KENTUCKY BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE WILL BE CLOSED FROM DECEMBER 25TH TO JANUARY 1ST AND WILL BE BACK IN THE OFFICE TUESDAY, JANUARY 2ND, 2024.

THANK YOU FOR A GREAT YEAR!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO YOU ALL!

2024 Board Meeting Dates

January 8 July 8

February 12 August 12

March 11 September 9

April 8 October 14

May 13 November 18

June 10 December 9

All board meetings are held at 125 Holmes Street, Suite 310, Frankfort KY and are open to the public. Please join us when you can. They are also available via zoom. You can request the link the Friday before.

Board dates above are subject to change.

Have you moved, changed employers, or had a name change?

Let us know by making these changes using the Self-Service Portal on the Board website below.....

https://bsw.ky.gov

You may also email Board staff or call the office

***MEDICAID REGULATION INFORMATION ***

Per our discussion at the December Board meeting, most of you are aware of the Medicaid regulation that is being proposed by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services. The regulation basically has a person with a college degree and a person that is enrolled in college can provide services. To some, it reads as the person would be doing clinical services as a MSW without being licensed by the Board.

If you would like to provide input, you can access the regulation at

<u>Title 907 Chapter 1 Regulation 044 • Kentucky Administrative Regulations • Legislative Research Commission</u>

The regulation number is 907 KAR 1:044.

The comment period for this ends January 31, 2024.

****ASWB PSI TESTING INFORMATION***

ASWB has now transitioned to the new exam system called PSI. No exams will be administered for the rest of the year. But you can continue to apply for the exams on the board website and once we send you your approval notice; you can continue to register for your exam in the new year.

Please contact PSI to schedule your exam. To learn more or if you need assistance check out https://www.aswb.org/test-administration-changes-coming-january-2-2024/
Or contact ASWB at 888-579-3926

Frequently Asked Questions

** What do you do once you have completed your 2 year supervision contract and obtained your 150 supervision hours?**

- 1. If you or your supervisor hasn't submitted your supervised experience documentation forms to the board office, then be sure to get those submitted by email to us or you can upload them when you go online to apply;
- 2. Be sure your supervisor has completed all questions and signed them;
- 3. Then go online to the board website and apply for the LCSW license;
- 4. After we review it, you will receive an approval notice to take your Clinical exam;
- 5. Then after you pass your Clinical exam, email us to let us know and we will get your score report and license payment and issue your license.

NOTE: you must remain in supervision until your LCSW license has been issued.

Reminders

- Our new Facebook page is called "The KY Board of Social Work" be sure to like and share it!
- Check your license expiration date and get your license renewed before they expire. You can renew 3 months in advance
- If you would like to attend our monthly Board meeting, please let us know, we would love to have you.
- ASWB has FREE test prep and resources available on their website aswb.org
- When you are ready to work toward your LCSW, be sure to submit a supervision contract to the board office for approval first. We will not count any hours prior to that approval date.
- If you have a complaint filed against you, please be sure to get your response in within 20 days of receiving your notice.



"We cannot teach people anything; we can only help them discover it within themselves."

Things You Can Do

- 1. When you need an official license verification from the Board, you can request a digital verification from the website. Note there is a \$25 license verification fee. If we need to send an official verification to any states for you, be sure to email this information to us so we know where to send it.
- 2. If you have any changes, such as a name change, be sure to go to the self service portal on the website and update any changes.
- 3. If you let your license expire for any reason and you want to reinstate it, be sure to mail the reinstatement application and all needed documents to the board office for review. NOTE: you may or may not be required to retake your ASWB exam depending on the length of your license expiration.
- 4. Keep your mind active and learn something new every day!
- 5. ALWAYS take care of yourself!
- 6. ENJOY the holidays with your family and friends!