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(A) TO QUALIFY FOR A LICENSE TO PRACTICE CLINICAL MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY, 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 § 17-306 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE APPLICANT SHALL HOLD A MASTER'S OR DOCTORAL DEGREE IN A MARRIAGE AND FAMILY FIELD OR 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) IN THE CASE OF AN APPLICANT HOLDING A DOCTORAL DEGREE, THE APPLICANT SHALL HAVE COMPLETED A MINIMUM OF 90 GRADUATE CREDIT HOURS IN TRAINING IN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY APPROVED BY THE BOARD THAT INCLUDES INSTRUCTION IN THE FOLLOWING SPECIALIZED AREAS:

- (I) ANALYSIS OF FAMILY SYSTEMS;
- (II) FAMILY THERAPY, THEORY, AND TECHNIQUES;
- (III) COUPLES THERAPY, THEORY, AND TECHNIQUES;
- (IV) GENDER AND ETHNICITY IN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY; AND
- (V) SEXUAL ISSUES IN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY.

(3) IN THE CASE OF AN APPLICANT HOLDING ONLY A MASTER'S DEGREE, THE APPLICANT SHALL HAVE COMPLETED A MINIMUM OF 60 GRADUATE CREDIT HOURS IN TRAINING IN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY APPROVED BY THE BOARD THAT INCLUDES INSTRUCTION IN THE SPECIALIZED AREAS SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

(E) THE APPLICANT SHALL HAVE COMPLETED NOT LESS THAN 2 YEARS WITH A MINIMUM OF 2,000 HOURS OF SUPERVISED EXPERIENCE IN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY APPROVED BY THE BOARD, 2 YEARS OF WHICH SHALL