

Kansas Administrative Regulations

Agency 102

Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board

Article 7.—Licensing of Addiction Counselors

102-7-5. Examination for addiction counselor, master's addiction counselor, or clinical

addiction counselor. (a)(1) Each applicant for licensure as an addiction counselor who does not meet the requirements of K.A.R. 102-7-4b shall be required to pass a nationally administered, standardized written examination approved by the board.

(2) An applicant shall not be authorized to register for an examination until the applicant is within at least four months of anticipated completion of the applicable academic degree requirements and has satisfied the board that the applicant merits the public trust. Each applicant who has not completed the applicable academic degree requirements on the date that the application is submitted shall arrange for the required transcripts to be sent to the board when the academic degree is awarded to the applicant.

(3) The applicant's required written examination may be waived by the board if the applicant obtained a passing score as determined by the examination company on a nationally administered, standardized written examination deemed by the board to be substantially equivalent to the examination used in Kansas.

(b)(1) Each applicant for licensure as a master's addiction counselor who does not meet the requirements of K.A.R. 102-7-4b shall be required to pass a nationally administered, standardized written examination approved by the board.

(2) An applicant shall not be authorized to register for an examination until the applicant is within at least four months of anticipated completion of the applicable academic degree requirements and has satisfied the board that the applicant merits the public trust. Each applicant who has not completed the applicable academic degree requirements on the date that the application is submitted shall arrange for the required transcripts to be sent to the board when the academic degree is awarded to the applicant.

(3) The applicant's required written examination may be waived by the board if the applicant obtained a passing score as determined by the examination company on a nationally administered, standardized written examination deemed by the board to be substantially

equivalent to the examination used in Kansas.

(c)(1) Each applicant for licensure as a clinical addiction counselor who does not meet the requirements of K.A.R. 102-7-4b shall be required to pass a nationally administered, standardized written clinical examination approved by the board.

(2) An applicant shall not be authorized to register for the clinical examination or to qualify for a waiver of the examination until the applicant has fulfilled all educational requirements and has satisfied the board that the applicant merits the public trust.

(3) The applicant's required written clinical examination may be waived by the board if the applicant obtained a passing score as determined by the examination company on a standardized written examination deemed by the board to be substantially equivalent to the examination used in Kansas. (Authorized by K.S.A. 74-7507; implementing K.S.A. 2023 Supp. 65-6610; effective, T-102-7-1-11, July 1, 2011; effective, T-102-10-27-11, Oct. 27, 2011; effective Jan. 20, 2012; amended June 21, 2024.)

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