PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE COMMISSION ON PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION

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NAC 391.223 Endorsement to provide audiological services; exception. (NRS 391.019)

- 1. To receive an endorsement to provide audiological services to pupils who are at least 3 years of age but less than 22 years of age, a person must hold a:
- (a) Certificate of Clinical Competence as an audiologist issued by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association;
- (b) Master's degree in audiology from an institution accredited by a regional accrediting association; or
- (c) Master's degree in any subject from an institution accredited by a regional accrediting association and have:
- (1) Successfully completed at least 300 hours of supervised clinical experience in audiology or speech-language pathology, or both; and
- (2) Earned at least 60 credits in courses related to the normal development, function and use of speech and language or hearing, including, but not limited to, the management of disorders of speech or hearing and the legal, professional and ethical practices of audiology or speech-language pathology. At least 24 credits, not including credits earned for a thesis or dissertation, must have been earned in courses directly relating to audiology or speech-language pathology.
- 2. A person is not required to have an endorsement issued pursuant to subsection 1 to provide audiological services to pupils who are at least 3 years of age but less than 22 years of age.
- 3. A licensee holding only a special license with an endorsement to provide audiological services is exempt from the requirements of NAC 391.036 and NAC 391.065.

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in <u>NAC 391.307</u> and this section, to receive an endorsement to serve as a school nurse, a person must hold a valid license issued by the State Board of Nursing to practice as a registered nurse and must:
- (a) Submit evidence of having received a baccalaureate degree and having completed an educational program that:
 - (1) Grants postgraduate certificates in school nursing; and
 - (2) Is under a regionally accredited institution of higher learning;
- (b) Hold a degree in nursing earned under a college or university baccalaureate program in nursing accredited by the National League for Nursing or the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education;
 - (c) Submit evidence of having received:
 - (1) A baccalaureate degree; and
- (2) Certification as a school nurse from the National Board for Certification of School Nurses; or
 - (d) Hold a baccalaureate degree and certification as a:
 - (1) Family nursing practitioner;
 - (2) Pediatric nursing practitioner;
 - (3) School nursing practitioner; or
 - (4) School nursing generalist,

Ê from the American Nurses Association or from the State Board of Nursing.

- 2. The Superintendent of Public Instruction may grant an endorsement to a person who is a registered nurse and holds a baccalaureate degree from a program in nursing that is not accredited by the National League for Nursing or the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education if, in his or her discretion, the courses offered and requirements for a diploma from the unaccredited program are comparable with an accredited program.
- 3. To renew an endorsement to serve as a school nurse, the holder must continue to hold a valid license issued by the State Board of Nursing.
- 4. A person who holds only a special license with an endorsement as a school nurse is exempt from the provisions of NAC 391.036 *and NAC 391.065*.

NAC 391.320 Endorsement to serve as social worker. (NRS 385.080, 391.019)

- 1. To receive an endorsement to serve as a social worker, a person must:
- (a) Hold a current license issued by the Board of Examiners for Social Workers or hold a current equivalent license issued by a similar agency in another state and agree to obtain a license issued by the Board of Examiners for Social Workers within 1 year after the date on which the person applied for an endorsement; and
- (b) Have completed an educational program for social workers in schools which includes a practicum in schools or the equivalent professional or practicum experience providing services directly to children of school age, both individually and in groups, and to their families.
- 2. In addition to the requirements listed in subsection 1, a person who wishes to receive such an endorsement must:
- (a) Have completed a program to serve as a social worker in schools that is approved by the Board;
- (b) Hold the credential issued by the National Association of Social Workers certifying that the holder is a specialist in social work in schools; or
- (c) Hold a master's degree in social work from a college or university that has been accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.
- 3. An endorsement to serve as a social worker held by a person who is not licensed in this State expires 1 year after the date on which the holder applied for the endorsement if the holder has not obtained a license issued by the Board of Examiners for Social Workers by that date.
- 4. A licensee holding only a special license with an endorsement as a social worker is exempt from the requirements of NAC 391.036 and NAC 391.065.
 - [4] 5. To renew the endorsement, the holder must:

- (a) Continue to hold a valid license issued by the Board of Examiners for Social Workers; and
- (b) Each time that the license is renewed by the Board of Examiners for Social Workers, deliver a copy of the license to the Office of Educator Licensure within the Department.