

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

1. Type of Estimate and Analysis

Original Updated Corrected

2. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number

SPS 160-168

3. Subject

Substance Abuse Counselors, Clinical Supervisors and Prevention Specialists

4. Fund Sources Affected

GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEG-S

5. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected

6. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule

No Fiscal Effect Increase Existing Revenues Increase Costs
 Indeterminate Decrease Existing Revenues Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget
 Decrease Cost

7. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply)

State's Economy Specific Businesses/Sectors
 Local Government Units Public Utility Rate Payers
 Small Businesses **(if checked, complete Attachment A)**

8. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Be Greater Than \$20 million?

Yes No

9. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule

Chapters SPS 160-168 governing substance abuse counselors, clinical supervisors and prevention specialists have not been comprehensively reviewed or updated since the professions were transferred to the Department of Safety and Professional Services and the original rules drafted in 2007. The objective of the proposed rule is to update the rule to ensure the rule conforms to statutes, remove obsolete provisions, correct cross-references, allow for current technologies, update terminology and reflects current practices in the profession.

10. Summary of the businesses, business sectors, associations representing business, local governmental units, and individuals that may be affected by the proposed rule that were contacted for comments.

This rule was posted for economic comments. One comment was received from an individual regarding the cost of the exam. The comment referenced the exam organization's certification fee (which is not required by this rule) instead of the licensing exam fee which is \$150 and is comparable to the current exam fee.

11. Identify the local governmental units that participated in the development of this EIA.

None

12. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

This rule will not have an economic or fiscal impact.

13. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule

The benefit to updating this rule is ensuring adequate training is balanced with appropriate workforce access by revising requirements.

14. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule

The long range implication is to have clear and concise rules which reflect current practice by alleviating burdensome requirements and allowing for current technologies.

15. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government

None

16. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)

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Illinois: Illinois does not credential substance abuse counselors, clinical supervisors or prevention specialists. There is a private, non-profit organization (Illinois Certification Board, Inc) that provides certifications for these professions.

Iowa: Iowa does not credential substance abuse counselors, clinical supervisors or prevention specialists. There is a private, non-profit organization (Iowa Board of Certification) that provides certifications for these professions.

Michigan: Michigan does not credential substance abuse counselors, clinical supervisors or prevention specialists. There is a private, non-profit organization (Michigan Certification Board for Addiction Professionals) that provides certifications for these professions.

Minnesota: Licensed alcohol and drug counselor requirements are: a bachelor's degree from an accredited school or educational program; 18 semester credits (or 270 clock hours of academic course work; 880 hours of supervised alcohol and drug counseling practice from an accredited school or education program; and pass the IC & RC Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Counselor exam. Instead of the IC & RC exam an applicant may pass an approved written exam and either compete 2,000 hours of postdegree supervised practice or a written case presentation and oral exam. A license may be issued to a holder of a license in another state if the credentialing requirements in the other state are substantially similar. Supervised postdegree professional practice requires a supervisor who is: a licensed alcohol and drug counselor or other qualified professional as determined by the board; has 3 years of experience; and has received a minimum of 12 hours of training in clinical and ethical supervision. The supervision is at a rate of one hours of supervision per 40 hours of professional practice and at least 75% of the supervision hours must be received in person and at least 50% on an individual basis. All licenses must complete 40 hours of continuing education activities every 2 years. Continuing education activities include: conferences, workshops, panel discussions, seminars, symposia, college or university course, home study; teaching courses; and presenting continuing education. Minnesota also licenses alcohol and drug counselor technicians. Minnesota does not credential other alcohol and drug counselor levels, clinical supervisor or prevention specialist.

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ATTACHMENT A

1. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Small Businesses (Separately for each Small Business Sector, Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

2. Summary of the data sources used to measure the Rule's impact on Small Businesses

3. Did the agency consider the following methods to reduce the impact of the Rule on Small Businesses?

- Less Stringent Compliance or Reporting Requirements
 - Less Stringent Schedules or Deadlines for Compliance or Reporting
 - Consolidation or Simplification of Reporting Requirements
 - Establishment of performance standards in lieu of Design or Operational Standards
 - Exemption of Small Businesses from some or all requirements
 - Other, describe:
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4. Describe the methods incorporated into the Rule that will reduce its impact on Small Businesses

5. Describe the Rule's Enforcement Provisions

6. Did the Agency prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis (if Yes, attach to form)

- Yes No
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