



Counselor/Therapist Delineation of Privileges

Name: _____
(Please print)

- _____ Initial privileges (initial appointment)
- _____ Renewal of privileges (*reappointment, on 2 year specialty cycles*)
- _____ Modification of privileges (*request for any additional privileges beyond those previously granted*)

(Choose One)

- _____ Licensed professional Counseling without a Mental Health Services Provider designation (LPC) Core Privileges as defined below
- _____ Licensed professional Counseling with a Mental Health Services Provider designation (LPC/MHSP) Core Privileges as defined below
- _____ Licensed Marital and Family Therapist (LMFT) Core Privileges as defined below

Basic Education for LPC: Master's degree in counseling from an accredited program which includes sixty (60) graduate hours in counseling or a closely related field and completion of a supervised field experience as either a practicum or internship. This field experience must be supervised by an individual with at least a master's degree in counseling, social work, psychology or psychiatry; and complete at least two (2) years of professional experience. Pass the National Counselor Examination and the Tennessee Jurisprudence Exam as administered by the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC).

Core Privileges for LPC: Provide individuals, groups, organizations, or the general public any service involving the application of principles, techniques, methods, or procedures of the counseling profession, including appraisal activities, as defined by the law, counseling, consulting and referral activities" to assist with their personal, social, career or educational development as they pass through life stages.

LPCs may not treat any mental, emotional or adjustment disorder other than marital problems, parent-child problems, child and adolescent antisocial behavior, adult antisocial behavior, other specified family circumstances, other interpersonal problems, phase of life problems, other life circumstance problems, occupational problems, and uncomplicated bereavement. They MAY NOT assess or diagnose under the DSM or treat, counsel, or develop plans of treatment for those with a diagnosis under the DSM. LPCs without the MHSP rider may only provide counseling on normal social and family dysfunctions.

LPCs practice as independent practitioners, however, if an LPC is counseling a person and begins to suspect that the person needs to be diagnosed, they should refer that person to an LPC/MHSP or other professional licensed to treat mental health disorders.

Basic Education for LPC/MHSP: Master's degree in counseling from an accredited program and completion of a supervised field experience as either a practicum or internship. This field experience must be supervised by an individual with at least a master's degree in counseling, social work, psychology or psychiatry.

Also, complete two (2) years of professional experience "in a clinical setting that provides substantial opportunities to diagnose, treat, appraise and assess mental disorders;" and pass the National Counselor Examination and the Tennessee Jurisprudence Exam as administered by the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC); and pass the National Clinical Mental Health Examination as administered by the NBCC.

Core Privileges for LPC/MHSP: May prevent, diagnose, and treat mental, emotional or behavioral disorders and associated disorders which interfere with mental health, as opposed to only those listed in the LPC scope of practice. They may make a diagnosis using methods and techniques which they are trained and educated to use, such as clinical interviews, observation and documentation of behavior demonstrating DSM criteria, and assessments of a non-psychological or projective nature that are also not intelligence tests. They may also perform the general counseling for non-DSM disorders as outlined in the LPC scope of practice.

LPC/MHSPs may not prescribe medication or use "psychological and clinical tests designed to identify and classify abnormal or pathological behavior."

LPC/MHSPs may practice as independent practitioners.

Basic Education for LMFT: Master's or doctoral degree in marriage and family therapy or equivalent field from an accredited program. If the degree is not in marriage and family therapy there is a required body of course work including a course in the DSM and also a supervised practicum/internship which includes experience in the assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of cognitive, affective and behavioral problems or dysfunctions in the current DSM.

Pass the AAMFT Exam; and Pass the Tennessee Jurisprudence Exam for LMFTs as administered Board Staff; and Complete two (2) years of professional experience with an approved AAMFT supervisor.

Core Privileges for LMFT: Practice marital and family therapy. Marital and family therapy involves the professional application of psychotherapeutic family systems theories and techniques in the delivery of services to individuals in the context of family systems theory and practice, couples and families. It includes the diagnosis and treatment of cognitive, affective and behavioral problems and dysfunctions within the context of marital and family systems. They may administer and utilize appropriate assessment instruments which measure and/or diagnose cognitive, affective and behavioral problems and dysfunctions of individuals couples and families as part of the therapy process or in the development of a treatment plan (in the context of marital and family systems).

LMFTs may not perform psychological testing intended to measure and/or diagnose mental illness or prescribe medications.

Request for Privileges Not Listed *(please list the privilege and provide justification as well as any accompanying certifications or case logs)*

Department Chief Recommendation:

I have reviewed the requested clinical privileges and supportive documentation for the above named applicant.

- Recommended as Requested
- Recommended with Modifications (See comments below)
- Not Recommended (See comments below)

Chief Comments: _____

Counselor/Therapist Signature

Date

Supervising Physician Signature

Date

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Chief Signature

Date