

REGULATORY IMPACT ANALYSIS AND TIERING STATEMENT

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(1) Provide a brief summary of:

- (a) What this administrative regulation does: This administrative regulation establishes definitions for 201 KAR Chapter 32.
- (b) The necessity of this administrative regulation: This administrative regulation is necessary because it provides clear definitions to promote consistency throughout the chapter.
- (c) How this administrative regulation conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes: This administrative regulation amendment conforms with the Board's authorizing statute in KRS 335.320(9) to promulgate administrative regulations to carry out the provisions of KRS Chapter 335.300 to 335.399.
- (d) How this administrative regulation currently assists or will assist in the effective administration of the statutes: This administrative regulation assists in the effective administration of the statute by setting forth clear definitions to promote consistency throughout the chapter.

(2) If this is an amendment to an existing administrative regulation, provide a brief summary of:

- (a) How the amendment will change this existing administrative regulation: This amendment clarifies terms used within the statutes and regulations governing Marriage and Family Therapy, aligns the terminology in this regulation with its use in other regulations, and defines a new term in KRS 335.337.
- (b) The necessity of the amendment to this administrative regulation: This amendment is necessary to clarify terms used within the statutes and regulations governing Marriage and Family Therapy, to align the terminology in this regulation with its use in other regulations, and to define a new term in KRS 335.337.
- (c) How the amendment conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes: This administrative regulation amendment conforms with the Board's authorizing statute in KRS 335.320(9) to promulgate administrative regulations to carry out the provisions of KRS Chapter 335.300 to 335.399.
- (d) How the amendment will assist in the effective administration of the statutes: This amendment will assist in the effective administration of the statutes by providing clear and consistent definitions for use by the licensees and the Board.

(3) Does this administrative regulation or amendment implement legislation from the previous five years? Yes. See KRS 335.337 Created 2026 Ky. Acts Ch. 79, effective July 15, 2026.

(4) List the type and number of individuals, businesses, organizations, or state and local governments affected by this administrative regulation: This administrative regulation will affect approximately 916 licensees of the Board.

(5) Provide an analysis of how the entities identified in question (4) will be impacted by either the implementation of this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change, if it is an amendment, including:

(a) List the actions that each of the regulated entities identified in question (4) will have to take to comply with this administrative regulation or amendment: No action will need to be taken by the licensees to comply with this amendment.

(b) In complying with this administrative regulation or amendment, how much will it cost each of the entities identified in question (4): There will be no cost for compliance with this amendment.

(c) As a result of compliance, what benefits will accrue to the entities identified in question (4): The licensees will have a clearer understanding of the terms used in the governance of their license.

(6) Provide an estimate of how much it will cost the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation:

(a) Initially: There will be no initial cost to the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation.

(b) On a continuing basis: There will be no continuing cost to the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation.

(7) What is the source of the funding to be used for the implementation and enforcement of this administrative regulation: The Board's operations are funded by fees paid by license holders and applicants.

(8) Provide an assessment of whether an increase in fees or funding will be necessary to implement this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change if it is an amendment: No increase in fees or funding will be necessary to implement this change to this administrative regulation.

(9) State whether or not this administrative regulation establishes any fees or directly or indirectly increases any fees: This administrative regulation does not establish any new fees or increase any fees paid to the Board.

(10) TIERING: Is tiering applied? (Explain why or why not) Tiering is not applied because this regulation applies to all applicants equally.