

**OHIO BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT JULY 30, 2015**

**1) Rule clean-up to align with HB64 statutory changes**

**4732-9-01 Requirements for admission to the examination for a psychologist license.**

...For applicants seeking admission to examination under division (B)(3)(b) or (B)(3)(~~(c)~~) of section 4732.10 of the Revised Code, at least one year of the two years of supervised experience shall be post-doctoral. In addition, graduates of doctoral programs accredited by one of the entities listed in divisions (B)(3)(a)(i) to (B)(3)(a)(iv) of section 4732.10 of the Revised Code within two years of when the applicant was awarded the doctoral degree shall be considered graduates of an accredited or designated program. With regard to such requirements, the board hereby further prescribes that:

- (A) For persons seeking admission to examination under division (B)(3)(~~(b)~~) of section 4732.10 of the Revised Code, the two years of supervised professional experience in psychological work of a type satisfactory to the board, at least one year of which shall be subsequent to attainment of the doctoral degree required by this rule, shall comply with all of the following requirements:...

**4732-9-01.2 Requirements for degrees earned from institutions outside of the U.S.**

A doctoral degree in psychology or any other field from an educational institution outside the United States shall be evaluated for equivalence to a doctoral degree in psychology from a fully accredited educational institution in the United States. The board prescribes that for any degree earned from an institution outside of the U.S.:

- ...(C) Prior to admission to examination, applicants judged to have a qualifying degree pursuant to this rule shall evidence compliance with the same training and experience requirements prescribed in paragraph (~~(H)~~(A)) of rule 4732-9-01 of the Administrative Code, including at least two years of supervised experience of a type satisfactory to the board.

**4732-9-03 Computation and attainment of experience.**

- (A) When the application pertains to licensure as a psychologist under division (B)(3)(~~(b)~~) of section 4732.10 of the Revised Code, each year of supervised professional experience in psychological work of a type satisfactory to the board, as described in paragraph (~~(H)~~(A)) of rule 4732-9-01 of the Administrative Code, shall include at least eighteen hundred

hours of work within one calendar year or at least eighteen hundred hours of part-time work within a period not to exceed three calendar years. In no event shall any applicant under division (B) of section 4732.10 of the Revised Code receive credit for more than one year of such supervised professional training experience for activities performed over any twelve-month period, with forty hours per week being the maximum credited...

**2) COBA rule changes to align with statute (the statute does not reference educational or experience requirements, but instead focuses on the BCBA).**

**4783-1-01 Application for certification.**

- (A) All applicants for certification as a certified Ohio behavior analyst shall file an application with the board, under oath and duly notarized, on a form prescribed by the board and accompanied by the appropriate fee.
- (B) In accord with division (A) of section 4783.04 of the Revised Code, all applications for certification shall include:
  - (1) Written verification from the “Behavior Analyst Certification Board” or its successor organization that the person holds a current, valid certificate as a board certified behavior analyst or determination by the board that the applicant has met the equivalent requirements pursuant to criteria set forth in paragraph (B)(1)(a) of rule 4783-4-01 of the Administrative Code;
  - ~~(2) The grade transcript, bearing official seal, sent directly to the board office by each graduate university or college attended by the applicant;~~
  - ~~(3) Notarized statements from those persons who have supervised the applicant’s professional work experience in applied behavior analysis shall be submitted on a form prescribed by the board, incorporated herein by reference as form PSY COBA-SUP-1 and available on the board’s website [www.psychology.ohio.gov](http://www.psychology.ohio.gov). Said statements shall set forth the supervisor’s own qualifications, familiarity with the applicant, the extent of the supervision over such applicant, the inclusive dates and number of hours of work supervised, the number of individual and group supervision hours weekly, and an evaluation of the applicant’s performance;~~
  - ~~(4)~~ (2) A completed, notarized application on a form prescribed by the board, incorporated herein by reference as form PSY COBA-APP-1 and available on the board’s website [www.psychology.ohio.gov](http://www.psychology.ohio.gov).
  - ~~(5)~~ (3) Not less than three letters of reference from individuals substantially familiar with the applicant’s professional conduct, competencies, and personal character. The letters shall be sent directly to the board office and shall come from:...

### 3) Rule clean-up from HB83 and HB64

#### 4732-3-01 Definitions.

(E) "Accredited or recognized by a regional or national accrediting agency" or "accredited educational institution" means that an educational institution meets prescribed standards that are necessary ~~but not necessarily sufficient~~ to qualify its graduates for consideration for licensure pursuant to ~~section 4732.15 of the Revised Code or for admission to a licensure examination pursuant to~~ section 4732.10 of the Revised Code or for approval by the board pursuant to division ~~(B)(A)(2)~~ of section 4732.22 of the Revised Code. Pursuant to section 4732.10 of the Revised Code, notwithstanding applicants applying for admission to examination for a psychologist license under division (B)(3)(b), (B)(3)(c), or (B)(3)(d) of section 4732.10 of the Revised Code, all applicants for licensure shall provide evidence of an earned doctoral degree from an accredited educational institution as defined in this paragraph and from a graduate program holding academic program accreditation as that term is defined in paragraph (G) of this rule...

...(H) "Applicant" means any person who applies to the board for licensure pursuant to ~~section 4732.15 of the Revised Code or for admission to a licensure examination pursuant to~~ section 4732.10 of the Revised Code or for approval of the board pursuant to division ~~(B)(A)(2)~~ of section 4732.22 of the Revised Code.

### 4) Clarification of OAC 4732-13-04 (B) (9) supervisee weekly client cap

“(9) A supervisor shall actively monitor the weekly number of clients and/or training subjects of supervisees who are working under professional work and/or training supervision, as defined in paragraph (A) or (B) of rule ~~4732-13-03~~ of the Administrative Code. **Although there is no limit on the number of supervisees registered with the board as required in paragraph (B)(25) of this rule, a supervisor shall not on a weekly basis, emergency situations excepted, delegate work to supervisees that affects more than one hundred total clients and/or training subjects.** This limitation on supervision does not apply to mental health worker supervision as described in paragraph (A) of this rule.”

*The Board needs to discuss and potentially take action regarding organizational mandates to provide services to large groups in mental health services in the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction (ODRC) and to conduct mental status screenings with each inmate upon arrival as a transfer from another institution. The new rule has unforeseen consequences and has inadvertently pushed some supervisors' caseloads to the limit or over on a weekly basis because of organizational requirements. Need to review "educational" groups (information dissemination) as opposed to the hazardous practice "psychotherapy"(OAC 4732-5-01).*

**5) Pre-licensure actions and public information on the Board website**

*Discussion about policy regarding the requirement in law to list specific disciplinary actions on the Internet and what to do with license holders who entered into consent agreements prior to licensure (e.g., requirement to complete additional education or supervised training).*

**6) Timesheet and travel receipt reminders: Deadlines/parking receipts**

**7) Budget overview and projections: New step increase and OBM action**

**8) Performance goals and progress: Desk manual progress**