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**Attention Behavioral Health Providers:**

**Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW) Post-Graduate Interns May Enroll as a Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP)**

The Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) has worked with the Board of Examiners (BOE) for Social Workers to confirm licensed providers may appropriately enroll as Nevada Medicaid providers, in accordance with licensure requirements set forth in Senate Bill (SB) 44. The Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW) Post-Graduate Intern may enroll as a Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP) (Specialty 300).

Effective immediately, an LMSW Post-Graduate Intern may enroll as a QMHP with a current licensure in Nevada and a letter of internship issued by the BOE for Social Workers. All BOE guidelines for Social Workers regarding Intern licensure will be followed for Nevada Medicaid enrollment. The [Provider Enrollment Checklists](#) for specialty 300 under PT 14 (Behavioral Health Outpatient Treatment) and PT 82 (Behavioral Health Rehabilitative Treatment) have both been updated to reflect this requirement.

- The enrollment application must include the approved letter of internship, not the supervisor letter. Email approval is not accepted.
- The intern must submit a current LMSW license (showing the M-####) - either the printed wallet card clearly indicating the active LMSW licensure, or a printout from the website reflecting both the LMSW license and active internship status.
  - NOTE: The M-#### licensure information is also what will be entered into the License Number field of the enrollment application.

License			
* Name of Issuing Licensing Board, State or Entity <input type="text"/>			
* License Number <input type="text"/>	* License State <input type="text"/>		
* Effective Date <input type="text"/>	* End Date <input type="text"/>		

- The requested effective date of the enrollment application must be on or after the effective date of the approved internship effective date.

An LMSW Post-Graduate Intern enrolling with the approved licensure and the letter may only link to an approved site listed on the letter. The Intern shall not be linked to any other agencies than those listed on their letter. The Intern must update their linkages by submitting an updated letter issued by the BOE for Social Workers. If the intern is linked to any groups not on their letter, then they must submit a new letter and/or unlink/link to the approved groups.

An LMSW without a Post-Graduate internship does not qualify for enrollment as a QMHP.

The Licensed Social Worker (LSW) does not qualify for enrollment as a QMHP.

For enrolled groups that are board-approved sites, please ensure that any applicable “doing business as (DBA)” information is included in your enrollment.

The Behavioral Health Unit (BHU) at Nevada Medicaid recommends that all providers enroll under their highest level of licensure and scope of practice. An LMSW Post-Graduate Intern who earns the status of Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) is encouraged to update their enrollment to an Independent Professional (PT 14 specialty 305 Licensed Clinical Social Worker). Independent Professionals may bill services independently or bill under the Agency/Entity/Group. QMHPs may only deliver and bill under the Behavioral Health agency/entity/group under which they are enrolled.

Please direct questions to the BHU email inbox: [BehavioralHealth@dncfp.nv.gov](mailto:BehavioralHealth@dncfp.nv.gov).