



Mississippi Department of Mental Health
Provider Bulletin
Number IO0063

Subject: Proposed Revisions filed with the Mississippi Secretary of State's Office for Public Comment

Issue Date: July 26, 2016

Effective Date: July 26, 2016

Scope:

DMH-Certified Providers; DMH-Operated Programs

Purpose:

Inform all DMH-Certified Providers and DMH-Operated Programs of the availability on the Mississippi Secretary of State's website for public comment the following document:

- *Mississippi Department of Mental Health (DMH) Division of Professional Licensure and Certification (PLACE) Professional Credentialing Rules and Requirements; Proposed Effective Date - October 1, 2016.*

Subject:

Title 24; Part 3 – Mississippi Department of Mental Health (DMH) Division of Professional Licensure and Certification (PLACE) Professional Credentialing Rules and Requirements document was filed for public comment as a proposed new and amended document; this document promulgates rules and requirements for individuals seeking a DMH professional credential through the DMH Division of PLACE. The proposed document for public comment is a combined form of the existing Title 24 Parts 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 (which presently govern the DMH Community Support Specialist, Addictions Therapist, Mental Health Therapist, Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Therapist and Licensed Administrator credentialing programs, respectively); the primary reasons for the proposed new and amended document are: 1) to combine all rules and requirements for DMH credentialing programs administered through PLACE into one consolidated document; 2) to combine the DMH Addictions Therapist and the DMH Mental Health Therapist programs into a DMH Behavioral Health Therapist program; and, 3) to update the DMH Principles of Ethical and Professional Conduct; **included with the filing is an SOS APA Form 001 Attachment which outlines the changes/updates made to each existing part (3,4,6,7 and 8), outlined by chapter.**

You may utilize the following link to access the proposed document:

<http://www.sos.ms.gov/adminbulletinsearch/default.aspx>

Utilize the drop down menu under “Agency Search” to look up Title 24; Mental Health. Click on the “Search” button. The proposed *Mississippi Department of Mental Health (DMH) Division of Professional Licensure and Certification (PLACE) Professional Credentialing Rules and Requirements* document is System Number 22123.

The public comment period will close on Tuesday, August 16, 2016. Comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. Please direct comments via email to Stephanie Foster at stephanie.foster@dmh.ms.gov.

End of Provider Bulletin