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**Dr. Randi Mackintosh, Psy.D
Chair**

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Call to Order-Supervised Experience Review Committee

Dr. Randi Mackintosh, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 8:05 a.m. Those present for all or part of the meeting, included the following:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Randi Mackintosh, Psy.D., Chair
Andrew Rubin, Ph.D.
J. Drake Miller, Psy.D.

STAFF PRESENT

Allen Hall, Executive Director
Anna L. Hart King, Program Operations Administrator
Michelle Branch, Regulatory Specialist II

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

Rachel Clark, Esquire

RULES REVIEW AND/OR DEVELOPMENT

Tab 1. 64B19-11.005, F.A.C., Supervised Experience Requirements

During the July 22, 2016 General Business Meeting, the Board asked the Supervised Experience Review Committee to consider revising Paragraph (2)(c) to determine whether any provisions might be added for individuals who have been licensed in good standing in another state for a certain period of time, such as ten (10) years or more.

The Committee was provided with the following proposed rule draft, to include inquiries and additional notes added by staff, for discussion during its August 26, 2016 conference call:

64B19-11.005 Supervised Experience Requirements.

The law requires 2 years or 4,000 hours of supervised experience for licensure. The Board recognizes that the applicant's internship satisfies 1 year or 2,000 of those hours. This rule concerns the remaining 1 year or 2,000 hours.

(1) Definitions. Within the context of this rule, the following definitions apply:

(a) "Association" or "in association with": the supervisory relationship between the supervisor and the psychological resident.

(b) "Psychology Resident or Post-Doctoral Fellow." A psychology resident or post-doctoral fellow is a person who has met Florida's educational requirements for licensure and intends from the outset of the

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supervised experience to meet that part of the supervised experience requirement for licensure which is not part of the person's internship.

(c) "Supervisor." A supervisor is either a licensed Florida psychologist in good standing with the Board, or a doctoral-level psychologist licensed in good standing in another state or United States territory, or Canada providing supervision for licensure in that state or territory. However, where the psychology resident or post-doctoral fellow is on active duty with the armed services of the United States, or employed full time by the United States as a civilian psychology resident or post-doctoral fellow to provide services to the armed services or to a veterans administration facility, the supervisor may be a doctoral-level psychologist licensed in good standing in any state or territory, regardless of where the supervision is conducted.

(d) All applicants for licensure shall use the title psychology resident or post-doctoral fellow until licensed as a psychologist.

Staff Inquiry: *Would the committee like to consider an exception for persons who completed their post-doctoral training outside of Florida with note that the title or description of same should indicate an "in-training" status?*

(e) The psychology resident or post-doctoral fellow shall inform all service users of her or his supervised status and provide the name of the supervising psychologist. Consultation reports, and summaries shall be co-signed by the supervising psychologist. Progress notes may be co-signed at the discretion of the supervision psychologist.

(2) Requirements and Prohibitions. All applicants for licensure must complete at least 1 year or 2,000 hours of post doctoral experience under a supervisor whose supervision comports with subsection (3) of this rule.

(a) There may be no conflict of interest created by the supervisory association and no relationship may exist between the supervisor and the psychological resident except the supervisory association.

(b) A psychology resident or post-doctoral fellow may be supervised by more than one supervisor, at more than one location. If there is more than one supervisor, each supervisor must provide supervision in a manner that comports with subsection (3) of this rule ~~however, then one of the supervisors must be identified as the primary supervisor. The primary supervisor shall be the supervisor who enters into the agreement with the applicant for licensure, for supervision, and who integrates all of the applicant's supervisory experiences.~~

(c) The post-doctoral training must include ~~be a cohesive and integrated training experience which includes the following criteria:~~

1. It averages at least twenty (20) hours a week over ~~no more than one hundred and four (104) weeks. Alternatively, it averages no more than forty (40) hours a week over no more than fifty two (52) weeks;~~
6/24/16 Committee Recommendation: *"It averages at least twenty (20) hours per week for two years, if part-time, or forty (40) hours per week for one year, if full-time."*

2. It requires at least 900 hours in activities related to direct client contact;
6/24/16 Committee Recommendation: *Direct client contact should include face-to-face (in person or via electronic media*) individual or group therapy, in-person assessment or testing.... would not include scoring of tests, notes and preparing treatment plans....*

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**A note that the Board has not addressed the use of telepsychology in the laws or rules. The federal agencies may have options that other settings may not have.*

~~3. It includes an average of at least two (2) hours of clinical supervision each week, at least one (1) hour of which is individual face-to-face supervision.~~

~~**Board Council's Recommendation:** Elimination of this requirement.~~

~~**6/24/16 Committee Recommendation:** The additional hour of clinical supervision may include individual supervision, group supervision, case presentations – in all cases licensed psychologist supervisor must be present.~~

~~**7/22/16 Board Chair's Recommendation:** Consider allowing exception for out-of-state persons who completed post-doctoral experience under other state's requirements.~~

(3) Supervisors' Responsibilities. The Board requires each ~~primary~~ supervisor to perform and to certify that the ~~primary~~ supervisor has:

(a) Entered into an agreement with the applicant for licensure, which details the applicant's obligations and remuneration as well as the supervisor's responsibilities to the applicant;

(b) Determined that the psychology resident or post-doctoral fellow was capable of providing competent and safe psychological service to that client;

(c) Maintained professional responsibility for the psychology resident or post-doctoral fellow's work;

~~(d) Provided two (2) hours of clinical supervision each week, one (1) hour of which was individual, face-to-face supervision;~~

~~**Board Council's Recommendation:** Elimination of this requirement.~~

~~**6/24/16 Committee Recommendation:** The additional hour of clinical supervision may include individual supervision, group supervision, case presentations as long as the licensed psychologist supervisor is present.~~

~~**7/22/16 Board Chair's Recommendation:** Consider allowing exception for out-of-state persons who completed post-doctoral experience under other state's requirements.~~

(e) Prevailed in all professional disagreements with the psychology resident or post-doctoral fellow;

(f) Kept informed of all the services performed by the psychology resident or post-doctoral fellow;

(g) Advised the Board if the supervisor has received any complaints about the psychology resident or post-doctoral fellow or has any reason to suspect that the resident is less than fully ethical, professional, or qualified for licensure.

~~(h) When there is more than one supervisor, pursuant to paragraph (2)(b) above, each the primary supervisor shall provide the Board with a written statement describing the manner in which the training and supervision took place ~~comprised a cohesive and integrated experience.~~~~

~~**6/24/16 Committee Recommendation:** Eliminate this paragraph.~~

(4) Until licensure, an individual who completes post doctoral training residency may continue to practice under supervision so long as the individual does so in the manner prescribed by this rule and so long as the individual has applied for licensure and no final order of denial has been entered in the

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application case before the Board.

Staff Inquiry: *Does the Committee wish to clarify that individuals are allowed to “continue” under supervision in other than the original post-doctoral supervision setting as long as they have an open application and meet all other requirements of this section?*

Rulemaking Authority 490.004(4) FS. Law Implemented 490.005(1) FS. History–New 11-18-92, Amended 7-14-93, Formerly 21U-11.007, Amended 6-14-94, Formerly 61F13-11.007, Amended 1-7-96, Formerly 59AA-11.005, Amended 12-4-97, 8-5-01, 7-27-04, 3-4-10, 8-15-11, 9-24-13, _____.

The Committee reviewed Paragraph (2)(c) 3., which currently requires an average of at least two (2) hours of clinical and one (1) hour of face-to-face supervision per each week of the post-doctoral supervised experience. The Committee discussed the possibility of allowing for only one (1) hour of face-to-face supervision per week for psychologists licensed in good standing in other states for more than 10 years.

During the discussion, there were several references to the Endorsement of 20 Years Application method; however, it was clarified by staff that the rule under discussion only applies to Examination candidates.

After extensive discussion, the committee determined that it would like to leave the requirement of two (2) hours of clinical and one (1) hour of face-to-face supervision per each week as currently required in the rule, with the addition of text indicating the one (1) hour of face-to-face supervision may be conducted in person or by videoconferencing. Draft language will be provided to the Board at the October 7, 2016 General Business Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 a.m.