



Board of Behavioral Sciences

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**Subject:** Licensing Report

### Licensing Program Applications Received

Overall, the Board has received 16% more applications than were received in the second quarter of FY 2021/22.

Application Received	1 <sup>st</sup> QTR FY 21/22	2 <sup>nd</sup> QTR FY 21/22	3 <sup>rd</sup> QTR FY 21/22	4 <sup>th</sup> QTR FY 21/22	Difference From 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> QTR
AMFT Registration	1,207	557	717	N/A	+29%
AMFT Subsequent Registration	182	162	171	N/A	+6%
LMFT Examination	463	500	623	N/A	+24%
ASW Registration	1,190	492	547	N/A	+11%
ASW Subsequent Registration	193	158	168	N/A	+6%
LCSW Examination	619	651	695	N/A	+7%
LEP Examination	38	16	29	N/A	+81%
APCC Registration	499	245	300	N/A	+22%
APCC Subsequent Registration	25	18	19	N/A	+6%
LPCC Examination	134	144	142	N/A	-1%
<b>Total Applications</b>	<b>3,343</b>	<b>2,943</b>	<b>3,411</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>+16%</b>

**Licensing Program Processing Times**

Application processing times for the registrant desks (AMFT, ASW, APCC) decreased significantly since the second quarter of FY 2021/22. The processing times for the LCSW examination applications increased and is at 115 days. To reduce the backlog the board has reassigned staff and has hired and currently training two new staff members. Additionally, the Licensing team has a plan in place to cross train evaluators so that they will be able to both LMFT & LCSW examination applications. This will provide more flexibility in addressing fluctuation in application volumes or staff resources.

<b>Application Processing Times</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> QTR FY 21/22</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> QTR FY 21/22</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> QTR FY 21/22</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> QTR FY 21/22</b>	<b>Difference From 2<sup>nd</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> QTR</b>
AMFT Registration	50	70	40	N/A	-30 Days
LMFT Examination	194	52	57	N/A	+5 Days
ASW Registration	61	57	27	N/A	-30 Days
LCSW Examination	71	90	115	N/A	+25 Days
LEP Examination	40	76	20	N/A	-56 Days
APCC Registration	58	63	39	N/A	-24 Days
LPCC Examination	35	33	26	N/A	-7 Days

**Renewal Activity**

Overall, renewal activity decreased by 11% in the third quarter of FY 2021/2022.

<b>Renewals</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> QTR FY 21/22</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> QTR FY 21/22</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> QTR FY 21/22</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> QTR FY 21/22</b>	<b>Difference From 2<sup>nd</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> QTR</b>
AMFT	3,074	2,230	<b>2,306</b>	N/A	+3%
LMFT	5,455	4,989	<b>5,221</b>	N/A	+5%
ASW	4,138	2,372	<b>1,646</b>	N/A	-31%
LCSW	3,626	3,223	<b>3,253</b>	N/A	+1%
LEP	223	170	<b>206</b>	N/A	+21%
APCC	962	351	<b>634</b>	N/A	+81%
LPCC	325	142	<b>350</b>	N/A	+146%
<b>TOTAL Renewals</b>	<b>17,803</b>	<b>15,380</b>	<b>13,616</b>	N/A	-11%

### **Administrative Applications**

Overall, administrative application volumes increased by 6% in the third quarter of FY 2021/2022.

<b>Administrative Application Volumes</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> QTR FY 21/22</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> QTR FY 21/22</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> QTR FY 21/22</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> QTR FY 21/22</b>	<b>Difference From 2<sup>nd</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> QTR</b>
Name Change	442	425	355	<b>N/A</b>	-16%
Address Change	4,022	3,225	3,602	<b>N/A</b>	+12%
Duplicate License	1,002	829	878	<b>N/A</b>	+6%
License Certification	814	794	744	<b>N/A</b>	-6%
<b>TOTAL Admin Applications</b>	<b>6,280</b>	<b>5,273</b>	<b>5,579</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>6%</b>