

NAC 641B Changes per R110-17

The Legislative Commission approved our request to change our NACs on February 27, 2018. The roll out of selected changes will be as follows –

March 1, 2018

1. Removal of limitation on the number of CEUs that can be earned online.
 - As of March 1, 2018 a licensee may complete their CEUs in any combination of the ways listed in *Sec. 27 - 641B.189*. In short this means that a licensee can do all of their CEUs online if they wish.
 - CEUs approved by NASW (any state or nationally) or ASWB do not need to be submitted for prior approval as they are automatically accepted.

April 1, 2018

1. Reducing the amount of time a licensure application is considered "open."
 - An application for licensure will be considered "open" for a period of six (6) months. An applicant who needs to pass an examination will have six (6) months from the point of application to do so (*Sec. 12 - 641B.105.4*). If an applicant does not complete the licensing process within six (6) months, they will need to reapply (*Sec.16 - 641B.120.4*).
2. Removal of the 1-year grace period for CEUs post-graduation.
 - The CEU grace period has been removed, requiring new licensees to begin the continuing education process upon licensure (*Sec. 23 - 641B.187.3(C)(2)*).
3. Removal of the "Provisional C" licensing option.
4. Clinical Internship Changes – Expanding clinical hours allowed per quarter.
 - Beginning April 1st, licensees in clinical internships can report up to 32 hours per week towards their clinical hours with a quarterly maximum of 416 hours per quarter. This does not change the requirement of 2000 clinical hours, 1000 non-clinical hours and 104 supervision hours, rather it allows for a redistribution of hours (*Sec.20 - 641B.150.3*).
5. Clinical / Independent Internship Changes – Telecommunication options for supervision.
 - Beginning April 1st, supervision of interns may be conducted using telecommunication technologies. Once a month, supervision must be face-to-face, at the intern's site (*Sec. 20 - 641B.160.4*). This does not decrease the requirement for a minimum of one (1) hour of supervision per week, rather it allows for more flexibility about how the supervision may occur. Remember that your supervisor must be licensed and practicing in Nevada.

July 1, 2018

1. Expanding content areas for ethics CEUs and increasing ethics CEUs to four (4) per CEU renewal period for all licensees.
 - The topics that can be used for ethics CEUs has been increased from three items to twenty and all licensees will be required to complete four (4) CEUs in ethics effective July 1, 2018. (*Sec.23 - NAC 641B.187.1(A)(1) and NAC 641B.187.1(B)(1)*).
 - Anyone renewing after July 1, 2018 will need to meet this requirement. As a general reminder, you cannot complete the same CEUs from one renewal cycle to the next (641B.187.5).
2. Development of a professional will for social workers in independent practice.
 - LCSWs and LISWs who are working outside of an agency setting, in independent practice must develop a professional will which must specify the person who will serve as a professional executor should the individual become incapacitated or unable to work or upon his / her death (*Sec. 32 - 641B.205.15*).