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These regulations are regarding the practice of psychology and apply to psychologists when assuming the roles of Custody Evaluator or Parenting Coordinator.

Standards for Custody Evaluators:

Prior to fulfilling the role of a custody evaluator pursuant to a court order or other similar directive and/or in order to continue to service in the role of a custody evaluator, a psychologist shall ensure his/her competence by:

- 1) Obtaining a minimum of 40 hours of training in conducting custody evaluations to include the following topics: general components and standards of a custody evaluation, domestic violence issues, substance abuse issues, relocation issues, parental alienation and enmeshment, child development, sexual abuse, and ethical standards for custody evaluations.
- 2) Demonstrating and/or reviewing his/her knowledge of Nevada law as it relates to child custody issues.
- 3) Obtaining 16 CEU's per licensing cycle specific to custody evaluations.

Standards for Parenting Coordinators:

Prior to fulfilling the role of a parenting coordinator pursuant to a court order or other similar directive and/or in order to continue to service in the role of a parenting coordinator, a psychologist shall ensure his/her competence by:

- 1) Obtaining a minimum of 12 hours of training specific to the practice of parenting coordination to include the following topics: role and functions of a parenting coordinator, dealing with high conflict families, domestic violence issues, substance abuse issues, coparenting and communication issues, limitations of parenting coordination, arbitration procedures, relationships with the courts and attorneys, and legal and ethical issues.
- 2) Demonstrating and/or reviewing his/her knowledge of Nevada law as it relates to parenting coordination.
- 3) Obtaining 15 CEU's per licensing cycle specific to forensic services in psychology.