

641—155.18(125,135) Deemed status.

155.18(1) Accreditation. The department will approve a license under deemed status for an applicant accredited by a recognized national accreditation body when it determines that the accreditation is for the same licensed program services as those addressed by these rules and when such accreditation is consistent with these rules.

a. An applicant for a license under deemed status shall submit a copy of the entire accreditation body survey or inspection report, certificate of accreditation, accreditation conditions, and corrective action requirements and plans with the applicant's application.

b. The department may review and accept an accreditation body's survey or inspection report, certificate of accreditation, and conditions or corrective action plans as meeting the requirements for inspection for those licensed program services described in these rules.

c. An applicant for a license under deemed status shall be licensed only for licensed program services that are described in these rules.

d. A program licensed under deemed status shall be licensed for the same period of time as that for which the program is accredited, up to three years.

155.18(2) National accreditation bodies. The national accreditation bodies recognized for the purposes of licensure under deemed status are:

a. The Joint Commission.

b. The Council on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF).

c. The Council on Accreditation (COA).

d. The American Osteopathic Association (AOA).

155.18(3) Credentials and expectations of accreditation bodies. The accreditation credentials of an accreditation body shall specify the types of organizations, programs and services the body accredits.

155.18(4) Responsibilities of programs licensed under deemed status.

a. A program licensed under deemed status shall meet all requirements of these rules and all applicable laws and regulations.

b. A program licensed under deemed status may submit an application for licensure of licensed program services covered by these rules that are not covered by the accreditation.

155.18(5) Rights and responsibilities of department. The department retains the following responsibilities and rights for deemed status applicants and licensees:

a. The department may inspect the applicant or licensee.

b. The department will investigate complaints in accordance with these rules and recommend and require corrective action or other sanctions. Complaints, findings, and required corrective action may be reported to the accreditation body.

c. The department will review and act upon a license under deemed status when complaints have been founded, when the national accreditation body identifies noncompliance with accreditation, when accreditation expires without renewal, or when accreditation is sanctioned, modified, terminated, withdrawn, suspended or revoked.

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