

**Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board
Master's Level Psychology Advisory Committee Meeting
October 1, 2025
Approved Minutes**

- I. Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by David Anderson, Chair of the Advisory Committee, at 1:00 p.m.

Master's Level Psychology Advisory Committee Members. Advisory Committee Members who participated by Zoom or phone were David Anderson, David Stevens, Elizabeth Burch, Ginger Hill, Rebecca Jabara, Lauren Lucht, Sarah McMillen, Iris Pauly, Robert Pedroza, and Jennifer Schreiner. Joshua Tanguay was absent.

BSRB Staff. BSRB staff members who participated by Zoom included David Fye and Leslie Allen.

- II. Review and Approval of the Agenda or Additions to the Agenda.** Iris Pauly requested that there be discussion on signing off on psychological evaluations, and questions regarding competency evaluations, personnel evaluations, and fitness for duty evaluations. Ginger Hill moved to approve the agenda with this addition. Lauren Lucht seconded. The motion passed.
- III. Review and Approval of Minutes from Advisory Committee Meeting on August 6, 2025.** Robert Pedroza moved to approve the minutes from the Advisory Committee meeting on August 6, 2025. David Stevens seconded. The motion passed.
- IV. Executive Director's Report.** The Executive Director reported on agency operations, legislative updates, recent Board meetings, and upcoming meetings.
- V. Old Business.**
- A. Continued Review and Discussion on Draft Survey Report of Licensees.**
- i. **Negative Issues Related to Telehealth (Page 17 and Pages 52-56).** One of the bigger issues faced concerning telehealth is ensuring that patients are physically in the state of Kansas at the time of telehealth sessions. Another aspect of telehealth is making sure that providers know where local hospitals are in case there is a safety concern with a client. Ensuring that clients are in a confidential, private location is another aspect of telehealth that was mentioned in the survey results. Insurance coverage, at times, can also be a barrier for clients. Advisory Committee members expressed the importance of allowing for continuity of care and for services to be carried out even if clients are temporarily out of state.
 - ii. **Use of Artificial Intelligence in Practice (Page 20 and Pages 60-61).** Licensees commonly reported using AI for progress notes. Advisory Committee members were surprised to see that AI has been used for

billing purposes. An advantage of using AI in practice includes consistency in documentation.

- B. Continued Discussion on Regulation of Artificial Intelligence.** Advisory Committee members discussed how they have incorporated AI into their own practice. The Executive Director noted that Utah has begun implementing regulations around AI, and Virginia is starting the process of looking into making laws. More information will continue to be gathered concerning AI regulations in other states.
- C. Continued Discussion on Alternative Pathways to Licensure.** The Executive Director listed the 16 other states that license master's level psychologists and provided their names for the license. Very few states have a title that shows a tier. The Executive Director brought up doing more research to see what the pass point is in the different states for their master's level psychologists.

VI. New Business

- A. Advisory Committee Member Recommendations.** The consensus was to recommend Katelynn Reed for Advisory Committee membership.
- B. Review of Regulations.**
 - i. K.A.R. 102-4-4a Applications for Licensure.** The Executive Director suggested the Advisory Committee recommend striking "director of the" before "board" in (a). Due to statutory changes, and for consistency between regulations and statutes, the Executive Director also suggested the Advisory Committee recommend striking (e)(1)(A), (e)(1)(B), and (e)(B), as the BSRB does not monitor or have a requirement on how soon individuals must sit for the examination. The Assistant Director expressed that the regulation could further be edited by removing the definition of extenuating circumstances and instead reference back to the definitions regulation (K.A.R. 102-4-1a) for extenuating circumstances. The consensus was to move forward with recommending all of these changes to the Board.
 - ii. K.A.R. 102-4-4b Application for Licensure by Reciprocity.** Requirements were changed in statute; now, to qualify for licensure by reciprocity, individuals must be licensed for one year with a similar scope of practice. There is no longer a requirement that an individual must have been practicing for five years. By consensus, the Advisory Committee recommended these changes and that they be sent to the Board for approval.
 - iii. K.A.R. 102-4-5a Examination Requirements.** This regulation is currently being worked on and edited to allow individuals with an LMLP who are working towards a clinical license to be authorized to sit for the EPPP prior to the completion of all clinical hour requirements. The 60 percent and 70 percent pass rate also needs to be changed to 400 and 500 pass points. Since all forms and fees relating to the EPPP go through the examination company now, language speaking to those also needs to be

removed. By consensus, the Advisory Committee agreed to these changes and recommended these changes be sent to the Board.

- iv. **K.A.R. 102-4-6a Academically Supervised Practicum.** The Assistant Director recommended including “internship” along with practicum in the language. It was recommended that references to face-to-face and on-site be stricken since supervision can now be done via Zoom or other related means. There was discussion about when practicum/internship supervisors do not recommend applicants for licensure and what that process looks like. This item will be discussed further at the next meeting.
- v. **K.A.R. 102-4-6b Postgraduate Hours in Lieu of Practicum.** By consensus, the Advisory Committee recommended changing the 4,000 hour language to 3,000 hours, to match the reference in the statutory requirements that were reduced.
- vi. **K.A.R. 102-4-9a Renewal and Reinstatement.** The Board has changed reinstatement requirements for individuals whose licenses have been expired for over a year. Specifically, the cost of reinstatements was cut in half for these individuals, so language will need to be updated to include this. The Executive Director also recommended striking the language in (b) that says, “Each applicant who fails to meet the statutory deadlines for reinstatement may submit a new licensure application as provided in K.A.R. 102-4-4a,” as it is no longer applicable since individuals can reinstate their licenses as opposed to having to submit a new application. It was also recommended to correct language in (d) to say, “reinstate” instead of “renew” since licensees cannot renew an expired license. The Assistant Director recommended adding language speaking to the reinstatement temporary license that individuals can pursue if they have been expired for more than one year. The consensus was to move forward with recommending all these changes to the Board.
- vii. **K.A.R. 102-4-9b Renewal Audit.** Under (c)(2), BSRB staff suggested that “original” be stricken, as there is no longer a need for the original documents to be provided, especially since so much is now done electronically. It was also suggested by BSRB staff that language be added to address the submission of documents by an entity approved by the Board. By consensus, the Advisory Committee recommended all suggested changes and to move these changes to the Board.
- viii. **K.A.R. 102-4-14 Licensee to Consult with Physician when Determining Symptoms of Mental Disorders.** Due to time constraints, this item was tabled to the next Advisory Committee meeting.
- ix. **K.A.R. 102-4-15 Designation of Referral Source for Use in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Mental Disorders.** By consensus, the Advisory Committee recommended that the language be updated to the most updated version of the DSM.
- x. **K.A.R. 102-4-16 Services Rendered to Individuals Located in this State.** There were no recommended changes for this regulation.

VII. Possible Additional Agenda Items.

A. Signing Off On Psychological Evaluations, and Questions Regarding Competency Evaluations, Personnel Evaluations, and Fitness for Duty Evaluations. Advisory Committee members discussed whether Licensed Psychologists need to sign off on Master's Level Psychologists, or if they can be signed off by Licensed Clinical Psychotherapists. BSRB staff noted that the BSRB statutes and regulations do not speak to this, so it would be more of a question for employers.

VIII. Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 3, 2025, at 1 pm over Zoom.

IX. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned.