



# FACT SHEET

## LSW Supervised Practice Requirements

**Effective August 1, 2011**

**Supervised Practice hours obtained prior to August 1, 2011** must comply with the requirements that were in effect at that time.

**Supervised Practice hours obtained on or after August 1, 2011** must comply with the increased requirements.

### **One-time requirement after LSW license is issued:**

- 100 hours of supervision is required over 4,000 hours of practice at the rate of 4 hours of supervision for every 160 hours worked.
  - 50 hours must be provided through one-on-one supervision, including:
    - a minimum of 25 hours of in-person supervision, and
    - no more than 25 hours of supervision via eye-to-eye electronic media while maintaining visual contact
  - Remaining 50 hours must be provided through:
    - one-on-one supervision, or
    - group supervision (limited to six supervisees)
    - supervision may be in-person, by telephone, or via eye-to-eye electronic media while maintaining visual contact, excluding e-mail
- Licensing supervisor must be a LSW who has completed the supervised practice requirements, or a LGSW, LISW, or LICSW.
- To be eligible to provide licensing supervision on or after August 1, 2011, a social worker must attest to the completion of the one-time requirement of 30 hours of training in supervision when submitting a Supervision Plan form or Supervision Verification form. The supervisor is subject to audit to verify compliance.



## FAQs

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**Q. I am currently an LSW who started my supervision requirement before August 1, 2011 but will not be finished until after August 1, 2011. How will the Board determine that I have met the supervised practice requirement?**

A. At least three hours of supervision must be obtained during every 160 hours, or one month of fulltime practice, that occurs prior August 1, 2011. At least 4 hours of supervision must be obtained during every 160 hours, or one month of fulltime practice, that occurs on or after August 1, 2011.

For example, if an LSW working fulltime has completed three hours of supervision per month over 1000 hours of practice prior to August 1, 2011; the remaining 3000 practice hours required must be supervised at the increased rate of four hours of supervision per month. The LSW will then have met the 4000 hour supervised practice requirement.

**Q. What if my supervisor has not met the supervisor requirement of 30 hours of training in supervision by August 1, 2011?**

A. Supervision with this supervisor must be suspended until the supervisor complies with the new requirement.