

# State Board of Licensed Social Workers

## Oregon Statutes and Administrative Rules Exam



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**INSTRUCTIONS:** Before you begin, make a copy of the last page which is the answer sheet. If you are not successful on your first attempt, then you will be able to retake the exam if necessary. When you have completed the exam, sign the certification and mail or fax only the answer sheet to our office. You will receive notification of your exam results in the mail. Proceed by circling the answer for each question (there is only one answer to each question). While it is expected that you should answer all questions correctly, you are allowed to miss up to three (3) answers and still pass.

**1. Which of the following statements is true about a statutorily imposed duty to report?**

- (a) Information received by the Board in a report required by ORS 675.583(1) is confidential.
- (b) A regulated social worker must report to the Board any information that appears to show that a holder of a license or certificate is, or may be guilty of unprofessional conduct.
- (c) Any person who reports or provides information to the Board under ORS 675.583(1) in good faith is not subject to an action for civil damages for providing the information.
- (d) All of the above.

**2. All regulated social workers are required to complete continuing education except:**

- (a) LCSW's
- (b) LMSW's
- (c) RBSW's
- (d) CSWA's

**3. Which of the following statements about an LCSW serving as a supervisor of an Associate is not true?**

- (a) The LCSW must be a member of the National Association of Social Workers.
- (b) The LCSW must have completed at least six hours of continuing education in techniques of supervision within the five years prior to commencing the supervision.
- (c) The LCSW may not supervise a family member.
- (d) The LCSW must have been licensed for at least two years prior to commencing the supervision.

**4. Which of the following statements describes an impaired regulated social worker as defined in the Oregon Revised Statutes:**

- (a) The regulated social worker uses a controlled substance or alcohol excessively or habitually so that the use impairs the regulated social worker's ability to practice with reasonable competence and safety.
- (b) The regulated social worker has a mental condition that impairs the social worker's ability to practice with reasonable competence and safety.
- (c) The regulated social worker is unable to engage in the practice of social work with the skill necessary to protect the public health.
- (d) All of the above

**5. Which of the following statements is true about a regulated social worker's statutorily imposed duty to report abuse of a person the licensee comes in contact with, even if the information of the abuse is received by the regulated social worker in a setting protected by client confidentiality:**

(I) The licensee is required to report a client with a criminal record.

(II) The licensee is required to report child abuse.

(III) The licensee is required to report elder abuse.

(a) Statement II only.

(b) Statement I and II only.

(c) Statement II and III only.

(d) Statements I, II, and III.

**6. Which of the following describes the requirements for the renewal of a license or certificate?**

(a) The applicant for renewal must have completed the requirements for continuing education required in Division 25 of the rules of the Board during the two years prior to the current renewal date on the applicant's license or certificate.

(b) The applicant for renewal must file a completed renewal application with a late fee if the application is submitted after the renewal date on the applicant's license or certificate.

(c) An authorization to practice regulated social work expires/lapses at the conclusion of the 30th day following the renewal date on the authorization, unless the holder of the authorization has met the renewal requirements in Board rules by that date.

(d) All of the above.

**7. A regulated social worker must hold in confidence information received in the course of professional contact with a client or potential client. When does this requirement begin?**

(a) At the point of initial contact.

(b) Only after the client first visits the office of the regulated social worker.

(c) Only after the regulated social worker and the client enter into a contract for services.

(d) Only after the regulated social worker has informed the client fully about the limits of confidentiality.

**8. Which situation would not be considered a dual relationship?**

- (a) A regulated social worker shares an office and waiting room facilities with another licensee.
- (b) A regulated social worker borrows money from a client.
- (c) A regulated social worker employs a client to work in the licensee's office.
- (d) A regulated social worker becomes romantically involved with a client.

**9. A Clinical social worker can best be described as a person who:**

- (a) Holds an MSW degree and works with a psychologist.
- (b) Holds a BSW degree and is employed by the State of Oregon to assist social workers.
- (c) Holds an MSW from an accredited college or university, and is licensed or certified by the Board of Licensed Social Workers to provide diagnostic, preventive and treatment services of a psychosocial nature with individuals, couples, families, and children.
- (d) None of the above.

**10. What are the possible sanctions the Board could impose against a regulated social worker who is found in violation of the Board's statutes pertaining to regulated social work practice?**

- (a) The Board could suspend, revoke, deny, or refuse to renew the regulated social worker's authorization to practice.
- (b) The Board could impose limitations or conditions on the regulated social worker's authorization to practice.
- (c) The Board could impose a civil penalty of up to \$3,000 per violation.
- (d) All of the above.

**11. A regulated social worker is responsible to do all but which of the following:**

- (a) Provide services to clients with professional skill and competence.
- (b) Meet with the client's mother when asked to do so by the client.
- (c) Serve clients of colleagues, during a temporary absence or emergency with the same professional competence as to his or her own clients.
- (d) Hold in confidence the information obtained in the course of professional contact between the regulated social worker and the client.

**12. According to the Rules Regulated social workers must obtain informed consent from a client before:**

- (a) Recording conversations with the client.
- (b) Permitting third-party observation of the client's activities.
- (c) Taping the client.
- (d) All of the above

**13. If a regulated social worker fails to report the required continuing education within the 30 days following the renewal date of their authorization to practice:**

- (a) The Board may initiate an investigation and a disciplinary proceeding.
- (b) The Board will revoke the license.
- (c) The renewal application will be incomplete if not complete at the end of the 30<sup>th</sup> day following the renewal period and therefore the authorization to practice will expire/lapse.
- (d) The failure to complete continuing education will be reported to the Oregon Department of Justice.

**14. A regulated social worker may reveal a client's information protected by confidentiality requirements in which of the following situations:**

- (a) The client's case is being discussed by the regulated social worker and the client's employer.
- (b) The information is shared by the regulated social worker in accordance with a release signed by the client.
- (c) The client's case is being discussed by the regulated social worker and the client's spouse.
- (d) The regulated social worker participates in an agency team meeting with other workers who do not have responsibility for the client's case.

**15. All of the following raise a concern of a dual relationship except:**

- (a) A regulated social worker provides therapy services to a close friend or a relative.
- (b) A regulated social worker provides therapy services to two people who have the same employer.
- (c) A regulated social worker dates a client currently receiving therapy services from the licensee.
- (d) A regulated social worker provides clinical supervision to the regulated social workers administrative supervisor.

- 16. A regulated social worker is required to report to the Board as soon as possible, but not later than 10 days, after which of the following:**
- (I) The regulated social worker is arrested for a felony crime, or receives notice of a civil lawsuit related to the regulated social worker's practice.
  - (II) The regulated social worker is convicted of a misdemeanor DUII for driving under the influence of intoxicants.
  - (III) The regulated social worker is hospitalized for in-patient psychiatric care.
- (a) Statement I only.
  - (b) Statements I and II only.
  - (c) Statements II and III only.
  - (d) Statements I, II, and III.
- 17. A regulated social worker's license/certificate will expire/lapse if the Board does not receive and accept a completed renewal of license/certificate, and required fee by what date:**
- (a) By the first day of January following the expiration of the license/certificate.
  - (b) By conclusion of the 30th day following the renewal month.
  - (c) By the last day of July following the expiration of the license/certificate.
  - (d) By the last day of the regulated social worker's hire date.
- 18. In which of the following situations is it appropriate to make a referral for a client?**
- (a) The regulated social worker believes a dual relationship is imminent.
  - (b) Circumstances require the regulated social worker to terminate or interrupt services to the client.
  - (c) The client appears to require services that are outside the regulated social workers competence.
  - (d) All of the above.
- 19. Which of the following is not a situation for which a disciplinary action against a regulated social worker by the Board would be appropriate?**
- (a) A regulated social worker is convicted in any state for a crime that is or would be a felony in Oregon.
  - (b) A regulated social worker reports a concern to the Board about the conduct of another regulated social worker which may present a danger to the public.
  - (c) A regulated social worker is convicted of a felony in federal court.
  - (d) A regulated social worker violates a provision in the Oregon statutes or the Board's administrative rules pertaining to regulated social work.

- 20. If a regulated social worker's authorization to practice is surrendered or revoked:**
- (a) The former regulated social worker may never apply for a new authorization to practice.
  - (b) The former regulated social worker may immediately reapply for an authorization to practice.
  - (c) The former regulated social worker may reapply for an authorization to practice (3) three years after the action was completed.
  - (d) The former regulated social worker may reapply for an authorization to practice after (6) months.
- 21. With respect to an approved plan of practice and supervision and the work of the Clinical Social Work Associate while supervised, which of the following statements is not true?**
- (a) The plan shows that the Associate will practice clinical social work while working under the plan.
  - (b) The Associate is required to complete a minimum of 50 hours of group supervision.
  - (c) The supervision of the Associate must take place in a professional setting.
  - (d) The Associate can request authorization from the Board to take the national exam any time after completing 75 hours of supervision.
- 22. Which of the following activities may not be used to meet the requirements for continuing education?**
- (a) A conference provided by a credentialing body recognized and approved by the Board.
  - (b) An in service, or agency-sponsored program attended by LMSWs/RBSWs.
  - (c) A course offered at a university not related to social work or mental health practice.
  - (d) Participation in a Board approved study group with a minimum of (5) five and maximum of (10) ten licensed mental health professionals.
- 23. Which of the following is true about the reporting obligations of a regulated social worker?**
- (a) As long as the regulated social worker meets his or her reporting obligations under the most current NASW Code of Ethics, the regulated social worker is automatically exempt from any reporting obligations to the Board.
  - (b) As long as the regulated social worker is only supervising, administering, or teaching clinical social work practice, no reporting obligations apply other than for the conduct the regulated social worker him or herself engages in.
  - (c) Regulated social workers may be required under some circumstances to report unprofessional or criminal conduct of persons licensed by another State of Oregon health regulatory Board directly to the Board of the licensee engaging in the unprofessional or criminal conduct.
  - (d) Regulated social workers only need to report unprofessional or criminal conduct if such conduct is perpetrated by a regulated social worker.

**24. Which of the following statements is not true concerning an Associate during the period of supervised work?**

- (a) Once the Associate is authorized by the Board to take the exams, the Associate is no longer required to receive and work under supervision.
- (b) The Associate must meet with a Board approved supervisor a minimum of two times each month for one hour each meeting, prior to approval to take the national exam.
- (c) The Associate may request a change to the approved plan of practice and supervision by submitting a request.
- (d) The Associate's plan of supervision must be identified and approved by the Board before the hours of supervision can be counted.

**25. In order to renew a license or certificate, a regulated social worker is not required to provide:**

- (a) Continuing education prior to the first renewal of the license or certificate.
- (b) Timely payment of the renewal fee.
- (c) A completed application for renewal.
- (d) Evidence of compliance with the requirements for continuing education, if requested by the Board.

**26. Which best describes the penalties that can be assessed if a license or certificate is not completed within the regulated social worker's birth month renewal date.**

- (a) LCSW's pay a \$200.00 late fee in the (30) thirty days following their birth month renewal date.
- (b) CSWA's pay a \$50.00 late fee in the (30) thirty days following their birth month renewal date.
- (c) LMSW's and RBSW's pay a \$50.00 late fee in the (30) thirty days following their birth month renewal date.
- (d) All of the above.

**27. Which of the following is part of the minimum requirements to supervise a Clinical Social Work Associate who is working toward licensure in Oregon?**

- (a) Licensed Masters Social Worker.
- (b) Licensed Clinical Social Worker licensed to practice as an LCSW for at least two years.
- (c) Licensed Professional Counselor.
- (d) Psychologist licensed by the Board of Psychologist Examiners or Psychiatrist licensed by the Oregon Board of Medical Examiners.

**28. Which of the following is true about the title “social worker” in the State of Oregon?**

- (a) Anyone can use this title “social worker” as it is not a protected title.
- (b) Anyone with a Board recognized degree in social work can use the title “social worker.”
- (c) A person may not use any title, words, or abbreviations, including the title “social worker” unless the person has a license or certificate through the Board of Licensed Social Workers.
- (d) If their employer’s job description or title states they are a social worker, they can call themselves a social worker.

**29. Which of the following is true about the practice of clinical social work?**

- (a) Regulated Social Workers licensed or certified as an LCSW or CSWA can practice clinical social work.
- (b) As long as a BSW holds a certificate of registration with the Board they can practice clinical social work.
- (c) A person who has an MSW degree can practice clinical social work without a license.
- (d) None of the above.

**30. Which of the following are exempt from the requirement to be certified as a Clinical Social Work Associate (CSWA) or licensed as a Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) in the State of Oregon, in order to practice clinical social work?**

- (a) A student in a social work graduate degree program.
- (b) A person who is licensed or certified by the State of Oregon to provide mental health services and practicing in an agency within the lawful scope of practice for that license or certification.
- (c) A person who is certified to provide alcohol and drug abuse prevention services, intervention services and treatment in compliance with rules adopted by the Director of Human Services under ORS 409.410(2)(f), and 490.420(1), provided that the person is acting within the lawful scope of practice for the person’s certification and does not represent that the person is a regulated social worker.
- (d) All of the above.

**END OF EXAM**

