- (III) HOLDS A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN A HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COUNSELING FIELD OR HAS COMPLETED A PROGRAM THAT THE BOARD DETERMINES TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT IN SUBJECT MATTER AND EXTENT OF TRAINING TO A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN A HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COUNSELING FIELD;
- CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY COUNSELOR, ITS EQUIVALENT, OR HIGHER, BY THE MARYLAND ADDICTION COUNSELOR CERTIFICATION BOARD, ANOTHER STATE, THE CERTIFICATION COMMISSION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE COUNSELORS, OR THE INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATION RECIPROCITY CONSORTIUM, OR WAS EMPLOYED IN THE CAPACITY OF A PROGRAM SPECIALIST I, II, III, OR ITS EQUIVALENT, OR HIGHER, IN AN AGENCY OR FACILITY ACCREDITED BY THE JOINT COMMISSION ON THE ACCREDITATION OF HEALTH CARE ORGANIZATIONS OR CERTIFIED UNDER TITLE 8, SUBTITLE 4 OF THE HEALTH GENERAL ARTICLE; AND
- (V) HAS COMPLETED NOT LESS THAN 3 YEARS WITH A MINIMUM OF 3,000 HOURS OF SUPERVISED EXPERIENCE IN ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE COUNSELING APPROVED BY THE BOARD, 2 YEARS OF WHICH SHALL HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AFTER THE AWARD OF THE BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR A PROGRAM THAT THE BOARD DETERMINES TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT IN SUBJECT MATTER AND EXTENT OF TRAINING.
- (3) THE BOARD SHALL WAIVE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION AS A CERTIFIED SUPERVISED COUNSELOR-ALCOHOL AND DRUG FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO:
- (I) HAD FILED A LETTER OF INTENT WITH THE BOARD BY OCTOBER 1, 2001;
- (II) FILES AN APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION AS A CERTIFIED SUPERVISED COUNSELOR-ALCOHOL AND DRUG ON OR BEFORE MAY 1, 2009;
- (III) HOLDS AN ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE IN HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COUNSELING OR HAS COMPLETED A PROGRAM THAT THE BOARD DETERMINES TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT IN SUBJECT MATTER AND EXTENT OF TRAINING TO AN ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE IN HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COUNSELING; OR