



STATE OF NEVADA
BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR SOCIAL WORKERS
4600 Kietzke Lane, Suite C121, Reno, Nevada 89502
775-688-2555

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

Regarding Proposed Regulation Changes – LCB File # R110-17

**Friday, November 3, 2017
10:30am to 1:30pm**

**Mojave Mental Health: Reno
745 W. Moana Lane, Suite 100
Reno, Nevada 89509**

and

**Mojave Mental Health: Las Vegas
4000 E. Charleston Blvd., Suite B-230
Las Vegas, Nevada 89104**

Members of the Board may be attending the Public Workshop at one of the locations as noted above.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll.
2. Public Comment.

Note: No vote may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. (NRS 241.020)

3. Introduction – Open Workshop
 - A. Solicitation of Public Comment Pertaining to Proposed Additions, Amendments and /or Repeal of Regulations Pertaining to Chapter 641B of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). The Purpose of the Workshop is to Solicit Comments From Interested Persons on the Following General Topics that May be Addressed in the Proposed Regulations by the Board of Examiners for Social Workers, LCB File No. R110-17:
 - i. Reducing the amount of time an application is considered open.
 - ii. Removal of “Provisional C” licensure based on legislative changes in endorsement.
 - iii. Expanding clinical hours allowed per quarter for clinical internships.
 - iv. Telecommunication options for supervision of clinical / independent internships.
 - v. Expanding content areas for ethics CEUs and increasing ethics CEUs to 4 per renewal period for all licensees.
 - vi. Removal of the 1-year grace period for CEUs post-graduation.
 - vii. Removal of limitation of the number of CEUs that can be earned online.
 - viii. Changes for Board approved CEU vendors.
 - ix. Development of a professional will for social workers in independent practice.

4. Public Comment

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5. *Adjournment (for possible action).

Please contact Sandy Lowery at (775) 688-2555 for supporting materials regarding the meeting. Supporting materials can be picked up at 4600 Kietzke Lane, Suite C-121, Reno, Nevada 89502. A copy of the proposed regulations may be obtained at the workshop or by contacting the Social Workers, 4600 Kietzke Lane, Suite C-121, Reno, NV 89502. A copy of the proposed regulations are also available for viewing and printing from the Board's website, www.socwork.nv.gov.

We are pleased to make reasonable accommodations for members of the public who are disabled and wish to attend the meeting. If special arrangements for the meeting are necessary, please notify the Board of Examiners for Social Workers, 4600 Kietzke Lane, C121, Reno, Nevada 89502, or call (775) 688-2555, as soon as possible.

The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person. (NRS 241.030)

This notice has been posted at the office of the Board of Examiners for Social Workers; the Board's Web Site www.socwork.nv.gov; the State of Nevada's Public Notice Website <http://notice.nv.gov>; Mojave Mental Health, Reno; and Mojave Adult Clinic, Las Vegas and the following locations:

Washoe County Social Services, 350 S. Center Street, Reno, Nevada
Clark County Social Services, 1600 Pinto Lane, Las Vegas, Nevada
University of Nevada, Las Vegas, School of Social Work, Las Vegas, Nevada
University of Nevada, Reno, School of Social Work, Anasari Business Building, Reno, Nevada

SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

The State of Nevada Board of Examiners for Social Workers (Board) is proposing a regulation change in the form of permanent regulations contained in Nevada Administrative Code (NAC), Chapter 641B. These changes are reflected in LCB (Legislative Counsel Bureau) File Number: **R110-17**. Although the Board is not proposing any increases to, or the addition of, fees for services routinely charged by the Board, the Board is required, pursuant to NRS (Nevada Revised Statute) 233B.0608, to solicit input from Nevada small businesses pertaining to possible economic impact on any proposed regulation changes.

Pursuant to NRS 233B.0382, a small business is defined as, "...a business conducted for profit which employs fewer than 150 full-time or part-time employees." **If you are an owner of a for profit small business, as described in NRS 233B.0382, the Board is requesting you to review the proposed regulation changes in LCB File Number: R110-17.** Please use the following link to access this LCB document –

<http://socwork.nv.gov/uploadedFiles/socworknvgov/content/about/R110-17.pdf>. You can also find a document that provides a narrative explanation of the proposed changes at –

<http://socwork.nv.gov/uploadedFiles/socworknvgov/content/about/NarrativeExplanationforProposedChangesto641BNACs.pdf>

After reviewing the proposed regulation changes, if you believe that the proposed changes will impose a "direct and significant economic burden" upon your small business or directly restrict, "...the formation, operation or expansion..." of your small business, please use the following link to complete our survey online - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QSDTXDF>. The survey has seven short questions and will take less than five minutes to complete.

The Small Business Impact Survey notifications were mailed out on October 16, 2017. To date, the Board has received four (4) completed surveys. The Board will continue to gather information from small business owners until the closing date for the survey of November 30, 2017. The finalized Small Business Impact Statement will be located on the Board website upon completion.

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