

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0003

Certified addictions practitioners-certification
amendments.

Sponsored by: Joint Labor, Health & Social Services Interim
Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to mental health professions licensing and
2 certification; amending qualifications to practice as a
3 certified addictions practitioner; and providing for an
4 effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 33-38-106(c)(iii) and by creating a
9 new paragraph (vii) is amended to read:

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11 **33-38-106. Requirements for licensure and**
12 **certification.**

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14 (c) Certification under this subsection shall allow
15 practice as a certified addictions practitioner only under

1 the supervision of a qualified clinical supervisor and
2 subject to any other restrictions which may be specified by
3 the board. The board shall grant certification as a
4 certified addictions practitioner to any applicant who
5 files an application upon a form and in the manner
6 prescribed by the board, accompanied by the appropriate fee
7 and who furnishes satisfactory evidence to the board of the
8 following:

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10 (iii) The applicant has received a baccalaureate
11 degree in a human ~~resource~~behavioral discipline from a
12 regionally accredited institution of higher education,
13 which is professional in content and which meets ~~the~~
14 ~~academic and training content standards established~~
15 national standards for accreditation in the field of
16 addiction therapy as accepted by the board, or has received
17 a baccalaureate level equivalency in addiction therapy. In
18 performing its duties under this paragraph, the board shall
19 ~~use~~consult the professional training and experience
20 standards of ~~the~~ appropriate national professional
21 associations ~~as established by the rules and regulations or~~
22 the standards of an appropriate federal agency;

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1 (vii) Notwithstanding paragraphs (iii) and (vi)
2 of this subsection, a person who has received a
3 baccalaureate degree in a human behavioral discipline,
4 other than a degree in addiction therapy, may be granted
5 certification under this subsection after providing to the
6 board satisfactory proof of completion of two thousand
7 (2,000) hours of supervised work experience as a certified
8 addictions practitioner assistant or equivalent in the
9 field of addiction therapy.

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11 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2021.

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