clinical work experience for the clinical field training requirement.

Effective Date: Act 301 becomes effective on May 5, 2004 and first applies to applications for clinical social worker licenses that are received on that date.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents.