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VARIANCE

Pursuant to the authority granted to me in the provisions of 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1375.230, I hereby grant a Variance on behalf of Applicants for licensure as Clinical Professional Counselors who must complete satisfactory supervised experience prior to obtaining a license according to the provisions of 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1375.130, which requires Applicants to receive in-person supervision as part of their professional counseling experience requirements.

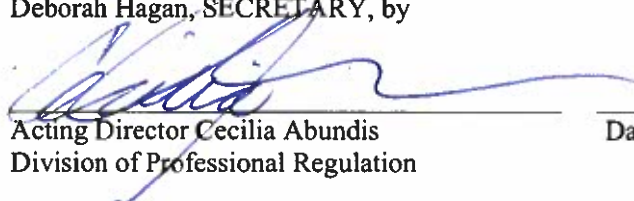
This Variance is granted based upon the particular facts surrounding the Illinois Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation issued on March 9, 2020.


The purpose of this Variance is to allow Applicants for licensure as Clinical Professional Counselors to complete their live face-to-face supervision using real-time video or audio technology, as appropriate, rather than on-site. Remote supervision may be performed telephonically or using video technology tools including, but not limited to, video conferencing, Skype, Zoom, and Google Hangout. When an Applicant is providing services to a client, the supervisor should be available and prepared to offer assistance as needed. This Variance is hereby granted and expires July 31, 2020. This Variance is for supervision that occurs between the effective date and July 31, 2020.

Notwithstanding the aforementioned Rule, this Variance is in no way intended to waive or modify any statute, rule, or regulation concerning the supervision of or practice of those pursuing a clinical professional counselor license. Applicants shall be required to meet the remaining requirements for licensure contained in the Professional Counselor and Clinical Professional Counselor Licensing Act and Administrative Rules before receiving a license.

I have determined that the provision from which this Variance is granted is not statutorily mandated; no party will be injured by the granting of this Variance; and the rules from which this Variance is granted would, in this particular case, be unreasonable.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION of the State of Illinois
 Deborah Hagan, SECRETARY, by

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 Acting Director Cecilia Abundis
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 Date