

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

**Department of Health
Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners**

License Renewal (LAC 46:LX.609 and 3315)

The Louisiana Department of Health, Louisiana Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners has exercised the emergency provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act, specifically R.S. 49:953(B), to rescind §609.C and §3315.C.1.c relative to the Practice of Mental Health Counseling. The LPCBE finds an imminent danger to the public’s health, safety, and welfare; thereby, requiring the immediate adoption of this rule to respond to the Covid-19 health emergency. The following Emergency Rule, which rescinds §609.C and §3315.C.1.c is effective May 3, 2021, and shall remain in effect for a maximum of 120 days.

Title 46

**PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL
STANDARDS REVISED**

**Part LX. Licensed Professional Counselors Board of
Examiners**

Subpart 1. Licensed Professional Counselors

**Chapter 6. Application, Practice, and Renewal
Requirements for Provisional Licensed
Professional Counselors**

**§609. Renewal Requirements for Provisional Licensed
Professional Counselors**

A. - B. ...

C. The provisional licensee must apply and be approved for licensure within six years from date of approval as a provisional licensed professional counselor. After six years, the licensee will forfeit all supervised experience hours accrued and must reapply for provisional licensure under current requirements and submit recent continuing education hours (CEHs) as part of reapplication.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1101-1123.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners, LR 41:716 (April 2015), amended LR 49:

**Subpart 2. Professional Standards for Licensed
Marriage and Family Therapists and Provisional
Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists**

**Chapter 33. Requirements for Licensure and
Provisional Licensure**

**§3315. Application, Practice, and Renewal
Requirements for Provisional Licensed
Marriage and Family Therapists**

A. - C.1.b. ...

c. The provisional licensee must apply and be approved for licensure within six years from date of approval as a provisional licensed marriage and family therapists. After six years, the licensee will forfeit all supervised experience hours accrued and must reapply for provisional licensure under current requirements and submit recent continuing education hours (CEHs) as part of reapplication.

C.1.d. - F.4. ...

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HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners, LR 29:158 (February 2003), amended LR 29:2787

(December 2003), LR 35:1114 (June 2009), LR 38:1966 (August 2012), LR 39:1806 (July 2013), LR 41:742 (April 2015), amended by the Department of Health, Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners, LR 43:1983 (October 2017), LR 45:1204 (September 2019), LR 47:

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