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Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners

Licensure Committee Proposal Regarding Continuous Updated Editions of the *Diagnostic Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders*

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Applicants who completed a graduate course in the content area of Abnormal Behavior that covered a previous edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders*, as published by the American Psychiatric Association, must either complete a three-credit hour graduate course or six (6) hour comprehensive continuing education course to fulfill the academic requirements outlined in Chapter 6, Section 603 (A)(4)(c) of Board Rules. The course must include the following content:

- (a). emotional and mental disorders experienced by persons of all ages;
- (b). characteristics of disorders;
- (c). common nosologies of emotional and mental disorders utilized within the U.S. health care system;
- (d). the most recent edition of the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders*, as published by the American Psychiatric Association
- (e). preferred treatment approaches for disorders based on research;
- (f). common medications used by psychiatrists to treat disorders;
- (g). working with other health care and mental health care professionals in treating individuals with emotional and mental disorders;

If the continuing education course is applied, the course must be approved by either the American Counseling Association (ACA), its divisions, regions and state branches, Louisiana Counseling Association (LCA), or the National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC). The onus is on the applicant to provide proof that the course encompassed the content outlined above.

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