



## Behavioral Health

### **PRE-LICENSED MFT/MSW/PCC TRAINEE STATEMENT OF AWARENESS REGARDING NEED TO OBTAIN BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (BBS) REGISTRATION FOR EMPLOYMENT**

San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) offers qualified individuals employment as Pre-Licensed Clinical Therapist Trainees who have not yet received board registration with the California Board of Behavioral Sciences (BBS). It is understood in these cases that employment is conditional on registration being obtained. Additionally, recent college graduates understand that employment is conditional on obtaining board registration no later than one (1) year from the commencement of employment.

Since the Pre-Licensed Clinical Therapist Trainee does not have a registration number prior to DBH employment, the individual understands the timeframe to obtain registration is from the beginning date of employment with DBH. If the Pre-Licensed Clinical Therapist Trainee fails to obtain board registration within one (1) year from the beginning date of employment, the individual understands that employment will be terminated as obtaining board registration is a condition of employment to render services in accordance with Department of Health Care Services requirements.

As a Pre-Licensed Clinical Therapist Trainee, the DBH employee remains in trainee status until board registration is obtained and the Clinic Supervisor confirms the Pre-Licensed Clinical Therapist Trainee is meeting standards. Trainee status is comparable to probationary status and means that the individual's employment can be terminated without the right to appeal. Once the employee obtains board registration, the employee is eligible for promotion to Pre-Licensed Clinical Therapist and will remain in probationary status. The Pre-Licensed Clinical Therapist's employment may be terminated during the probationary period without right to appeal.

I have read and understood the above. In particular, I am aware that I must actively pursue board registration while employed as a Pre-Licensed Clinical Therapist Trainee. If I am a recent college graduate, I understand although my employment will begin before I have registered status with the BBS, that if registration is not obtained within one (1) year from the commencement of employment, my employment will be terminated.

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Printed Name

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Signature

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Date

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Employee