

481—891.8(154D) Licensure by endorsement for mental health counselors and marital and family therapists. An applicant who has been a licensed marriage and family therapist or mental health counselor under the laws of another jurisdiction may file an application for licensure by endorsement with the board office.

891.8(1) The board may receive by endorsement any applicant from the District of Columbia or another state, territory, province or foreign country who:

a. Meets the requirements of rule 481—891.2(154D); and

b. Provides verification of license from the jurisdiction in which the applicant has been most recently licensed, sent directly from the jurisdiction to the board office. The applicant must also disclose any public or pending complaints against the applicant in any other jurisdiction. Web-based verification may be substituted for verification direct from the jurisdiction's board office if the verification provides:

- (1) Licensee's name;
- (2) Date of initial licensure;
- (3) Current licensure status; and
- (4) Any disciplinary action taken against the license.

891.8(2) In lieu of meeting the requirements of subrules 891.2(4) and 891.2(5), applicants who meet the qualifications below may instead submit documentation demonstrating how each of the qualifications below is satisfied:

a. The applicant possesses a master's degree or higher in mental health counseling or marital and family therapy or an equivalent counseling-related field; and

b. The applicant does not have any past or pending disciplinary action from any state licensing boards related to any mental health counseling or marital and family therapy license currently or previously held by the applicant.

891.8(3) A person who is licensed in another jurisdiction but who is unable to satisfy the requirements for licensure by endorsement may apply for licensure by verification, if eligible, in accordance with rule 481—501.1(272C).

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