

1           AN ACT concerning regulation.

2           **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3           **represented in the General Assembly:**

4           Section 5. The Clinical Psychologist Licensing Act is  
5           amended by changing Section 10 as follows:

6           (225 ILCS 15/10) (from Ch. 111, par. 5360)

7           (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2027)

8           Sec. 10. Qualifications of applicants; examination. The  
9           Department, except as provided in Section 11 of this Act,  
10           shall issue a license as a clinical psychologist to any person  
11           who pays an application fee and who:

12           (1) is at least 21 years of age;

13           (2) (blank);

14           (3) is a graduate of a doctoral program from a  
15           college, university or school accredited by the regional  
16           accrediting body which is recognized by the Council on  
17           Postsecondary Accreditation and is in the jurisdiction in  
18           which it is located for purposes of granting the doctoral  
19           degree and either:

20           (a) is a graduate of a doctoral program in  
21           clinical, school or counseling psychology either  
22           accredited by the American Psychological Association  
23           or the Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation

1                   System or approved by the Council for the National  
2                   Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology or  
3                   other national board recognized by the Board, and has  
4                   completed 2 years of satisfactory supervised  
5                   experience in clinical, school or counseling  
6                   psychology at least one of which is an internship and  
7                   one of which is postdoctoral; or

8                   (b) holds a doctoral degree from a recognized  
9                   college, university or school which the Department,  
10                  through its rules, establishes as being equivalent to  
11                  a clinical, school or counseling psychology program  
12                  and has completed at least one course in each of the  
13                  following 7 content areas, in actual attendance at a  
14                  recognized university, college or school whose  
15                  graduates would be eligible for licensure under this  
16                  Act: scientific and professional ethics, biological  
17                  basis of behavior, cognitive-affective basis of  
18                  behavior, social basis of behavior, individual  
19                  differences, assessment, and treatment modalities; and  
20                  has completed 2 years of satisfactory supervised  
21                  experience in clinical, school or counseling  
22                  psychology, at least one of which is an internship and  
23                  one of which is postdoctoral; or

24                  (c) holds a doctorate in psychology or in a  
25                  program whose content is psychological in nature from  
26                  an accredited college, university or school not

1 meeting the standards of paragraph (a) or (b) of this  
2 subsection (3) and provides evidence of the completion  
3 of at least one course in each of the 7 content areas  
4 specified in paragraph (b) in actual attendance at a  
5 recognized university, school or college whose  
6 graduate would be eligible for licensure under this  
7 Act; and has completed an appropriate practicum, an  
8 internship or equivalent supervised clinical  
9 experience in an organized mental health care setting  
10 and 2 years of satisfactory supervised experience in  
11 clinical or counseling psychology, at least one of  
12 which is postdoctoral; and

13 (4) has passed an examination authorized by the  
14 Department to determine his or her fitness to receive a  
15 license.

16 Applicants for licensure under subsection (3) (a) and (3) (b) of  
17 this Section shall complete 2 years of satisfactory supervised  
18 experience, at least one of which shall be an internship and  
19 one of which shall be postdoctoral. A year of supervised  
20 experience is defined as not less than 1,750 hours obtained in  
21 not less than 50 weeks based on 35 hours per week for full-time  
22 work experience. Full-time supervised experience will be  
23 counted only if it is obtained in a single setting for a  
24 minimum of 6 months. Part-time and internship experience will  
25 be counted only if it is 18 hours or more a week for a minimum  
26 of 9 months and is in a single setting. The internship

1       experience required under subsection (3) (a) and (3) (b) of this  
2       Section shall be a minimum of 1,750 hours completed within 24  
3       months.

4           Programs leading to a doctoral degree require minimally  
5       the equivalent of 3 full-time academic years of graduate  
6       study, at least 2 years of which are at the institution from  
7       which the degree is granted, and of which at least one year or  
8       its equivalent is in residence at the institution from which  
9       the degree is granted. Course work for which credit is given  
10      for life experience will not be accepted by the Department as  
11      fulfilling the educational requirements for licensure.  
12      Residence requires interaction with psychology faculty and  
13      other matriculated psychology students; one year's residence  
14      or its equivalent is defined as follows:

15           (a) 30 semester hours taken on a full-time or  
16       part-time basis at the institution accumulated within 24  
17       months, or

18           (b) a minimum of 350 hours of student-faculty contact  
19       involving face-to-face individual or group courses or  
20       seminars accumulated within 18 months. Such educational  
21       meetings must include both faculty-student and  
22       student-student interaction, be conducted by the  
23       psychology faculty of the institution at least 90% of the  
24       time, be fully documented by the institution, and relate  
25       substantially to the program and course content. The  
26       institution must clearly document how the applicant's

1        performance is assessed and evaluated.

2        To meet the requirement for satisfactory supervised  
3        experience, under this Act the supervision must be performed  
4        pursuant to the order, control and full professional  
5        responsibility of a licensed clinical psychologist. The  
6        clients shall be the clients of the agency or supervisor  
7        rather than the supervisee. Supervised experience in which the  
8        supervisor receives monetary payment or other consideration  
9        from the supervisee or in which the supervisor is hired by or  
10       otherwise employed by the supervisee shall not be accepted by  
11       the Department as fulfilling the practicum, internship or 2  
12       years of satisfactory supervised experience requirements for  
13       licensure.

14       Examinations for applicants under this Act shall be held  
15       at the direction of the Department from time to time but not  
16       less than once each year. The scope and form of the examination  
17       shall be determined by the Department.

18       Each applicant for a license who possesses the necessary  
19       qualifications therefor shall be examined by the Department,  
20       and shall pay to the Department, or its designated testing  
21       service, the required examination fee, which fee shall not be  
22       refunded by the Department. Beginning one year after the  
23       effective date of this amendatory Act of the 104th General  
24       Assembly, the required examination may be taken upon  
25       graduation and before completion of a postdoctoral supervised  
26       experience in clinical, school, or counseling psychology.

1       Applicants have 3 years from the date of application to  
2 complete the application process. If the process has not been  
3 completed in 3 years, the application shall be denied, the fee  
4 shall be forfeited, and the applicant must reapply and meet  
5 the requirements in effect at the time of reapplication.

6       An applicant has one year from the date of notification of  
7 successful completion of the examination to apply to the  
8 Department for a license. If an applicant fails to apply  
9 within one year, the applicant shall be required to take and  
10 pass the examination again unless licensed in another  
11 jurisdiction of the United States within one year of passing  
12 the examination.

13      (Source: P.A. 98-849, eff. 1-1-15; 99-572, eff. 7-15-16.)