

## **154D.1 Definitions.**

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "*Board*" means the board of behavioral science established in chapter 147.
2. "*Licensed marital and family therapist*" means a person licensed to practice marital and family therapy under chapter 147 and this chapter.
3. "*Licensed mental health counselor*" means a person licensed to practice mental health counseling under chapter 147 and this chapter.
4. "*Licensee*" includes a licensed marital and family therapist and a licensed mental health counselor.
5. "*Marital and family therapy*" means the application of counseling techniques in the assessment and resolution of emotional conditions. This includes the alteration and establishment of attitudes and patterns of interaction relative to marriage, family life, and interpersonal relationships.
6. "*Mental health counseling*" means the provision of counseling services involving assessment, referral, consultation, and the application of counseling, human development principles, learning theory, group dynamics, and the etiology of maladjustment and dysfunctional behavior to individuals, families, and groups.

91 Acts, ch 229, §6; 2007 Acts, ch 10, §149