

DID YOU KNOW - Discipline Requirements

- ❖ **Waivered Psychologists:** Waivered Psychologist is only an allowable discipline for Mental Health (MH) services and cannot render Substance Use Disorder (SUD) services. Waivers must be approved by the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) prior to rendering MH services. DHCS approves waivers up to a maximum of five (5) years and cannot be extended. Failure to obtain licensing by the end of the five (5) year waiver period will result in demotion/termination. Refer to Waiver for Pre-Licensed/ Out-of-State Licensed Ready Psychologists (HR4011) policy, for further information.
- ❖ **Pre-Licensed Clinical Therapists:** Pre-licensed clinical therapists registered with the California Board of Behavioral Sciences (BBS) as a Registered Associate Clinical Social Worker (ACSW), Registered Associate Marriage and Family Therapist (AMFT), or Registered Associate Professional Clinical Counselor (APCC), must obtain licensure within six (6) years of initial registration issuance date with BBS. For pre-licensed clinical therapists who are meeting job expectations and actively pursuing licensure, but will not have obtained licensure by the six (6) year deadline, an extension may be requested and considered. Refer to DBH Registration and Licensure Requirements for Pre-Licensed Providers (ASW, AMFT, APCC) Policy (HR4012) for further details.
- ❖ **Clinical Trainees:** When claiming services for Clinical Trainees (LCSW-CT, LMFT-CT, LPCC-CT, PhD-CT/PsyD-CT, NP-CT, RN-CT), the Clinical Supervisor's National Provider Identifier (NPI) is required on all claims for services rendered. Note, the Clinical Supervisor NPI is captured during the Staff Master process. In addition, a current Staff Master must be on file for the Clinical Trainee's Clinical Supervisor.

Discipline/Taxonomy/Staff Master Questions may be directed to: DBHComplianceStaffMaster@dbh.sbcounty.gov.