

## Chapter MPSW 15

### DEFINITIONS FOR PRACTICE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY

#### MPSW 15.01 Definitions.

#### MPSW 15.02 Practice of marriage and family therapy.

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**MPSW 15.01 Definitions.** As used in chs. MPSW 15 to 19:

(1) “Accredited” means accredited by the commission on accreditation for marriage and family therapy education of the American association for marriage and family therapy.

(1m) “Face-to-face” means in person or real time video conferencing where all parties can communicate by simultaneous means of audio, telephone, video, or data communications.

(2) “Regionally accredited college or university” means a college or university which is accredited by any of the following bodies: the New England association of schools and colleges, the middle states association of colleges and schools, the higher learning commission, the northwest association of schools and

colleges, the southern association of colleges and schools, the western association of schools and colleges.

(3) “Supervision” means supervision of the professional practice of marriage and family therapy in the applied skills of the profession. Supervision may be performed face-to-face whether in person or remotely.

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**MPSW 15.02 Practice of marriage and family therapy.** A licensed marriage and family therapist may practice marriage and family therapy as defined in s. 457.01, Stats., without supervision.

**Note:** A licensed marriage and family therapist employed in a certified outpatient mental health clinic is subject to rules of the department of health services regarding supervision.

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