# LCSW Breakdown of Required Experience

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| • Clinical psychosocial diagnosis  
• Assessment  
• Treatment  
• Psychotherapy  
• Counseling | Minimum 2,000 hours REQUIRED  
Minimum 750 hours of performing face-to-face individual or group psychotherapy is REQUIRED as part of this 2,000 hours | One hour of direct supervisor contact* is required for any week in which more than 10 hours of face-to-face psychotherapy is performed for each setting in which experience is gained. |
| • Client-centered advocacy  
• Consultation  
• Evaluation  
• Research | Maximum 1,200 hours allowed | |
| • Supervision, Individual | Minimum 52 weeks REQUIRED, 13 of which must be supervised by a LCSW | One hour of direct supervisor contact* is required for a minimum of 104 weeks. |
| • Supervision, Group  
(not more than eight (8) supervisees in the group) | No minimum or maximum | No more than five hours of supervision may be credited during any single week. |
| **Total Weeks of Experience REQUIRED** | **Minimum 104 weeks** | |
| **Total Hours REQUIRED** | **Minimum 3,200 hours**** | Maximum of 40 hours experience may be credited for any week. |

* One hour of direct supervisor contact means one hour of individual supervision or two hours of group supervision  
** A minimum of 1,700 hours must be gained under the supervision of a LCSW  
NOTE: All hours of experience for licensure must be gained post-degree.

The information provided in this publication is general and intended to serve as a quick answer guide for common questions. The Statutes and Regulations Relating to the Practice of Marriage and Family Therapy, Licensed Clinical Social Work, and Licensed Educational Psychology contains the official legal code sections and language.

The BBS encourages you to thoroughly read the Statutes and Regulations and refer to it in cases that require official legal language.