

under certain circumstances; clarifying certain provisions relating to prohibited acts related to the practice of alcohol and drug counseling and clinical alcohol and drug counseling; and generally relating to the practice of alcohol and drug counseling and clinical alcohol and drug counseling.

BY adding to

Article - Health Occupations
Section 17-301(d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2000 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health Occupations
Section 17-306(c) and 17-3A-11(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2000 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Health Occupations

17-301.

(D) (1) (I) IN THIS SUBSECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(II) "APPROVED ALCOHOL AND DRUG SUPERVISOR" MEANS:

- 1. A CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR-ALCOHOL AND DRUG;
- 2. A LICENSED CLINICAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR;
- 3. A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER CERTIFIED OR LICENSED UNDER THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE WITH DOCUMENTED EXPERTISE IN ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELING, AS APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

(III) "UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF AN APPROVED ALCOHOL AND DRUG SUPERVISOR" MEANS ENGAGING IN AN ONGOING PROCESS THAT INCLUDES DIRECT, ON-SITE, FACE-TO-FACE, INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP MEETINGS WITH AN APPROVED ALCOHOL AND DRUG SUPERVISOR FOCUSED ON QUALITY OF DELIVERY OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELING SERVICES AND IMPROVEMENT OF COUNSELING SKILLS FOR A MINIMUM OF 1 DOCUMENTED HOUR FOR EACH 40-HOUR WORK WEEK BUT NOT LESS THAN 2 DOCUMENTED HOURS PER MONTH FOR LESS THAN A 40-HOUR WORK WEEK.

(2) AN INDIVIDUAL MAY PRACTICE ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELING WITHOUT CERTIFICATION FOR A LIMITED PERIOD OF TIME, AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD, IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS WORKING AS A TRAINEE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF