

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

A public hearing will be held on the Digital Dakota Network at the following sites:

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Spearfish, South Dakota
Pierre, South Dakota
Sioux Falls, South Dakota
Yankton, South Dakota
Rapid City, South Dakota

On October 15, 2018, at 11:00AM MDT/12:00PM CDT, to consider the amendment of the following Board of Social Work Examiners rules:

§§ 20:59:01:01, 20:59:01:04.01, 20:59:01:10.06, 20:59:04:01.01, 20:59:04:07, 20:59:04:09, 20:59:05:01, 20:59:05:09, 20:85:03:01 to 20:85:03:07, inclusive.

The effect of the rules will be to establish rules for the Assistant Behavior Analyst or Paraprofessional. For Social Workers, the effect of the rules will be to remove language related to licensure by equivalency, update to the most recent code of ethics, remove the fee schedule for examinations not conducted by the department, revise language for continuing education to allow more hours via online providers, and removes prior Board approval for preparation or publication of a professional social work topic or paper.

Persons interested in presenting data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may do so by appearing in person at the hearing or by sending them to the South Dakota Board of Social Work Examiners, 810 N. Main Street #298, Spearfish, SD 57783 or via email to proflic@rushmore.com. Material sent by mail or email must reach the Board of Social Work Examiners at least 72 hours before the public hearing, to be considered.

For purposes of assisting the Department to fully understand the issues being addressed, individuals intending to present oral testimony at the hearing are asked to make a written copy of their testimony available to the Department. Written comments and testimony must relate directly to the changes being proposed and must cite the specific rule number to which the comments are being directed.

Interested persons may, at any time prior to the hearing, obtain copies of the proposed rules by contacting Teresa Schulte, Department of Social Services, 700 Governors Drive, Pierre, SD 57501. Copies of the proposed rules are also available at: <http://rules.sd.gov>.

This meeting is being held in a physically accessible place. Individuals needing assistance, pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, should contact our office within 48 hours of the public hearing if you have special needs for which this agency will need to make arrangements. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605)-642-1600.

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