

Poverty Impact Statement

In compliance with Act 854 of the 2012 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, the poverty impact of this proposed Rule has been considered. It is anticipated that this proposed Rule will have no impact on child, individual, or family poverty in relation to individual or community asset development as described in R.S. 49:973.

Small Business Analysis

In compliance with the Small Business Protection Act, the economic impact of this proposed Rule on small businesses has been considered. It is anticipated that this proposed Rule may impact the staffing level requirements and/or qualifications required to provide the same level of service, and may result in an indeterminable increase in direct costs. The total fiscal impact of this proposed Rule is indeterminable since there is no way to estimate how many hospitals will be required to employ additional staff.

Provider Impact Statement

In compliance with House Concurrent Resolution (HCR) 170 of the 2014 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, the provider impact of this proposed Rule has been considered. It is anticipated that this proposed Rule may impact the staffing level requirements and/or qualifications required to provide the same level of service, and may result in an indeterminable increase in direct costs. The total fiscal impact of this proposed Rule is indeterminable since there is no way to estimate how many hospitals will be required to employ additional staff.

Public Comments

Interested persons may submit written comments to Cecile Castello, RN, Health Standards Section, P.O. Box 3767, Baton Rouge, LA 70821. Ms. Castello is responsible for responding to inquiries regarding this proposed Rule. The deadline for submitting written comments is at 4:30 p.m. on January 2, 2026.

Public Hearing

Interested persons may submit a written request to conduct a public hearing by U.S. mail to the Office of the Secretary ATTN: LDH Rulemaking Coordinator, Post Office Box 629, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-0629; however, such request must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on January 10, 2026. If the criteria set forth in R.S. 49:953(A)(2)(a) are satisfied, LDH will conduct a public hearing at 9:30 a.m. on February 4, 2026 in Room 118 of the Bienville Building, which is located at 628 North Fourth Street, Baton Rouge, LA. To confirm whether or not a public hearing will be held, interested persons should first call Allen Enger at (225) 342-1342 after January 10, 2026. If a public hearing is to be held, all interested persons are invited to attend and present data, views, comments, or arguments, orally or in writing. In the event of a hearing, parking is available to the public in the Galvez Parking Garage, which is located between North Sixth and North Fifth/North and Main Streets (cater-corner from the Bienville Building).

Bruce D. Greenstein
Secretary

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES RULE TITLE: Hospitals Licensing Standards

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (Summary)

It is anticipated that implementation of this proposed Rule will have no programmatic fiscal impact to the state or local governmental units other than the cost of promulgation in FY 26. It is anticipated that \$639 SGR will be expended in FY 26 for the state's administrative expense for promulgation of this proposed Rule and the final Rule.

This proposed Rule amends the provisions governing the licensing of hospitals in order to comply with the requirements of Act 77 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature to require in-house obstetric anesthesia personnel on a 24-hour basis.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

It is anticipated that implementation of this proposed Rule will have no impact on state or local revenue collections. This is a licensing Rule that does not add any licensing fees.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

It is anticipated that this proposed Rule may impact the staffing level requirements and/or qualifications required to provide the same level of service, and may result in an increase in direct costs. The total fiscal impact of this proposed Rule is indeterminable since there is no way to estimate how many hospitals may be required to employ additional staff.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

The proposed Rule is not anticipated to effect competition, but may increase the need for additional staff for some licensed hospitals.

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NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Health Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners

PLMFT Educational Licensure Requirements
(LAC 46:LX.3309, 3311, and 3315)

In accordance with the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Administrative Procedures Act (R.S.49:950 et seq.) and through the authority of the Mental Health Counselor Licensing Act (R.S. 37:1101 et seq.), the Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners proposes technical rule revision to clarify and update provisions governing the academic, coursework, supervision, and practice requirements for provisional licensed marriage and family therapists (PLMFTs). The Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners hereby gives Notice of Intent to propose changes to Chapter 33, Section 3309, 3311, and 3315 for publication in the December 20, 2025, edition of the *Louisiana Register*.

Title 46
PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL
STANDARDS REVISED

Part LX. Professional Counselors

Subpart 2. Professional Standards for Licensed
Marriage and Family Therapists and Provisional
Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists

Chapter 33. Requirements for Licensure and
Provisional Licensure

§3309. Academic Requirements for MFT Licensure or
Provisional Licensure
[Formerly §3311]

A. - A.3. ...

4. Repealed

B. - D. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1101-1123.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners, LR 29:156 (February 2003), amended LR 29:2785 (December 2003), LR 35:1113 (June 2009), LR 37:1602 (June 2011), repromulgated LR 37:2163 (July 2011), amended LR 38:1965 (August 2012), repromulgated LR 41:741 (April 2015), amended by the Department of Health, Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners, LR 43:1982 (October 2017), amended LR 45:1204 (September 2019), LR 49:1086 (June 2023), LR 52:

§3311. Coursework and Academic Supervision
Requirements, for Options 2, 3, and 4

A. - A.8. ...

9. Repealed

B. - B.2. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R. S. 37:1101-1123.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners, LR 37:1602 (June 2011), repromulgated LR 37:2163 (July 2011), amended LR 38:1966 (August 2012), LR 41:742 (April 2015), amended by the Department of Health, Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners, LR 43:1983 (October 2017), LR 49:1087 (June 2023), LR 52:

§3315. Application, Practice, and Renewal
Requirements for Provisional Licensed
Marriage and Family Therapists

A. - C.1. ...

a. At least 1500 hours must qualify as direct work experience. Direct work experience received during the completion of a graduate program that is systemically oriented as determined by the advisory committee may be counted toward the required 2000 hours.

C.1.b. - C.2. ...

a. Face-to-face supervisor contact received during the completion of the applicant's qualifying academic experience graduate program that is systemically oriented as determined by the advisory committee may be counted toward the required 200 hours of qualified supervision.

C.3. - F.5.iv. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 37:1101-1123.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners, LR 29:158 (February 2003), amended LR 29:2787 (December 2003), LR 35:1114 (June 2009), LR 38:1966 (August 2012), LR 39:1806 (July 2013), LR 41:742 (April 2015), amended by the Department of Health, Licensed Professional Counselors

Board of Examiners, LR 43:1983 (October 2017), LR 45:1204 (September 2019), LR 47:1529 (October 2021), LR 50:1848 (December 2024), LR 50:1851 (December 2024), effective April 1, 2027, repromulgated LR 51:403 (March 2025), LR 52:

Family Impact Statement

In compliance with Act 1183 of the 1999 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, the impact of these rules on family has been considered. This proposal to create licensee statuses has no impact on family functioning, stability, or autonomy as described in R.S. 49:972.

Poverty Impact Statement

The proposed Rule should not have any known or foreseeable impact on any child, individual, or family as defined by R.S. 49:973.B. In particular, there should be no known or foreseeable effect on:

1. the effect on household income, assets, and financial security;
2. the effect on early childhood development and preschool through postsecondary education development;
3. the effect on employment and workforce development;
4. the effect on taxes and tax credits;
5. the effect on child and dependent care, housing, health care, nutrition, transportation, and utilities assistance.

Small Business Analysis

Pursuant to R.S. 49:965.6, methods for reduction of the impact on small business, as defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act, have been considered when creating this proposed Rule. This proposed Rule is not anticipated to have an adverse impact on small businesses; therefore, a Small Business Economic Impact Statement has not been prepared.

Provider Impact Statement

The proposed change should not have any known or foreseeable impact on providers as defined by HCR 170 of 2014 Regular Legislative Session. In particular, there should be no known or foreseeable effect on:

1. the effect on the staffing level requirements or qualifications required to provide the same level of service;
2. the total direct and indirect effect on the cost to the providers to provide the same level of service; or
3. the overall effect on the ability of the provider to provide the same level of service.

Public Comments

Interested persons may submit written comments to Jamie S. Doming, Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners, 11410 Lake Sherwood Avenue North Suite A, Baton Rouge, LA 70816 by January 10, 2026, at 5 p.m.

Jamie S. Doming
Executive Director

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES
RULE TITLE: PLMFT Educational Licensure
Requirements

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO
STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (Summary)

Other than the cost of rulemaking, there are no estimated implementation costs or savings for state or local government units resulting from the promulgation of the proposed rule change. The cost for the Louisiana Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners is approximately \$600 in FY 26 for the notice and rule publication in the *Louisiana Register*.

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II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

The proposed rule change is not anticipated to impact the revenue collections of state or local governmental units.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

The proposed rule change is not anticipated to impact small businesses or non-governmental groups. There are no expected economic losses. The rule does not change the current academic requirements that are set forth by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP). This rule simply removes language to not create confusion. It does not create any new financial or administrative requirements.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

The proposed rule change will have no effect on competition or employment.

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NOTICE OF INTENT

**Department of Insurance
Office of the Commissioner**

Regulation 138—Premium Discount for Dashboard Cameras with Telematic Systems:

Commercial Motor Vehicles (LAC 37:XIII.Chapter 213)

The Department of Insurance, pursuant to the authority of the Louisiana Insurance Code, R.S. 22:1 et seq., and in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., hereby gives notice of its intent to promulgate Regulation 138—Premium Discount for Dashboard Cameras with Telematic Systems: Commercial Motor Vehicles.

The Premium Discount for Dashboard Cameras with Telematic Systems: Commercial Motor Vehicles, enacted through the passage of Act 19 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, requires insurers to provide a premium discount for the liability portions of policies covering commercial motor vehicles equipped with dashboard cameras and telematics systems.

Title 37

INSURANCE

Part XIII. Regulations

Chapter 213. Regulation Number 138—Premium Discount for Dashboard Cameras with Telematic Systems: Commercial Motor Vehicles

§21301. Purpose

A. The purpose of Regulation 138 is to enhance public safety, reduce insurance fraud, and lower costs of claims by incentivizing the use of dashboard cameras paired with telematics systems in commercial motor vehicles, thereby warranting a reduction in liability insurance premiums.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 22:1, 22:11, 22:1482.2, Act 19, 2025 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature and the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Insurance, Office of the Commissioner, LR 52:

§21303. Applicability and Scope

A. Regulation 138 shall apply to all admitted insurers authorized to issue commercial motor vehicle insurance in Louisiana.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 22:1, 22:11, 22:1482.2, Act 19, 2025 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature and the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Insurance, Office of the Commissioner, LR 52:

§21305. Definitions

A. For the purposes of Regulation 138, the following terms are defined as follows:

1. *Commercial Motor Vehicle*—the same as the term is defined in R.S. 32:401 and includes fleet operations.

2. *Commissioner*—the Louisiana Commissioner of Insurance.

3. *Dashboard Camera*—a dashboard-mounted video recording device capable of continuous loop recording with a minimum resolution of 1080p, designed to capture footage of the road ahead of the vehicle.

4. *Liability Premium*—the portion of an insurance premium attributable to bodily injury liability and property damage liability coverage under a commercial motor vehicle insurance policy.

5. *Telematics System*—a device or software integrated with a vehicle that collects and transmits real-time data on driving behavior, including but not limited to speed, braking, and mileage, to an insurer, fleet owner, or third-party vendor designated by an insurer or policyholder.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 22:1, 22:11, 22:1482.2, Act 19, 2025 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature and the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Insurance, Office of the Commissioner, LR 52:

§21307. Premium Discounts Required

A. Every insurer authorized to issue commercial motor vehicle insurance policies in this state, except for a surplus lines insurer, shall provide a discount on the liability premium for each commercial motor vehicle equipped with a dashboard camera and telematics system meeting the requirements set forth in this Regulation 138.

B. The discount required in this subsection does not extend to collision, comprehensive, or other coverage types unless otherwise determined by the insurer.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 22:1, 22:11, 22:1482.2, Act 19, 2025 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature and the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Insurance, Office of the Commissioner, LR 52:

§21309. Amount of Discount

A. The insurer shall provide the discount in an amount actuarially justified based on loss experience, claims data, or other relevant factors.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 22:1, 22:11, 22:1482.2, Act 19, 2025 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature and the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Insurance, Office of the Commissioner, LR 52: