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WE WILL BE HAVING OUR 2024 LISTENING SESSION ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 FROM 11:30 TO 12:30CT – 12:30 TO 1:30ET TOPIC WILL BE ON GRADUATE STUDENT PROCESSES, INCLUDING APPLYING FOR THE EXAM. SO, MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

2024 Board Meeting Dates

January 8

July 8

February 12

August 12

March 11

September 9

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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. You can also watch via our Utube channel KBSW. The link is on our website.

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

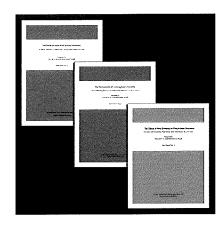
You may also email Board staff or call the office

ASWB SOCIAL WORK SCOPE

ASWB publishes new research on disparities in pass rates for the social work licensing exams

The Association of Social Work Boards today published a <u>three-part series of research</u> reports analyzing the social work licensing examination pass rate disparities.

The goal of the exam report series, based on additional analyses of data on ASWB exam pass rates and those of other professions, is to inform ASWB's and the social work profession's approach to addressing the complex individual, institutional, and community factors influencing the testing experience and exam results.



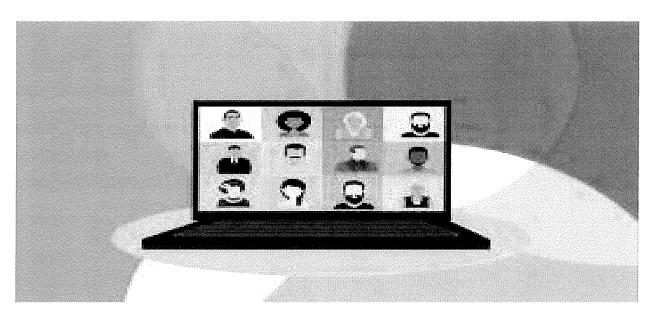
The exam report series represents a collaboration between ASWB and Joy Kim, MSW, Ph.D., of Rutgers University School of Social Work, along with her associate Michael Joo, MSW, Ph.D.

Dr. Kim's research begins with a report that profiles social work license examinees using ASWB data, continues with a review of other profession's literature on licensing and certification exam pass rate disparities, and concludes with an analysis of the effects of race and ethnicity on clinical exam outcomes.

"The goal was to look at ASWB exam data from several angles to more fully understand factors impacting the examinees. These findings are reflected in three distinct but complementary reports," said Kim.

The exam report series is part of ASWB's ongoing initiative to expand understanding of and increase responsiveness to the factors that disproportionately affect certain examinees.

***SEPTEMBER 2024 LISTENING SESSION ***



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR OUR 2024 LISTENING SESSION

DATE: Friday, September 20, 2024

TIME: 11:30am to 12:30pm CT

12:30pm to 01:30pm ET

TOPIC: Graduate Student exam and licensing

process

Zoom link will be available prior to the above date

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do I only need to submit my supervised experience documentation forms in order to get approved to take the clinical exam?

NO, you must apply online at the board website for the LCSW exam/license. Just be sure we have your supervision documents in your file or upload them when you apply. Then once we review all, we will email you an approval notice for the clinical exam.

**What do I need to do once I pass my ASWB exam?

You find information in your approval notice or you can email us the score report and we will send you a link to pay the license fee. LSW fee is \$75; CSW fee is \$125; and the LCSW fee is \$200. Please note once you pass the LCSW clinical exam, we must also have your continued supervision form from your supervisor

Do my supervision hours under a temporary permit count toward my supervision hours toward my LCSW license?

NO, supervision under a temp permit is different. You will begin supervision toward your LCSW once your CSW license is issued and you have an approved supervision contract in place.

Reminders

- Be sure and like and share our Facebook page "The KY Board of Social Work" We post a friendly Friday reminder each work along with other information for you all.
- Don't forget to do your renewals. You
 can now submit them online 3 months in
 advance. If they expire after 3 months,
 you must submit a reinstatement
 application.
- If you would like to attend our monthly Board meeting, please let us know, we would love to have you. If not you can watch it on our Utube Channel.
- 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. You cannot start supervision until you receive an approval email.



"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 are a graduate student, you can apply to take your exam 6 weeks prior to your graduation date. You must submit your unofficial transcript to get you approved, so be sure to add it to your application. Then once you pass your exam, we must have your official transcript with your degree awarded sent to us directly from your school before we can issue any license.
- 3. If you want to stay up to date on the COMPACT; you can find information on ASWB website. They will begin working on everything in September.
- 4. Keep your mind active and learn something new every day!
- 5. ALWAYS take time for self care!!