

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

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NAC 391.XXX License or endorsement to serve as a school mental health professional.

1. To receive a license or endorsement to serve as a school mental health professional, a person must:

(a) Hold a current license issued by a State of Nevada board or agency which is empowered to license mental health professionals in any of the areas of specialization listed in part (c) of this subsection and which appears on a list of authorized agencies maintained by the Department, or hold a current equivalent license issued by a similar agency in another state and agree to obtain such a license within this State within one year after the date on which the person applied for the endorsement; and

(b) Have completed an educational program for mental health professionals 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.

(c) An individual applying for a license pursuant to this section must be licensed in one of the following areas of specialization:

- (1) Licensed Clinical Social Worker;
- (2) Social Worker;
- (3) Social Worker Intern with Supervision;
- (4) Clinical Psychologist;
- (5) Psychologist Intern with Supervision;
- (6) Marriage and Family Therapist;
- (7) Mental Health Counselor;
- (8) Community Health Worker;
- (9) School-Based Health Centers; or
- (10) Licensed nurse.

2. In addition to the requirements listed in subsection 1, a person who wishes to receive such a license or endorsement must:

- (a) Have completed a program to serve as a mental health worker in schools that is approved by the Commission on Professional Standards in Education;
- (b) Hold the credential issued by a national organization for mental health professionals certifying that the holder is a specialist in school mental health; or
- (c) Hold a master's degree or more advanced degree from an accredited college or university in a field related to school mental health.

3. A license or endorsement to serve as a school mental health professional held by a person who is not licensed in this State pursuant to subsection 1 expires one year after the date on which the holder applied for the endorsement if the holder has not obtained such a license by that date.

4. To renew the license or endorsement, the holder must:

- (a) Continue to hold a current license pursuant to subsection 1; and
- (b) Show proof to the Department of such licensure.

5. A licensee holding only a special license with an endorsement as a school mental health professional is exempt from the requirements of NAC 391.036 and NAC 391.065.