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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2018
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (6 CE hours)

“Legal & Ethical Issues in Supervision: Current Standards and Prospective Changes”

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Presented by CAMFT Attorneys Michael Griffin, JD, LCSW and Anastasia Johnson, JD
CAMFT Fall Symposium
Saturday, November 9, 2018 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

This workshop is intended to provide an overview of legal and ethical standards which apply to the supervision of pre-licensed marriage and family therapists, clinical social workers and professional clinical counselors. The course will focus on various statutory changes which go into effect on January 1, 2019, pursuant to the passage of AB 93. We will also discuss various problems that are commonly encountered by supervisors.

Please note: Additional regulatory changes concerning the topic of supervision are anticipated in the future. At the time of this workshop, it is not known exactly when such changes will occur. There will be some discussion during the workshop concerning changes that are anticipated, and CAMFT will offer further information regarding this topic as it becomes available.

This workshop is six hours in length. It satisfies the six-hour continuing education requirement for supervisors of aspiring marriage and family therapists, and professional clinical counselors. For individuals who plan to supervise associate clinical social workers, the workshop provides six of the fifteen required hours of continuing education in supervision. The workshop may also be used to fulfill a portion of the requirements for becoming a CAMFT certified supervisor, if that is your intent.

The workshop provides an overview of requirements for licensure as a marriage and family therapist, clinical social worker and professional clinical counselor. There will also be some discussion of selected legal and ethical issues that are relevant to supervision of pre-licensed therapists, such as: Scope of competency, scope of practice, standard of care, advertising and employment-related issues, and ethical standards applicable to supervisors and supervisees, and other topics. In our experience, no two workshops are identical. The specific content that is discussed, and the amount of time that is allotted to a particular issue may vary, depending on the needs of attendees, and other factors. If time permits, it may be possible to discuss additional legal and ethical issues that are relevant to the topic of supervision.

In order to cover a wide-range of issues it will be necessary to review a large number of legal and ethical standards. However, it is not possible to address every law or ethical standard that may apply to a topic. When appropriate, examples of treatment scenarios, and/or complaints to licensing boards and ethics committees may be used to illustrate the issues being discussed.

The information provided in this workshop, and in the accompanying handouts and related materials is intended for educational purposes only. It should not be considered to be legal advice, or a substitute for consultation with a qualified professional regarding such content. It is important to remember that legal and ethical standards change over time.

Learning objectives

Upon completion of this workshop, attendees will be able to:

1. Identify 2 or more ways to locate relevant California statutes and regulations that apply to supervision of pre-licensed marriage and family therapists, clinical social workers and professional clinical counselors.
2. Identify and describe 2 or more relevant ethical standards which concern advertising and required disclosures by pre-licensed therapists.
3. Identify and describe 2 or more California statutes or regulations which concern the employment of pre-licensed marriage and family therapists, clinical social workers and professional clinical counselors.
4. Identify 2 or more changes to California law which become effective on January 1, 2019 as the result of AB93.

The morning session will focus on a review of the statutory changes resulting from passage of AB 93. Additional relevant topics and examples of common scenarios will also be discussed.

Morning Session

- Requirements for Supervisors
 - Supervision of Marriage and Family Therapy Trainees and Associates
 - Supervision of Professional Clinical Counselor Trainees and Associates
 - Supervision of Associate Clinical Social Workers
- Anticipated Regulatory Changes Concerning Supervision
- Standard of Care
- Scope of Practice
- Scope of Competency
- Supervisor Record Keeping
- Managing Challenging Scenarios (participatory)

Afternoon Session

- The Licensing Process
 - MFT/LPCC/LCSW
- The Board of Behavioral Sciences (BBS)
- Common Issues and Pitfalls
- The Law and You
- Advertising
- Employment Issues
- Ethics: Supervisor, Student, Supervisee Responsibilities
- Supervisory Case Examples