

REQUIREMENTS UNDER § 17-302 OF THIS SUBTITLE OR § 17-402, § 17-403, OR § 17-404 OF THIS TITLE.

(C) THIS SUBTITLE MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO LIMIT THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO IS DULY LICENSED UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

17-302.

(A) TO QUALIFY FOR A LICENSE TO PRACTICE CLINICAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELING, AN APPLICANT SHALL BE AN INDIVIDUAL WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

(B) THE APPLICANT SHALL BE OF GOOD MORAL CHARACTER.

(C) THE APPLICANT SHALL BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OLD.

(D) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 17-305 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE APPLICANT SHALL:

(I) HOLD A MASTER'S OR DOCTORAL DEGREE IN A HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COUNSELING FIELD FROM AN ACCREDITED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION THAT IS APPROVED BY THE BOARD; OR

(II) HAVE COMPLETED A PROGRAM OF STUDIES JUDGED BY THE BOARD TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT IN SUBJECT MATTER AND EXTENT OF TRAINING AS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION.

(2) (I) IN THE CASE OF AN APPLICANT HOLDING A DOCTORAL DEGREE, THE APPLICANT SHALL HAVE COMPLETED A MINIMUM OF 90 GRADUATE CREDIT HOURS APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

(II) IN THE CASE OF AN APPLICANT HOLDING ONLY A MASTER'S DEGREE, THE APPLICANT SHALL HAVE COMPLETED A MINIMUM OF 60 GRADUATE CREDIT HOURS APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

(3) THE APPLICANT SHALL HAVE COMPLETED A MINIMUM OF 26 CREDIT HOURS IN ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR TRAINING, INCLUDING:

(I) MEDICAL ASPECTS OF CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY;

(II) GROUP COUNSELING;

(III) INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING;