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Unfortunately I will not be able to make it to the RRC meeting Thursday. I have a conflicting appointment. I am hopeful that the RRC will approve the rules without questions. I appreciate all your hard work proofing these for me and the commission.

Barden

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Lawrence,

Thank you for the feedback. I have attached the new rule .0204.

I appreciate the non-objection to .0205... the things this agency does to the King's English...

Thank you,

Barden Culbreth (he/him)  
*Executive Director*  
**North Carolina Addictions Specialist**  
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21 NCAC 68 .0204 is amended as published in 36:16 NCR 1417-1419 follows:

### **21 NCAC 68 .0204 SUPERVISED PRACTICUM FOR CERTIFIED ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR AND LICENSED CLINICAL ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST**

(a) All applicants for the certified alcohol and drug counselor or the clinical addictions specialist credential shall complete a 300 hour practicum supervised by an applicant supervisor and the practicum shall cover all core functions of addictions counseling as set forth by the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium which is hereby incorporated by reference and available in the Candidate Guides including subsequent amendments or **additions editions** at [internationalcredentialing.org](http://internationalcredentialing.org). The practicum shall be supervised at a ratio of one hour of supervision for every 10 hours of practice.

~~(b) The remaining 180 hours of this practicum shall be in any of the core function areas.~~

~~(e)~~ (b) Upon completion of the 300 ~~hours;~~ **hours of practice**, the supervisor shall complete an evaluation reviewing the **certified alcohol and drug counselor's or clinical addictions specialist professional's** **applicant's** development and provide it to the Board, documenting the 300 hours of practice.

~~(d)~~ (c) Pursuant to G.S. 90-113.40(a)(7), the The 300 hour practicum of the Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor and the Certified Prevention Specialist may be completed as part of an academic course of study in a regionally accredited college or university or **it** may

be developed in the a work setting as long as it is when supervised by an applicant supervisor. The 300 hour practicum may be completed as part of the three years (or 6,000 hours) of alcohol and drug counseling experience required for certification.

(e) (d) Pursuant to G.S. 90-113.40(e)(1), the ~~The 300 hours of practical training~~ hour practicum of the Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist Criteria A applicant ~~provided by an applicant supervisor~~ shall be completed as part of the required two years postgraduate supervised clinical addictions counseling ~~experience~~, and does not include the clinical application or practical training completed as a part of the master's degree used to apply for the Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist.

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Barden,

Thank you for doing all of these changes. See below for individual responses to your comments.

### Lawrence Duke

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.0101 History note – that is a typo. It should read October 1. I have fixed in the submitted draft. Let me me know if I need to fix in OAH format. **Good as changed.**

.0204 Paragraph (a) – I tried to work with this one, but could not find a way that substantively changed the rule. I think our regulated public will understand what it means. Also the references, subsequent amendments, etc. are all available for free at the aforementioned website. **I am fine with this, except could you change “additions” to “editions” at the end of line 8.**

.0204 paragraph (e) – Again I think our regulated public understands what is being said here. I tried to break it up, but couldn't find anyway I liked. **It's fine.**

.0205 (2) – I can delete “clock” but the purpose here is to differentiate between “credit” hours (ie college credit) and also “continuing education” (CE) hours. There is a lot of confusion because they believe we are asking for credit hours...and they will die before they finish enough college courses to reach 270 credits. So we use clock here to demonstrate we are referring to hours of the day. **While I understand what you are saying, continuing ed hours or credit hours are things and I don't think clock hours is a term that's used. I would delete, but I'm not going to object based on this.**

.0205 (3) – This refers back to the requirements of .0202, and some applicants pay the fee at that step, others pay all at once. **Fine.**

.0205 (8) – We had a name change in 2020, and are in the process of moving over our web domains. I would like to leave our website unlisted throughout the rules. It does appear in .0102. Is that sufficient? **The better practice is to have it listed, but if you don't know what it will be, in the near future, then it's fine.**

.0206 (a) – I agree this is probably unnecessary, but I don't think I can change it without agency review. I think it holdover language from the 1990s that's purpose was to make sure that the substance abuse prevention credential was not doing treatment. They have an entirely different client base and unique scope and this rule, in addition to listing the requirements, is trying to address that. **Fine.**

.0206 (b)(1) - Prevention consultation is defined in the .0101 definitions rule. **Fine.**

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1 21 NCAC 68 .0101 is amended as published in 36:16 NCR 1417-1419 follows:

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3 **21 NCAC 68 .0101 DEFINITIONS**

4 As used in ~~the General Statutes~~ or this Chapter, ~~the following terms mean:~~ **the following terms are defined as:**

- 5 (1) "Applicant" means a person who submits documentation seeking Board status for registration,  
6 certification, or licensure.
- 7 (2) "Approved ~~supervisor~~ **supervisor**" means a person who monitors and directs the activities of a  
8 substance use disorder professional in the role of a supervisor or a practice supervisor as set out in  
9 G.S. 90-113.31A. This is a person who fulfills or is in the process of fulfilling the requirements for  
10 this Board designation of approved supervisor pursuant to Rule .0211 of this Chapter by completing  
11 its academic, didactic, and experiential requirements.
- 12 (3) "Assessment" means identifying and evaluating an individual's strengths, weaknesses, problems,  
13 and needs for the development of a treatment or service plan for a substance use disorder.
- 14 (4) "Clinical application" means the assumption of professional and ethical responsibilities in the form  
15 of clinical supervision ~~defined in Item (7) of this Rule~~ in a clinical setting for 300 ~~hours~~ **hours**, as  
16 well as the utilization of practice dimensions that include:
- 17 (a) clinical evaluation;  
18 (b) treatment planning;  
19 (c) referral;  
20 (d) service coordination;  
21 (e) counseling;  
22 (f) education for the individual client, family, or community; and  
23 (g) documentation.
- 24 (5) "Clinical setting" means a location where the primary purpose is the delivery of behavioral health  
25 care to clients, patients, and consumers.
- 26 (6) "Clinical supervision" means clinical oversight required for ~~all credentials with 50 percent clinical~~  
27 ~~supervision that shall accrue in person and face to face while in the same room. The balance of this~~  
28 ~~requirement may be fulfilled electronically via video, face to face, if performed in real time. a~~  
29 substance use disorder or addictions specialist professional that is held at scheduled times or at  
30 regular intervals where the practice supervisor or supervisor of record reviews the clinical work of  
31 a professional for the purpose of feedback and instruction. This may be conducted electronically via  
32 live face-to-face video conducted in real time.
- 33 (7) "Clinical supervision specific education" means training that covers the aspects of clinical  
34 supervision of a substance use disorder professional or any of the core functions of addictions  
35 counseling in their clinical application.
- 36 (8) "Client" means an individual who is in receipt of substance use disorder counseling.



- 1 (9) "Complainant" means a person who has filed an ethical complaint pursuant to ~~these Rules,~~ the Rules  
2 of this Section.
- 3 (10) "Consultation" means a meeting for discussion, decision-making, and planning with other service  
4 providers for the purpose of providing substance use disorder counseling services.
- 5 (11) "Crisis" means a radical change of status event in the course of treatment related to alcohol or drug  
6 use that threatens to compromise or destroy the rehabilitation effort.
- 7 (12) "Deemed status group" means those persons who are credentialed as clinical addictions specialists  
8 because of their membership in a deemed status as defined in G.S. 90-113.31A(15).
- 9 (13) "Education" means a service that is designed to inform and teach various groups including clients,  
10 families, schools, businesses, churches, industries, civic, and other community groups about the  
11 nature of substance use disorders and about available community resources. It also serves to improve  
12 the social functioning of recipients by increasing awareness of human behavior and providing  
13 alternative cognitive or behavioral responses to life's problems.
- 14 (14) "Full-time" means 2,000 hours of substance use disorder professional experience per year.
- 15 (15) "General professional skill building" means education provided to enhance the general skills of a  
16 substance use disorder professional.
- 17 (16) "Hearing panel" means members of a committee designated by the chairperson of the committee to  
18 conduct an informal hearing to determine whether the applicant meets the standards required to be  
19 maintained for or awarded a credential.
- 20 (17) "Impairment" means a mental illness, substance use disorder, chemical dependency, or physical  
21 illness that inhibits the ability of the professional to meet the treatment needs of the client and his  
22 or her family.
- 23 (18) "Letter of reference" means a letter that recommends a person for credentialing.
- 24 (19) "Membership in good standing" means a member's credential is not in a state of revocation, lapse,  
25 or suspension. However, an individual whose credential is suspended and the suspension is stayed  
26 is a member in good standing during the period of the stay.
- 27 (20) "Passing score" means the score set and provided by the entity administering the ~~exam.~~ exam  
28 indicating successful and satisfactory completion.
- 29 (21) "Person served" means an individual who is not a client but is in receipt of substance use disorder  
30 prevention counseling.
- 31 (22) "Personal service" means the delivery of a document into the hands of the person to whom it is  
32 addressed.
- 33 (23) "Prevention consultation" means a service provided to other mental health, human service,  
34 community planning, development organization, or to individual practitioners in other organizations  
35 to assist in the development of insights and skills of the practitioner necessary for prevention of  
36 alcohol and drug misuse.
- 37 (24) "Prevention performance domains" means areas of professional activities to include:

- 1 (a) planning and evaluations;  
2 (b) education and skill development;  
3 (c) community organization;  
4 (d) public and organizational policy; and  
5 (e) professional growth and responsibility.
- 6 (25) "Referral" means identifying the needs of an individual that cannot be met by the counselor or  
7 agency and assisting the individual in utilizing the support systems and community resources  
8 available to transfer services.
- 9 (26) "Rehabilitation" means re-establishing the functioning needed for professional competency.
- 10 (27) "Reinstatement" means an action where the Board restores registration, certification, or licensure to  
11 an applicant after the applicant completes the requirements imposed by the Board.
- 12 (28) "Relapse" means a return to the pattern of substance misuse as well as the process during which  
13 indicators appear prior to the person's return to the pattern of substance misuse or a re-appearance  
14 or exacerbation of physical, psychological, or emotional symptoms of impairment.
- 15 (29) "Renewal" means an action by the Board granting a substance use disorder professional a  
16 consecutive registration, certification, or licensure based upon the completion of requirements for  
17 renewal as prescribed by statute and the rules of the Board.
- 18 (30) "Revival" means an action by the Board granting a substance use disorder professional a registration,  
19 certification, or licensure following a lapse of registration, certification, or licensure wherein the  
20 professional must also meet the requirements for renewal.
- 21 (31) "Respondent" means a person who is making application for registration, certification, or licensure  
22 by the Board or is registered, certified, or licensed by the Board against whom a complaint has been  
23 filed.
- 24 (32) "Sexual activity" or "sexual contact" means soliciting or engaging in any activities of a sexual  
25 nature, including kissing, fondling, or touching of the body, specifically to the genitals but may  
26 include other parts of the body meant to cause sexual arousal.
- 27 (33) "Substance use disorder counseling experience " means approved supervised experience that may  
28 be full-time, part-time, paid or voluntary, and shall include all of the core functions of addiction  
29 counseling as set forth in Rule .0204 of this Chapter as documented by a job description and a  
30 supervisor's evaluation.
- 31 (34) "Substance use disorder prevention ~~consultant~~ specialist experience" means approved supervised  
32 experience that may be full-time, part-time, paid, or voluntary, and shall include the prevention  
33 domains referenced by Rule .0206 of this Chapter and as documented by a job description and  
34 supervisor's evaluation.
- 35 (35) "Substance use disorder specific" means education focused upon alcohol and other drugs and the  
36 substance using substance-using population and is provided for a substance use disorder

1 professional by an individual whose education and experience is in the field of alcohol and other  
2 drugs.

3 (36) "Supervised practice" means supervision of the applicant in the knowledge and skills related to  
4 substance use disorder professionals.

5 (37) "Supervisor of record" means the supervisor who is a substance use disorder professional and is  
6 primarily responsible for providing applicant or practice supervision to a supervisee; supervisee, as  
7 well as reporting that supervised work experience to the Board.

8 (38) "Suspension" means a loss of registration, certification, or licensure by a substance use disorder  
9 professional or the privilege of making application for registration, certification, or licensure by an  
10 applicant for one of these credentials.

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12 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-113.30; 90-113.31A; 90-113.31B; 90-113.33; 90-113.40; 90-113.41; 90-*  
13 *113.41A;*  
14 *Eff. August 1, 1996;*  
15 *Temporary Amendment Eff. November 15, 1997;*  
16 *Amended Eff. August 1, 2015; January 1, 2014; June 1, 2011; April 1, 2011; April 1, 2003; August*  
17 *1, 2002; April 1, 2001; August 1, 2000; August 1, 1998;*  
18 *Readopted Eff. ~~October 1, 2020.~~ October 1, 2020;*  
19 *Amended Eff. July 01, 2022.*

1 21 NCAC 68 .0203 is amended as published in 36:16 NCR 1417-1419 follows:

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3 **21 NCAC 68 .0203 DESIGNATION AS ~~SUBSTANCE ABUSE~~ ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR**  
4 **INTERN**

5 (a) To be designated as a ~~Substance Abuse~~ an Alcohol and Drug Counselor Intern, a counselor shall:

- 6 (1) Submit the requirements for Registration status issued by the Board, as described in Rule .0202 of  
7 this Chapter, if not submitted previously;  
8 (2) Provide documentation to the Board verifying the completion of 300 hours of supervised practice  
9 by a Certified Clinical Supervisor or Clinical Supervisor ~~Intern;~~ Intern; and  
10 (3) Achieve a passing score on the Alcohol and Drug Counselor examination developed by the IC&RC  
11 International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) or its successor ~~organization;~~ and  
12 organization.  
13 (4) ~~Pay a non refundable, one hundred fifty dollar (\$150.00) exam fee plus a one hundred fifty dollar~~  
14 ~~(\$150.00) certification fee if not already Registered with the Board.~~

15 (b) Upon the failure of an applicant to achieve a passing score, the applicant may request a reexamination and pay a  
16 non-refundable reexamination fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) after a period of three months from the date  
17 of the failed test.

18 (c) Once an individual has been designated as a ~~Substance Abuse~~ an Alcohol and Drug Counselor Intern, ~~he or she~~  
19 they may function as a counselor intern under an approved supervisor at a ratio of one hour of supervision for every  
20 40 hours of practice.

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22 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-113.30; 90-113.33; 90-113.34; 90-113.38; 90-113.39; 90-113.40; 90-113.41;*  
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3 **21 NCAC 68 .0204 SUPERVISED PRACTICUM FOR CERTIFIED ALCOHOL AND DRUG**  
4 **COUNSELOR AND LICENSED CLINICAL ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST**

5 (a) All applicants for the certified alcohol and drug counselor or the clinical addictions specialist credential shall  
6 complete a 300 hour practicum supervised by an applicant supervisor and the practicum shall cover all core functions  
7 of addictions counseling as set forth by the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium which is hereby  
8 incorporated by reference and available in the Candidate Guides including subsequent amendments or additions at  
9 internationalcredentialing.org. The practicum shall be supervised at a ratio of one hour of supervision for every 10  
10 hours of practice.

11 ~~(b) The remaining 180 hours of this practicum shall be in any of the core function areas.~~

12 ~~(e)~~ (b) Upon completion of the 300 hours, hours of practice, the supervisor shall complete an evaluation reviewing  
13 the certified alcohol and drug counselor's or clinical addictions specialist professional's applicant's development and  
14 provide it to the Board, documenting the 300 hours of practice.

15 ~~(d)~~ (c) Pursuant to G.S. 90-113.40(a)(7), the The 300 hour practicum of the Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor  
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3 **21 NCAC 68 .0205 CERTIFIED ~~SUBSTANCE ABUSE~~ ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR**  
4 **CERTIFICATION**

5 Requirements for certification as a Certified ~~Substance Abuse~~ Alcohol and Drug Counselor shall be as follows:

- 6 (1) Completion of 6,000 hours of paid or volunteer supervised experience as set out in G.S. 90-  
7 113.40(a). If the work setting is not exclusively substance ~~abuse use disorder~~ focused, the applicant  
8 may accumulate experience proportional to the substance ~~abuse use disorder~~ services performed or  
9 as determined and verified by the applicant ~~supervisor.~~ supervisor;
- 10 (2) Board approved education and training of at least 270 clock hours, consisting of:
- 11 (a) Substance Abuse Use Disorder Specific (SAS) education and training in the amount of at  
12 least 190 ~~hours;~~ hours of substance use disorder specific core competencies, to include the  
13 following:
- 14 (i) ~~[Basic]~~ basic alcoholism and drug addiction knowledge;
  - 15 (ii) ~~[Screening.]~~ screening, intake, orientation, and assessment;
  - 16 (iii) ~~[Individual.]~~ individual, group, and family counseling and intervention  
17 techniques;
  - 18 (iv) ~~[Case management.]~~ case management, treatment planning, reporting, and record  
19 keeping;
  - 20 (v) ~~[Crisis]~~ crisis intervention skills;
  - 21 (vi) ~~[Prevention]~~ prevention and client education;
  - 22 (vii) ~~[Consultation.]~~ consultation, referral, and networking that utilizes community  
23 resources;
  - 24 (viii) ~~[Ethics.]~~ ethics, legal issues, and confidentiality;
  - 25 (ix) ~~[Special]~~ special populations that include individuals or groups with ethnic,  
26 cultural, sexual orientation, and gender characteristics as well as persons dealing  
27 with HIV, co-occurring disabilities, persons with criminal justice related issues,  
28 and perinatal issues;
  - 29 (x) ~~[Physiology]~~ physiology and pharmacology of alcohol and other drugs that  
30 include the licit and illicit drugs, inhalants, and nicotine;
  - 31 (xi) ~~[Psychological.]~~ psychological, emotional, personality, and developmental issues;  
32 and
  - 33 (xii) ~~[Traditions]~~ traditions and philosophies of 12-step and other recovery support  
34 groups;
- 35 (b) Up to 80 hours may be directed toward general professional skill building to enhance  
36 counselor development;

- 1 (c) No more than ~~25% of the 270 hours (67.5)~~ **67.5** hours may be in-service education received  
 2 within the applicant's organization by staff of the same ~~organization;~~ organization; and  
 3 (d) ~~The 190 Substance Abuse Specific clock hours needed for initial certification must be in~~  
 4 ~~the core competencies. Core competencies are listed as follows:~~  
 5 (i) ~~Basic alcoholism and drug addiction knowledge;~~  
 6 (ii) ~~Screening, intake, orientation, and assessment;~~  
 7 (iii) ~~Individual, group, and family counseling and intervention techniques;~~  
 8 (iv) ~~Case management, treatment planning, reporting, and record keeping;~~  
 9 (v) ~~Crisis intervention skills;~~  
 10 (vi) ~~Prevention and client education;~~  
 11 (vii) ~~Consultation, referral, and networking that utilizes community resources;~~  
 12 (viii) ~~Ethics, legal issues, and confidentiality;~~  
 13 (ix) ~~Special populations that include individuals or groups with ethnic, cultural, sexual~~  
 14 ~~orientation, and gender characteristics as well as persons dealing with HIV, co-~~  
 15 ~~occurring disabilities, persons with criminal justice related issues, and perinatal~~  
 16 ~~issues;~~  
 17 (x) ~~Physiology and pharmacology of alcohol and other drugs that include the licit and~~  
 18 ~~illicit drugs, inhalants, and nicotine;~~  
 19 (xi) ~~Psychological, emotional, personality, and developmental issues; and~~  
 20 (xii) ~~Traditions and philosophies of 12 step and other recovery support groups;~~  
 21 (e) (d) Of the 270 clock hours, applicants for certification as a must Substance Abuse Professional  
 22 document six hours of HIV/AIDS/STDS/TB/Bloodborne pathogens training and  
 23 education, six hours ~~professional~~ clinical ethics education, and six hours of education to be  
 24 selected from the following:  
 25 (i) nicotine use disorder;  
 26 (ii) psychopathology;  
 27 (iii) evidence-based treatment;  
 28 (iv) substance use disorder issues and older adults;  
 29 (v) substance use disorder issues affecting veterans; and  
 30 (vi) substance use disorder and domestic ~~violence.~~ **violence;**  
 31 (3) A one hundred fifty dollar (\$150.00) exam fee and a two hundred dollar (\$200.00) non-refundable  
 32 certification fee, unless previously paid. ~~The applicant may request a reexamination and pay a non-~~  
 33 ~~refundable reexamination fee as set out in G.S. 90-113.38(c) for the written exam if a passing score~~  
 34 ~~is not achieved and at least three months have passed from the date of failed test.~~ paid;  
 35 (4) Achieving a passing score on the IC&RC or its successor organization Alcohol and Drug Counselor  
 36 ~~exam.~~ exam;

- 1 (5) Completed evaluation forms by the ~~professional's applicant~~ applicant's supervisor documenting  
2 6,000 hours of clinical substance use disorder counseling experience ~~submitted to the Board,~~ and  
3 two references from other substance use disorder ~~professionals as part of the application for~~  
4 ~~certification.~~ ~~[certification; professionals;~~  
5 (6) An attestation or otherwise signed adherence by the applicant to the Ethical Standards of the ~~Board.~~  
6 ~~[Board;]~~ Board as found in Section 0500 of this Chapter;  
7 (7) Documentation of highest level ~~education.~~ ~~education achieved.~~ Verification of high school  
8 graduation or completion of GED may be evidenced by diploma. Applicants presenting  
9 baccalaureate or advanced degrees must submit a completed ~~transcript.~~ ~~transcript;~~  
10 (8) Completed registration application found on the Board's ~~website.~~ ~~website;~~ and  
11 (9) ~~Resume.~~ ~~[Resume; and]~~ ~~Resume.~~  
12 (10) ~~Job description that verifies job function to include the 12 Core Functions.~~

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14 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-113.30; 90-113.33; 90-113.39; 90-113.40;*  
15 *Eff. August 1, 1996;*  
16 *Amended Eff. January 1, 2010; August 1, 2002; August 1, 2000;*  
17 *Readopted Eff. ~~April 10, 2019.~~ April 10, 2019;*  
18 *Amended Eff. July 1, 2022.*



# SUBMISSION FOR PERMANENT RULE

<b>1. Rule-Making Agency:</b>	
<b>2. Rule citation &amp; name (name not required for repeal):</b>	
<b>3. Action:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> ADOPTION <input type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT <input type="checkbox"/> REPEAL <input type="checkbox"/> READOPTION	
<b>4. Rule exempt from RRC review?</b> Yes. Cite authority: No	<b>5. Rule automatically subject to legislative review?</b> Yes. Cite authority: No
<b>6. Notice for Proposed Rule:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Notice Required Notice of Text published on: Link to Agency notice: Hearing on: Adoption by Agency on: <input type="checkbox"/> Notice not required under G.S.: Adoption by Agency on:	
<b>7. Rule establishes or increases a fee? (See G.S. 12-3.1)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Agency submitted request for consultation on: Consultation not required. Cite authority: <input type="checkbox"/> No	<b>8. Fiscal impact</b> Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Local funds affected <input type="checkbox"/> Substantial economic impact (≥\$1,000,000) <input type="checkbox"/> Approved by OSBM <input type="checkbox"/> No fiscal note required
<b>9. REASON FOR ACTION</b>	
<b>9A. What prompted this action? Check all that apply:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Agency <input type="checkbox"/> Court order / cite: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal statute / cite: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal regulation / cite: <input type="checkbox"/> Legislation enacted by the General Assembly <input type="checkbox"/> Cite Session Law: <input type="checkbox"/> Petition for rule-making <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
<b>9B. Explain:</b>	
<b>10. Rulemaking Coordinator:</b>  Name: Title:  Phone: E-Mail:	<b>11. Signature of Agency Head* or Rule-making Coordinator:</b>  _____ *If this function has been delegated (reassigned) pursuant to G.S. 143B-10(a), submit a copy of the delegation with this form.  Typed Name: Title:
<b>RRC AND OAH USE ONLY</b>	
<b>Action taken:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> RRC extended period of review: <input type="checkbox"/> RRC determined substantial changes: <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn by agency <input type="checkbox"/> Subject to Legislative Review <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	

1 21 NCAC 68 .0206 is amended as published in 36:16 NCR 1417-1419 follows:

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3 **21 NCAC 68 .0206 PROCESS FOR PREVENTION CONSULTANT SPECIALIST CERTIFICATION**

4 (a) The Board shall certify an applicant as a certified ~~substance-abuse prevention consultant~~ specialist as set out in  
5 Article 5C of Chapter 90 of the North Carolina General Statutes. A certified ~~substance-abuse prevention consultant's~~  
6 specialist's primary responsibilities are to provide substance use disorder information and education, environmental  
7 approaches, alternative activities, community organization, networking, and referral to promote personal health and  
8 well-being to individuals, families, and communities who may not otherwise be clients receiving substance use  
9 disorder treatment.

10 (b) The requirements for certification are:

- 11 (1) Supervised **work field** experience as set out in G.S. 90-113.40(a)(8) in prevention ~~consultation.~~  
12 consultation;
- 13 (2) 270 hours of academic and didactic **training training** divided **in the following manner: as follows:**
- 14 (A) 170 hours primary and secondary prevention and in the prevention performance domains;  
15 and
- 16 (B) 100 hours in substance use disorder specific studies, which includes six hours of  
17 HIV/AIDS/STDS/TB/Bloodborne pathogens training and education, six hours  
18 professional ethics education, and six hours of education to be selected from the following:
- 19 (i) nicotine use disorder;  
20 (ii) psychopathology;  
21 (iii) evidence-based treatment;  
22 (iv) substance use disorder issues and older adults;  
23 (v) substance use disorder issues affecting veterans; and  
24 (vi) substance use disorder and domestic ~~violence.~~ violence; **[and]**
- 25 (3) A minimum of 300 hours of supervised practical training practice hours documented by a certified  
26 clinical supervisor, clinical supervisor intern, or certified ~~substance-abuse prevention consultant~~  
27 specialist who has been certified more than three years;
- 28 (4) An attestation or otherwise signed adherence by the applicant to the Ethical Standards of the ~~Board;~~  
29 Board as found in Section 0500 of this Chapter; and
- 30 (5) An application fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), a certification fee of two hundred dollars  
31 (\$200.00) and an examination fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00).

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33 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-113.30; 90-113.31B; 90-113.33; 90-113.38; 90-113.39; 90-113.40; 90-113.41;*  
34 *Eff. August 1, 1996;*  
35 *Amended Eff. January 1, 2014; August 1, 2002; April 1, 2001; August 1, 2000;*  
36 *Readopted Eff. ~~April 10, 2019.~~ April 10, 2019;*  
37 *Amended Eff. July 1, 2022.*

1 21 NCAC 68 .0208 is amended as published in 36:16 NCR 1417-1419 follows:

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3 **21 NCAC 68 .0208 RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS FOR COUNSELOR, CRIMINAL JUSTICE**  
4 **ADDICTIONS PROFESSIONAL AND PREVENTION CONSULTANT**  
5 **SPECIALIST**

6 (a) In order to renew a certification, a certified ~~substance abuse alcohol and drug counselor, certified criminal justice~~  
7 ~~addictions professional, and certified substance abuse prevention consultant specialist~~ shall:

8 (1) Complete 60 hours of training recognized by the Board as follows:

9 (A) A minimum of 50 percent (30 hours) shall be substance use disorder specific.

10 ~~(A)~~ (B) No more than 25 percent may be in-service education, received within the professional's  
11 place of employment by staff of the same employment;

12 ~~(B)~~ (C) No more than 25 percent may be educational training presented by the renewing  
13 professional. A presentation shall be a part of an event recognized by the Board as set out  
14 in the rules of this Chapter;

15 ~~(C)~~ (D) An applicant shall include documentation of each event ~~submitted; submitted; and~~

16 ~~(D)~~ (E) All applicants shall include three hours of HIV/AIDS/STDS/TB/Bloodborne pathogens  
17 training and education, three hours of ~~professional~~ clinical ethics training and education,  
18 and three hours of education to be selected from the list appearing in ~~Rule 21 NCAC 68~~  
19 ~~.0205(e); and Rule 21 NCAC 68 .0205(e).~~

20 ~~(E)~~ ~~No more than 50 percent shall be self study or pre recorded online training; and~~

21 (2) Submit the following:

22 (A) A completed renewal ~~application~~ found on the Board website;

23 (B) A non-refundable one hundred fifty dollar (\$150.00) recertification fee; and

24 (C) An attestation or otherwise signed adherence by the applicant to the Ethical Standards of  
25 the ~~Board.~~ Board as found in Section 0500 of this Chapter.

26 ~~(b) Thirty hours shall be substance use disorder specific.~~ (b) In order to renew a certification, a certified criminal  
27 justice addictions professional shall:

28 (1) Complete 40 hours of training recognized by the Board as follows:

29 (A) A minimum of 50% (20 hours) shall be substance use disorder specific.

30 (B) No more than 25 percent may be in-service education, received within the professional's  
31 place of employment by staff of the same employment;

32 (C) No more than 25 percent may be educational training presented by the renewing  
33 professional. A presentation shall be a part of an event recognized by the Board as set out  
34 in the rules of this Chapter;

35 (D) An applicant shall include documentation of each event submitted; and

1                   (E) All applicants shall include three hours of HIV/AIDS/STDS/TB/Bloodborne pathogens  
2                   training and education, three hours of clinical ethics training and education, and three hours  
3                   of education to be selected from the list appearing in Rule 21 NCAC 68 .0205(e).

4           (2) Submit the following:

5                   (A) A completed renewal found on the Board website;

6                   (B) A non-refundable one hundred fifty dollar (\$150.00) recertification fee; and

7                   (C) An attestation or otherwise signed adherence by the applicant to the Ethical Standards of  
8                   the Board as found in Section 0500 of this Chapter.

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10 (c) The renewal ~~application~~ of a certified criminal justice addictions professional and a certified ~~substance abuse~~  
11 ~~alcohol and drug~~ counselor shall include a post-certification supervision agreement between a practice supervisor and  
12 supervisee. The supervision required by this Rule shall be provided according to G.S. 90-113.37A(b).

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14 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-113.30; 90-113.33; 90-113.37A; 90-113.38; 90-113.39;*

15 *Eff. August 1, 1996;*

16 *Amended Eff. June 1, 2011; April 1, 2011; January 1, 2010; April 1, 2003; August 1, 2002; August*  
17 *1, 2000;*

18 *Readopted Eff. ~~April 10, 2019.~~ April 10, 2019;*

19 *Amended Eff. July 1, 2022.*

1 21 NCAC 68 .0212 is repealed as follows:

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3 **21 NCAC 68 .0212           PROCESS FOR RESIDENTIAL FACILITY DIRECTOR CERTIFICATION**

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5 *History Note:    Authority G.S. 90-113.30; 90-113.33; 90-113.37A; 90-113.38; 90-113.39; 90-113.40;*

6 *Eff. August 1, 1996;*

7 *Amended Eff. January 1, 2010; August 1, 2002; August 1, 2000;*

8 *Readopted Eff. ~~April 10, 2019.~~ April 10, 2019.*

9 *Repealed Eff. July 1, 2022.*

1 21 NCAC 68 .0305 is amended as published in 36:16 NCR 1417-1419 follows:

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3 **21 NCAC 68 .0305 LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR INITIAL APPLICANTS FOR LICENSED**  
4 **CLINICAL ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST**

5 In addition to meeting the requirements of G.S. 90-113.40, an applicant seeking licensure as a clinical addictions  
6 specialist shall submit the following:

- 7 (1) Documentation of completion of:
- 8 (a) Six hours of HIV/AIDS/STDS/TB/Bloodborne pathogens training and education;
  - 9 (b) Six hours of ~~professional~~ clinical ethics training;
  - 10 (c) Six hours of clinical supervision specific training; and
  - 11 (d) Six hours selected from the following list:
    - 12 (i) nicotine use disorder;
    - 13 (ii) psychopathology;
    - 14 (iii) evidence-based treatment;
    - 15 (iv) substance use disorder issues and older adults;
    - 16 (v) substance use disorder issues and veterans; and
    - 17 (vi) substance use disorder issues and domestic violence.

18 All hours listed in this Item may be included in the 180 hours of substance use disorder training  
19 required for licensure;

- 20 (2) A copy of a substance ~~abuse~~ use disorder specialty certificate or transcript if the applicant is applying  
21 under Criteria C as defined in G.S. 90-113.40 (c)(3), or is seeking education credit as described in  
22 Item (1) of this Rule under any other criteria outlined in G.S. 90-113.40 (c);
- 23 (3) An official transcript of completed masters or other advanced degree in a human services field with  
24 a clinical application as found in Rule .0101(5) of this Chapter, if not previously submitted under  
25 Item (2) of this Rule;
- 26 (4) A completed application found on the Board's website; and
- 27 (5) Payment of the following fees:
- 28 (a) All applicants who are in the deemed status group shall make payment of a non-refundable  
29 application fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) and payment of a non-refundable credentialing fee  
30 of forty dollars (\$40.00).
  - 31 (b) All other applicants shall make payment of an application fee of twenty-five dollars  
32 (\$25.00) and payment of a non-refundable certification fee of two hundred dollars  
33 (\$200.00).
  - 34 (c) All applicants seeking credentialing pursuant to Criteria A, Criteria B, and Criteria C of  
35 G.S. 90-113.40(c) shall make payment of a non-refundable examination fee of one hundred  
36 fifty dollars (\$150.00). An applicant seeking credentialing pursuant to Criteria D (Deemed

1 Status) who has not completed an examination as required by G.S 90-113.41(b), shall  
2 complete and pass the examination at his or her own expense.

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4 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-113.30; 90-113.33; 90-113.38; 90-113.40; 90-113.41;*

5 *Temporary Adoption Eff. November 15, 1997;*

6 *Eff. April 1, 1999;*

7 *Amended Eff. January 1, 2014; August 1, 2002;*

8 *Readopted Eff. ~~April 10, 2019.~~ April 10, 2019;*

9 *Amended Eff. July 1, 2022.*

1 21 NCAC 68 .0306 is amended as published in 36:16 NCR 1417-1419 follows:

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3 **21 NCAC 68 .0306 RENEWAL OF LICENSED CLINICAL ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST**

4 (a) An applicant who is in the deemed status group shall submit the following every two ~~years~~ years, prior to their  
5 license expiration:

6 (1) A completed application and a copy of the applicant's current substance ~~abuse~~ use disorder licensure  
7 certificate or its equivalent from the deemed status professional discipline.

8 (2) A non-refundable renewal fee of thirty-five dollars ~~(\$35.00)~~ (\$35.00); and

9 (b) All other individual applicants shall:

10 (1) Renew licensure as classified by the criteria for their original licensing every two years.

11 (2) Document completing completion of 40 hours of education pursuant to ~~Section .0400~~ Rule .0401 of  
12 this ~~Chapter~~ Chapter during the current licensing period. A minimum of 30 hours shall be substance  
13 use disorder specific. This education may include a combination of hours hours, including attending  
14 and providing workshops.

15 (3) Meet re-licensing educational guidelines as a substance use disorder professional as follows:

16 (A) No more than 25 percent may be in-service education, received within the applicant's  
17 organization by staff of the same employment.

18 ~~(B) No more than 25 percent receiving supervision with two hours of supervision translating~~  
19 ~~to one hour of education.~~

20 ~~(C)~~ (B) No more than 25 percent of workshop presentation with one hour of presentation  
21 translating to one hour of education. Workshop presentation shall be pursuant to Rule .0213  
22 of this Chapter.

23 ~~(D)~~ (C) All applicants shall include three hours of HIV/AIDS/STDS/TB/Bloodborne pathogens  
24 training and education, three hours of ~~professional~~ clinical ethics training and education,  
25 and three hours of education to be selected from the list appearing in Rule.0305(1)(d) of  
26 this Section.

27 (4) Submit a completed application with continuing education documented.

28 (5) Submit a non-refundable one hundred fifty dollar (\$150.00) renewal fee.

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30 *History Note: Authority G.S. 90-113.30; 90-113.33; 90-113.37A; 90-113.38; 90-113.39; 90-113.41A;*

31 *Temporary Adoption Eff. November 15, 1997;*

32 *Eff. August 1, 1998;*

33 *Amended Eff. January 1, 2014; April 1, 2003; August 1, 2002;*

34 *Readopted Eff. ~~April 10, 2019~~ April 10, 2019;*

35 *Amended Eff. July 1, 2022.*



## **Burgos, Alexander N**

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**From:** Duke, Lawrence  
**Sent:** Monday, June 6, 2022 2:10 PM  
**To:** barden@ncaddictionsboard.org  
**Cc:** Burgos, Alexander N  
**Subject:** Addiction Spec. Pro. Prac. Brd. - 21 NCAC 68 Rule Submission  
**Attachments:** Addiction Specialists Pro Practice Board - 06.2022 - 21NCAC68 Change Requests.docx

Good afternoon,

I'm the attorney who reviewed the Rules submitted by the NC Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board for the June 2022 Rules Review Commission meeting. The RRC will formally review these Rules at its meeting on Thursday, June 16, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be a hybrid of in-person and WebEx attendance, and an evite should be sent to you as we get closer to the meeting. If there are any other representatives from your agency who will want to attend virtually, let me know prior to the meeting, and we will get evites out to them as well.

I have attached my requests for changes. Please submit the revised Rules and forms to me via email, no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 10, 2022. In the meantime, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

**Lawrence Duke**

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