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Memorandum

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DATE: October 7, 2021

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SUBJECT: Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR) Briefing Memo for

Rule Set 2020-127 LR Psychology – General Rules

Rules Primer

The rules pertain to the licensure and practice of psychology. The rules are amended to provide clarity with respect to education and minimum requirements, examinations, supervision, telehealth, and licensure by endorsement.

Summary of the Final Proposed Rule

The proposed rules do all the following:

- Rescind the minimum English standard.
- Establish conditions related to consent, scope of practice, and standard of care for telehealth services.
- Update educational standards.
- Supply information about postdoctoral internship standards.
- Clarify the examination and needed passing score for licensure.
- Incorporate the recent legislative changes that allow licensure by endorsement for individuals licensed in another state or a province of Canada.
- Revise the requirements for verification of licenses held in other jurisdictions.

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- Clarify that supervision may take place via in-person or two-way real-time interaction between the supervisor and supervisee.
- Allow proof of licensure in a province of Canada for purposes of relicensure.

Stakeholder Engagement

Development of the proposed rules occurred in consultation with members of the Board of Psychology via rules committee work groups, which included the opportunity for the public and associations to attend and supply input. The web address for the work group minutes is https://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334 72600 72603 27529 27552 90891-496086--,00.html.

Public Engagement and Public Hearing/Comment/Information

The Department held a public hearing on September 9, at 9:00 a.m. No one spoke on the rules at the public hearing.

The public comment period ran from August 19, 2021, to September 9, 2021. The department received no written comments about the proposed revised rules.

Modifications Made Due to Public Comment

There were no changes made to the proposed rules based on comments received during the public comment period.

Significant Issues Not Incorporated in the Final Proposed Rules

No commenters raised any issues during the public comment period.

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