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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR



Deborah N. Brown, MPA, Chair

Happy New Year from the Board of Behavioral Sciences! Last year was a busy one and much was accomplished. Among the Board's accomplishments were the establishment of the Exempt Setting Committee, and the conclusion of the Supervision Subcommittee's work on updating and enhancing supervision requirements for licensure, which resulted in pending legislation. Moving forward, and as an ongoing endeavor of the Board, is the issue of license portability. In the fall of 2017, the License Portability Committee was established and is currently chaired by Dr. Leah Brew.

In a collaborative effort with the California Medical Board and the California Board of Psychology, the *Professional Therapy Never Includes Sex* brochure is being updated. The revised brochure will reflect a new title and continues to convey the message that sexual behavior between a licensee and a client is never appropriate. I would like to thank Dr. Brew and Jonathan Maddox for their contributions on this project. We anticipate that the new brochure will be available in the spring of 2018.

Late fall of 2017 saw the adoption of the Board's new three-year Strategic Plan. Included in this *2018–2021 Strategic Plan* will be an emphasis on license portability, increased access through technology and Board accountability. As always, the Board strives to create an environment that is efficient, streamlined, and technologically friendly. As in the previous strategic plan, our emphasis will continue to be on licensing, examination, enforcement, legislation, and community outreach.

In addition, the Board has a new online face. The latest version of our website is now live. We welcome any feedback you may have to continually make it more user-friendly and efficient. The revised website was a large undertaking and could not have been accomplished without the assistance of the Department of Consumer Affairs Internet team and Board staff.

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LAW CHANGES FOR 2018

Several changes to laws went into effect January 1, 2018, that will affect Board of Behavioral Sciences (Board/BBS) licensees and registrants. It is important to understand these changes to ensure your compliance with the laws. Below is a summary of the new law changes. Please take a moment to review them. You may view the entire text of the code in the Board's 2018 Statutes and Regulations law book, which is available on the Board's website.

Title Change for Marriage and Family Therapist Interns and Professional Clinical Counselor Interns

Effective January 1, 2018, the title for marriage and family therapist and professional clinical counselor registrants changed from "intern" to "associate." Permissible titles are as follows:

- Associate Marriage and Family Therapist
- Registered Associate Marriage and Family Therapist
- Associate Professional Clinical Counselor
- Registered Associate Professional Clinical Counselor

This title change is the result of SB 1478, which became effective in 2017. However, this provision had a one-year delayed implementation date, which is why it becomes effective in 2018. For more information, see the Board's website.

Code sections affected: Business and Professions Code §§ 4980.09 and 4999.12.5.

BOARD-SPONSORED LEGISLATION

SB 800 (Senate Business, Professions, & Economic Development Committee): Board Omnibus Bill

This bill makes several technical and noncontroversial amendments to current licensing law, including but not limited to, the changes listed below. The complete text of the bill can be found at: <https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/>.

1. **Name Changes:** Requires a licensee or registrant to notify the Board of a name change within 30 days of the issuance of a new government-issued photo ID. A copy of the new photo ID and the legal document authorizing the name change must be provided, and the licensee or registrant must certify under the penalty of perjury that the information they provided is correct.

2. **Requirements for Out-of-State Licensees:** Amendments were made to the law to clarify and make consistent the following:

- » That to apply as an LMFT, LCSW, or LPCC out-of-state licensee, that license must be valid and in good standing.
- » For an out-of-state LCSW or LPCC licensee to qualify for the waiver of the clinical exam, the applicant must have already passed that exam and have a license or registration that is active and in good standing.

OTHER BILLS AFFECTING BOARD LICENSEES AND BOARD OPERATIONS

AB 191: Signatory for Involuntary Commitments

This bill adds licensed marriage and family therapists and licensed professional clinical counselors to the list of professionals who are authorized to be the secondary signatory to extend involuntary commitments, under certain circumstances.

Code sections affected: Welfare and Institutions Code §§ 5251, 5261, and 5270.20.

AB 508: Citation and Fine—Student Loan Default

This bill removes a healing arts board's ability to issue a citation and fine and its ability to deny an application for a license or renewal of a license due to the licensee or applicant being in default on a U.S. Department of Health and Human Services education loan.

Code section affected: Business and Professions Code § 685 was repealed.

AB 1188: Renewal Fees/Loan Repayment Grant Program

This bill increases the fee that renewing licensees pay into the Mental Health Practitioner Education Fund, which funds a competitive loan repayment grant program to reimburse educational loans for licensed mental health service providers who provide direct patient care in a publicly funded facility or a mental health professional shortage area.

Effective July 1, 2018, this bill increases the fee that LMFTs and LCSWs pay upon license renewal to fund the program, from \$10 to \$20.

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The bill also requires LPCCs, who currently do not pay a fee into the Mental Health Practitioner Education Fund, to pay a \$20 fee into the fund at each renewal. LPCCs and registered associate professional clinical counselors will now also be able to apply for the loan repayment grant if they work in a qualifying area.

Code sections affected: Business and Professions Code §§ 4984.75, 4996.65, 4999.121; Health and Safety Code § 128454.

SB 374: Coverage of Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders

This bill requires that large group health insurance policies and individual and small group health insurance policies, which are regulated by the Department of Insurance, must provide all covered mental health and substance use disorder benefits in compliance with federal law. This is parallel to a current requirement already in place for large, individual, or small group health care service plans regulated by the Department of Managed Health Care.

Code section added: Insurance Code § 10144.4.

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A big welcome to our newest Board member Jonathan Maddox. Mr. Maddox was appointed by Governor Brown in October 2017. Mr. Maddox is a licensed marriage and family therapist in private practice since 2004, and training and internship coordinator at San Francisco County Behavioral Health Services since 2014, where he has served in several positions since 2006, including program director and clinical supervisor.

In closing, and above all, the Board of Behavioral Sciences is dedicated to *consumer protection, accountability, transparency, customer service, integrity, quality, and respect*. The Board continues to encourage the public to share and participate in this joint venture in maintaining the *highest quality of mental health care for all Californians*.

Deborah N. Brown, MPA

Chair, Board of Behavioral Sciences



ONLINE SERVICES

Did you know that if you have a BreZE account you can do any of the following activities online?

- **RENEW** your license/registration
- **SUBMIT** a change of address
- **REQUEST** a replacement or duplicate certificate

Don't have a BreZE account? Create one: Select the BreZE icon on the Board's website and follow the steps for a new registration.

TELEHEALTH PRACTICE

The delivery of mental health services has evolved through the years. Twenty to 30 years ago, many practitioners were in private practice settings. Today, the delivery of mental health services has expanded from primarily a private practice setting to community mental health settings and beyond into electronic settings. With the advent of the Internet, cellphones, and social media, technology has emerged as a method to deliver mental health services. An increasing number of clients seem to favor the use of technology to receive their services. The challenge becomes, how does a practitioner continue to provide services in an ethical and lawful manner within these technological settings?

Business and Professions Code (BPC) section 2290.5 (a)(2) defines the distant site as the site where the practitioner is located while providing telehealth services. BPC section 2290.5 (a)(4) defines the originating site as the site where the client receiving telehealth services is located.

A few years ago, the Board proposed regulations to provide some foundational guidance to its licensees regarding the practice of telehealth. The regulations specify the standards for providing telehealth services. A licensee or registrant must follow these standards to ensure compliance with California law. The regulations were adopted on July 1, 2016, and became California Code of Regulations (CCR) section 1815.5.

§ 1815.5. STANDARDS OF PRACTICE FOR TELEHEALTH

(a) All persons engaging in the practice of marriage and family therapy, educational psychology, clinical social work, or professional clinical counseling via telehealth, as defined in Section 2290.5 of the Code, with a client who is physically located in this State, must have a valid and current license or registration issued by the Board.

(b) All psychotherapy services offered by Board licensees and registrants via telehealth fall within the jurisdiction of the Board just as traditional face-to-face services do. Therefore, all psychotherapy services offered via telehealth are subject to the Board's statutes and regulations.

(c) Upon initiation of telehealth services, a licensee or registrant shall do the following:

(1) Obtain informed consent from the client consistent with Section 2290.5 of the Code.

(2) Inform the client of the potential risks and limitations of receiving treatment via telehealth.

(3) Provide the client with his or her license or registration number and the type of license or registration.

(4) Document reasonable efforts made to ascertain the contact information of relevant resources, including emergency services, in the patient's geographic area.

(d) Each time a licensee or registrant provides services via telehealth, he or she shall do the following:

(1) Verbally obtain from the client and document the client's full name and address of present location, at the beginning of each telehealth session.

(2) Assess whether the client is appropriate for telehealth, including, but not limited to, consideration of the client's psychosocial situation.

(3) Utilize industry best practices for telehealth to ensure both client confidentiality and the security of the communication medium.

(e) A licensee or registrant of this state may provide telehealth services to clients located in another jurisdiction only if the California licensee or registrant meets the requirements to lawfully provide services in that jurisdiction, and delivery of services via telehealth is allowed by that jurisdiction.

(f) Failure to comply with these provisions shall be considered unprofessional conduct.

The most frequent question that arises concerning telehealth is, "What do I do if my client is temporarily out of state and needs services?" The very nature of your work is to assist your client, so the question is valid. What can a practitioner do to avoid noncompliance with the law?

Each state has its own laws regarding telehealth. As the California regulations point out, it is important to know the laws of the state where the client is located when you are providing telehealth services. Some states specify a temporary time period in which telehealth services may be provided without licensure in that state. Other states require full licensure to deliver all mental health services. Some time spent researching or contacting the state directly regarding their laws will help the practitioner avoid any potential violation of law. Remember, all states consider practicing without a license unlicensed activity.

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Many questions relate to the “five-minute call” with the client—does that violate California law? Each situation is unique and specific to that client. It is impractical for the law to regulate each and every situation. Therefore, the practitioner must rely on his/her professional judgement and balance the decision considering the ethics and laws governing the practitioner’s profession.

Simply put, if you decide to engage in telehealth services either in-state or out-of-state, the Board strongly encourages you to become familiar with the applicable laws. Doing so will help you avoid any potential violation of law.

DEALING WITH FAMILIES OF DIVORCE

WHAT TO AVOID AND HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF, PART II

By Terri L. Asanovich, LMFT and Consultant

In the Board’s fall 2017 newsletter, I discussed guidelines that could protect a therapist when working with families of divorce. In this article, I will present a real-life example of a therapist who worked with a family of divorce and acted outside the parameters of their role as a therapist. In this example, the therapist demonstrated unprofessional conduct, incompetence, and intentionally or recklessly caused physical and emotional harm to clients. While this is based upon a complaint the Board received, the information has been changed to protect the anonymity of all involved.

A therapist worked with a married couple to help them improve communication. The couple’s therapy lasted for a few sessions, but eventually the couple’s treatment ended and the couple divorced. Sometime after the therapy had been terminated, the mother allegedly observed behavior problems, including sexualized behaviors, from their 5-year-old son after he returned from visits with his father and new stepmother. The mother contacted the therapist and began therapy sessions, along with her new husband, regarding these issues. The therapist also met with the child.

During that time, the estranged couple was going through a custody battle. The therapist’s actions concerning these therapy sessions propelled the son’s mother to submit a complaint with the Board. The complaint alleged:

- The therapist insisted that the child had seen pornography and had been exposed to inappropriate displays of sexual behavior between the father and his new stepmother, but never filed a report with the local Child Protective Services agency (CPS).

- The therapist believed the child had acted out with his stepsister, and reached out to the child’s stepmother without the consent of the biological parents to notify the stepmother that her daughter may have been molested.
- The therapist told the son’s mother that a pedophile would not prey on her child because the child was not blonde or blue-eyed.

Let’s look at what happened here.

The therapist did not obtain written releases from either parent before she communicated with the stepmother. She violated Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) regulations by divulging confidential information without written consent.

Not reporting child abuse given “reasonable suspicion” is gross negligence. As a mandated reporter, you must contact CPS or the police (the police handle a report when it is out-of-home abuse). When contacting CPS, you can consult with a social worker, who can determine if a duplicate report may already have been made. The social worker will decide what needs to be done and you, as a licensed mandated reporter, must follow it. The idea is that the social worker will decide if a report needs to be filed. While you are on the phone with CPS, log in the date on a notepad, take down the name of whom you spoke with, the time the call started and ended, and what the social worker instructed you to do, especially if they had advised you that a report was not necessary. This will help protect you in case any problems arise later.

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In the role as a therapist, you are not the investigator of a child abuse case or even a divorce case that does not include a child abuse allegation. That job is the purview of CPS and the court's evaluator, if there is one. It is beyond the scope of your role with the family. Due to the therapist speaking with other extended family members and getting them involved, confidentiality was breached. Given the apparent dysfunction of this family, the lines were blurred as to who was the therapist's patient. Originally, her clients were the biological parents and then her client was the biological parents' child. However, she later took on the mother and her new husband, and also reached out to the stepfather's ex-wife. This is a severe boundary violation. These actions demonstrate unprofessional conduct, incompetence, and caused emotional harm to a client.

Complex divorce cases must be handled using a very cautious and methodical approach. You must keep your boundaries clear with who is and who is not your patient. Also, remember what your role is, therapist versus evaluator; you cannot be both at the same time. If you do, it is gross negligence and incompetence and below the standard of care of a professional licensed by the Board.

Regarding the statement the therapist made where it was alleged that she told the mother and stepfather that only "blonde-haired, blue-eyed children" are the targets of pedophiles, this is gross negligence and incompetence. When dealing with suspicions of child abuse, a therapist must be very aware how powerful their words are to clients

and to the seriousness of such a claim. When there is a suspicion, ensure that you are basing this on your best clinical knowledge and the facts presented. Also, only discuss this with the appropriate individuals; your clients, the client's guardians who have proper releases, and CPS.

I hope this example helps you to rethink your approach with high-conflict families of divorce. It is important to tread very carefully in your interactions with a case involving these dynamics because they are often very volatile, even for seasoned professionals.

Should you be interested in developing your clinical skills in forensic divorce and child custody matters, there are workshops available held by some of the larger Bar associations in conjunction with mental health professionals. Good resources can be found in specialty workshops offered by the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT), as well as online materials on the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (CAMFT) and AAMFT websites, in addition to the following organizations:

- Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC)– California Chapter: www.afcc-ca.org
- AFCC National Organization: www.afccnet.org

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FOLLOW BBS ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER

These two social media venues will provide licensees, registrants, applicants, and consumers increased access to BBS activities and updates. Join the nearly 2,100 followers of BBS and become one of the first to know what's new at BBS. Simply "like" us on Facebook and follow BBS on Twitter to stay current on all BBS activities.

CONTINUING EDUCATION AUDITS

A licensee who fails a continuing education (CE) audit is subject to a citation and fine. The following chart reflects the annual results of the Board's CE audits for 2017.

2017 CE AUDIT RESULTS

LICENSE	NO. OF AUDITS	PASS	FAIL	% PASS	% FAIL
LCSW	366	266	100	73%	27%
LEP	42	17	25	40%	60%
LMFT	570	421	149	74%	26%
LPCC	35	30	5	86%	14%
TOTALS	1,013	734	279	72%	28%

LICENSING TOTALS *as of September 2017*

License Type	Total Population
AMFT	18,700
ASW	15,949
APCC	3,144
LMFT	42,919
LCSW	26,745
LEP	2,095
LPCC	1,631
Total Population	111,183

AVOID LOSING YOUR EXPERIENCE HOURS: RESPOND QUICKLY TO DEFICIENCY NOTICES AND TEST AT LEAST ONCE PER YEAR

Completing your supervised experience hours and submitting your Application for Licensure and Examination is an amazing accomplishment. Once your Application for Licensure and Examination has been delivered to the Board, it is important to remember that until you have passed both licensure exams and submitted your initial license application, your supervised experience hours could be in jeopardy.

Here's why: The Board accepts supervised experience hours if they were earned six or fewer years from the date of application. If your file is abandoned, you will need to re-apply for licensure and examination, and your hours must re-qualify. Files can be abandoned for the following reasons:

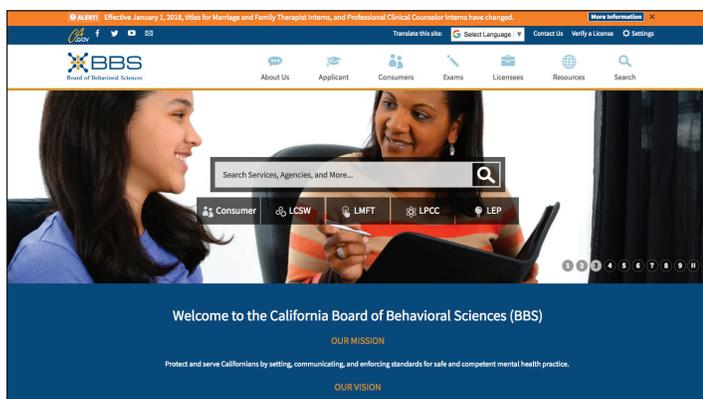
- The applicant does not submit information required to correct the deficiencies specified in a deficiency letter within one year from the date of the deficiency letter.

- An applicant for licensure fails to sit for an exam within one year of being notified of his/her eligibility to take an exam.
- An applicant for licensure does not retake an exam within one year of being notified of failing the exam.
- The applicant fails to pay the initial license fee within one year after notification by the Board of successful completion of examination requirements.

Remember, if you have submitted an application for licensure, it is critically important that you mark your calendar in order to ensure that you test at least once per year. It is also important to submit a complete application and respond to deficiency notices as soon as you can. These important actions will help you avoid having your file become abandoned and losing those hard-earned experience hours.

BOARD LAUNCHES REDESIGNED WEBSITE

On January 2, 2018, the Board launched its redesigned website along with a new logo. The Board aims to provide stakeholders with a streamlined yet thorough online presentation of the Board's programs, as well as connect them with the growing number of online resources and transactions available through BreEZe. Currently, BreEZe provides users the ability to file a complaint, renew a license/registration, change an address of record, and request replacement copies of a license/certificate. These



transactions now process in real time, allowing users to avoid manual processing times of up to six weeks. Stakeholders may also provide feedback to the Board about the redesigned website by visiting www.bbs.ca.gov, clicking the "Contact Us" link in the upper right section, then selecting "Message the Board," and choosing the "Website and General Information" option, which will allow the user to complete and submit an electronic data form to the Board. We look forward to hearing from you.

THE BOARD HAS A NEW LOGO

The Board collaborated with DCA's Office of Publications, Design & Editing to freshen up its logo. We hope you like the new look!



NOTICE TO BBS LICENSEES: UPCOMING FEE INCREASE

All licensees with an expiration date on or after July 1, 2018, will experience a renewal fee increase as a result of the passage of **SB 1188** (Chapter 557, Statutes of 2017). The increased revenue will provide additional funds to the Mental Health Practitioner Education Fund.

Licensees will be affected as follows:

LMFTs: LMFTs currently pay \$10 into the Mental Health Practitioner Education Fund at each renewal. Beginning July 1, 2018, that amount will increase to \$20. Therefore, the total biennial renewal fee will increase from \$140 to \$150.

LCSWs: LCSWs currently pay \$10 into the Mental Health Practitioner Education Fund at each renewal. Beginning July 1, 2018, that amount will increase to \$20. Therefore, the total biennial renewal fee will increase from \$110 to \$120.

LPCCs: LPCCs do not pay into the Mental Health Practitioner Education Fund currently. Beginning July 1, 2018, a \$20 fee will be charged. Therefore, the total biennial renewal fee will increase from \$175 to \$195.

The Mental Health Practitioner Education Fund supports the Licensed Mental Health Services Provider Education Program, which provides competitive educational loan repayment grants that licensed mental health providers may apply for if they provide direct patient care in a publicly funded mental health facility or mental health professional shortage area. Currently, LMFT and LCSW licensees, and marriage and family therapist and clinical social work registrants may apply for the loan repayment grant if they are eligible. Now that LPCCs will be paying into the fund, qualifying LPCCs and associate professional clinical counselor registrants may also apply effective July 1, 2018.

ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

Citation and Fine—An administrative action used for minor violations. Citations and fines are public information but are not considered a disciplinary action.

ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS OCTOBER 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2017			
Name	License Number	Violation Description	Fine Amount
Janet Michele Distefan	LMFT 43062	Failure to Report Conviction	\$500
Michael Coy Dugger	LMFT 51218	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$1,200
Deborah Ann Paster	LMFT 54045	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$1,200
Kristen Baird-Goldman	LMFT 90662	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$200
Brian Ghent Carpenter	LMFT 89905	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$400
Marilee Alice Valine Foley	LMFT 90482	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$400
Carol Wendy Marks	LMFT 90548	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$300
Olga A. Aguilar	LMFT 90845	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$300
Jennifer Lauren Rogge	LMFT 92696	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$300
Nicole Lane Clark	ASW 36707	Failure to Report Conviction	\$500
Jefferey William Kirishian	LEP 2037	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$900

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Ayako Mori	LCSW 68173	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$200
Kristine Galvan	LCSW 24404	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$300
Patrick Warren Holley	LCSW 23275	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$150
Thomas Alexander Seibel	LCSW 21454	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$1,200
Diane Lamphier Ruddell	LCSW 18408	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$200
Eric L. Dabrowski	LCSW 9376	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$200
Margaret Ann Groeninger	LCSW 17763	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$200
Wendy Maron	LMFT 13123	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$1,200
Gary Sahly	LMFT 14265	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$200
Richard Travis	LMFT 14361	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$1,200
Mac Lee Morante	LMFT 20952	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$1,200
Valerie Cross	LMFT 25409	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$350

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Christopher Merris	LMFT 33250	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$900
Clement Osakue	LMFT 36582	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$400
Maggie Locke	LMFT 38859	Failed Continuing Education Audit	\$150
Linda Schwarz	Unlicensed	Unlicensed Practice	\$5,000
Adam James Castro	ASW 68505	Failure to Cooperate in Board Investigation	\$500
Kristina M. Taroni	AMFT 75085	Failure to Report Conviction	\$500

CITATIONS

FINES

EXPLANATION OF DISCIPLINARY TERMS AND ACTIONS

Accusation—Formal statement of charges against the registrant/licensee.

Statement of Issues—Formal statement of reasons why an application for registration/license should be denied.

Effective Date—The date the disciplinary decision goes into effect.

Revoked—The registration/license is canceled, voided, rescinded. The right to practice is terminated.

Revoked, Stayed, Probation—“Stayed” means the revocation is postponed. Professional practice may continue so long as the registrant/licensee complies with specific

probationary terms and conditions. Violation of probation may result in the revocation that was postponed.

Suspension—The registrant/licensee is prohibited from practicing for a specific period of time.

License Surrender—To resolve a disciplinary action, the registrant/licensee has given up his or her registration/license—subject to acceptance by the Board of Behavioral Sciences (Board). The right to practice is terminated.

Citation and Fine—An administrative action used for minor violations. Citations and fines are public information but are not considered to be disciplinary actions.

FORMAL DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Karin Karim Awad

AMFT 72499

Yorba Linda, CA

UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of seven (7) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 10/13/2017

James Christopher Baca

ASW 33804

Los Angeles, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration surrendered.

Effective: 12/6/2017

James Benjamin Bacon

AMFT 102975

Northridge, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of three (3) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 11/1/2017

Jamila Joelle Banks

AMFT 69839

Los Angeles, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and probation continued under terms and conditions ordered under Case No. IM-2012-1387.

Effective: 1/11/2018

Ava Behzoumi

AMFT 75646

Tarzana, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of three (3) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 10/13/2017

Ebony Michelle Bohannon

ASW 80479

Oakland, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration surrendered.

Effective: 12/28/2017

Linsey L. Caruso

ASW 33045

Whittier, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked.

Effective: 11/16/2017

Donelle Marie Conley

ASW 79795

Camarillo, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration surrendered.

Effective: 12/8/17

Lasaro Coreas

ASW 77768

Los Angeles, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration surrendered.

Effective: 12/28/2017

Jeffrey James Craig

AMFT 74290

Santa Ana, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked.

Effective: 11/16/2017

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Quang Tran Dang

LCSW 29370
Santa Ana, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: License revoked.
Effective: 12/28/2017

Wyatt Darling

LMFT 54058
Los Angeles, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: License revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of one (1) year with terms and conditions.
Effective: 1/11/2018

Patricia Eleanor Dunn

LMFT 17291
Los Angeles, CA

UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Action: License revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of three (3) years with terms and conditions.
Effective: 11/16/2017

Daniel S. Eehn

LMFT 25449
Carlsbad, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: License surrendered.
Effective: 11/16/2017

Danielle Marie Everly

AMFT 102573
Anaheim, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of five (5) years with terms and conditions.
Effective: 10/13/2017

Jacqueline Nicole Gall

AMFT 102973
Salinas, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of three (3) years with terms and conditions.
Effective: 11/1/2017

Agustin Ulysses Garcia

AMFT 69668
Anaheim, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of four (4) years with terms and conditions.
Effective: 11/1/2017

Anitba Blo Key Graham

ASW 67339
Lancaster, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of three (3) years with terms and conditions.
Effective: 12/28/2017

Esperanza Saucedo Hernandez

AMFT 97426
Modesto, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of five (5) years with terms and conditions.
Effective: 11/1/2017

Mark Lawrence Hurrell

LMFT 30389
Torrance, CA

UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Action: License revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of three (3) years with terms and conditions.
Effective: 10/13/2017

Jamie Luciana Juarez

LMFT 44290
Glendora, CA

UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Action: License revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of five (5) years with terms and conditions.
Effective: 10/13/2017

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Mary Frances Kemp

LMFT 42667

Westlake Village, CA

UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Action: License surrendered.

Effective: 10/13/2017

Behjat Khani

ASW 32022

Calabasas, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration surrendered.

Effective: 10/13/2017

Paul Dwayne Knaus

ASW 34751

Vallejo, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked.

Effective: 12/28/2017

Kelly Marie Leon

LMFT 53047

Burbank, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: License revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of three (3) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 1/11/2018

Donald Charles Lewis

ASW 80267

Moreno Valley, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of five (5) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 11/1/2017

Ani Anna Marjanian

ASW 81296

Los Angeles, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of five (5) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 1/11/2018

Dean Thomas Mott

LMFT 29170

Chico, CA

UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Action: License revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of three (3) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 10/13/2017

Jacob Joshua Munzaa

ASW 79886

Murrieta, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of three (3) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 10/13/2017

Gail J. O'Connell

AMFT 102974

Valley Village, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of three (3) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 11/1/2017

Cassandra Ruth Pacheco

LCSW 80478

Morro Bay, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: License revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of five (5) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 11/16/2017

Olga Nikolaevna Palmer

LMFT 47624

Danville, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: License revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of four (4) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 1/11/2018

Christian Anthony Perez

LMFT 45697

Boulder Creek, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: License surrendered.

Effective: 12/6/2017

Sabry E. Ramirez

AMFT 89648

San Jose, CA

SUBSTANCE ABUSE & DRUG RELATED OFFENSES

Action: Registration revoked.

Effective: 1/11/2018

Warren Donald Rogers

ASW 61716

La Habra Heights, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and probation continued under terms and conditions ordered under Case No. AP-2013-1454.

Effective: 11/1/2017

Michael John Rubino, III

LMFT 33900

Pleasant Hill, CA

INCOMPETENCE/NEGLIGENCE

Action: License revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on an additional year of probation to make a total period of six (6) years on probation with terms and conditions.

Effective: 1/11/2018

Lonna Sue Sanders

LCSW 25097

Chico, CA

UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Action: License surrendered.

Effective: 12/28/2017

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Stephen Edward Schaefer

LCSW 10551

Fresno, CA

INCOMPETENCE/NEGLIGENCE

Action: License surrendered.

Effective: 12/6/2017

Ling Tang

AMFT 74968

West Covina, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration surrendered.

Effective: 10/13/2017

Tiziana M. Tarquinio

LMFT 43706

San Diego, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: License revoked, revocation stayed, and additional probation terms and conditions added to the probation terms and conditions originally ordered under Case No. 2002016001875.

Effective: 12/28/2017

Corey James Thompson

APCC 4530

Riverside, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of three (3) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 11/1/2017

Sydney Kiko Tomita

AMFT 88400 and APCC 2379

La Jolla, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registrations surrendered.

Effective: 10/13/2017

Laura Julie Allyn Tomlinson

LCSW 28337

Long Beach, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: License revoked, revocation stayed, and placed on probation for a period of five (5) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 1/11/2018

Richard Gene Walsh

LMFT 18120

Encinitas, CA

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

Action: License revoked.

Effective: 11/16/2017

Andrew Warren

ASW 79887

Santee, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration to be issued, then revoked, revocation will be stayed, and placed on probation for a period of four (4) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 10/13/2017

Maurice Jamaul Williams

ASW 34839

Culver City, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration to be issued, then revoked, revocation will be stayed, and placed on probation for a period of three (3) years with terms and conditions.

Effective: 12/28/2017

Kang Xiong

AMFT 82922

Fresno, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Registration revoked.

Effective: 10/13/2017

Scott Richard Yettman

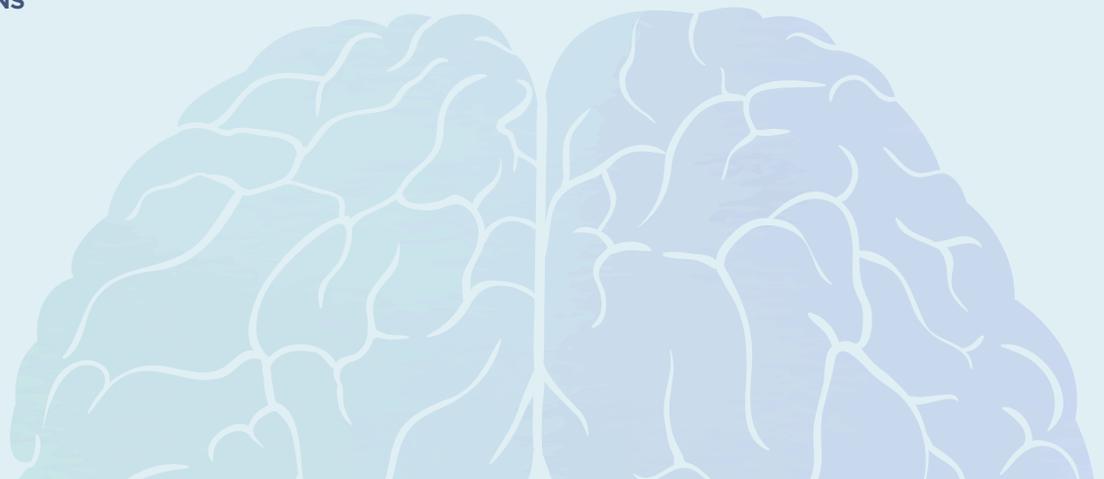
LMFT 38255

Gilroy, CA

CRIMINAL CHARGES/CONVICTIONS

Action: Licensed revoked.

Effective: 1/11/2018

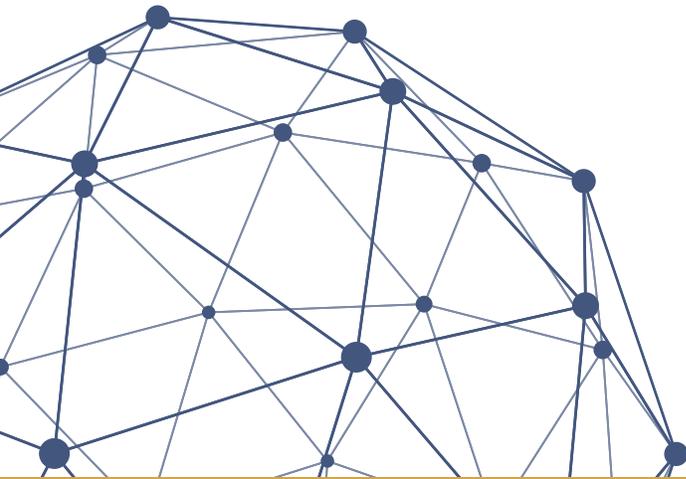




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License Portability

February 23, 2018Sacramento

Board Meetings

February 21–22, 2018Sacramento

May 9–11, 2018Universal City

September 12–14, 2018.....Sacramento

November 28–30, 2018.....To be determined

Exempt Setting Committee

February 23, 2018Sacramento

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April 12, 2018Sacramento

August 24, 2018.....Sacramento

October 19, 2018.....Sacramento

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