

**EXAMINATION BLACKOUT PERIOD IN DECEMBER FOR
LICENSED MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST
AND
LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER APPLICANTS**

Effective January 1, 2016 the Board's examination process will be restructured. In order to ensure a successful transition, the Board will be implementing an examination blackout period for Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) and Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) examinations to ensure the integrity of examination candidate data during the transition. The examination blackout period will be from **December 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015**.

IMPORTANT BLACKOUT PERIOD INFORMATION

- During the examination blackout period the Board will continue to accept applications for licensure eligibility and examinations, but applicants will not be able to register for or take an examination during the blackout.
- The Board will work with candidates who have eligibility to ensure that they are not adversely affected.
- This blackout period does not affect LPCC and LEP applicants.

IMPORTANT BLACKOUT PERIOD INFORMATION FOR LMFT APPLICANTS

- If you are currently eligible to take the Standard Written Exam or the Clinical Vignette Exam you may schedule and take the exam before November 30, 2015. After November 30, 2015 you will not be able to schedule your exam.
- Starting on January 1, 2016 you will be able to schedule and take your exam. If you were eligible to take the Standard Written Exam, you will schedule and take the California Law & Ethics Exam. If you were eligible to take the Clinical Vignette Exam, you will schedule for and take the Clinical Written Exam.

IMPORTANT BLACKOUT PERIOD INFO FOR LCSW APPLICANTS

- If you are currently eligible to take the Standard Written Exam or the Clinical Vignette Exam you may schedule and take the exam before November 30, 2015. After November 30, 2015 you will not be able to schedule your exam.
- Starting on January 1, 2016 you will be able to schedule and take your exam. If you were eligible to take the Standards Written Exam, you will schedule and take the California Law & Ethics Exam. If you were eligible to take the Clinical Vignette Exam, you will register for and take the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) Clinical Exam.