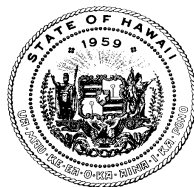


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In reply, please refer to:
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TO: All Contracted Agencies

FROM: John O. Viesselman, M.D.
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SUBJECT: **Supervising Mental Health Professional**

CAMHD is issuing this clarification to the Interagency Performance Standards and Practice Guidelines (IPSPG) supervision and credentialing requirements. CAMHD will allow a credentialed Mental Health Professional (MHP) to apply for a Supervising MHP waiver that will allow the Supervising MHP to perform the supervision responsibilities of a Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP). The Supervising MHP cannot replace the program QMHP who oversees all clinical functions in the program.

An MHP who meets the following requirements may apply for a supervision waiver:

- Document 5 years experience in mental health treatment with children/adolescents (including practicum);
- Provide 3 written references from a QMHP level individual who can attest to the MHP's ability to supervise; and
- Documentation and description of the supervisory training received by the MHP through the agency's QMHP.

Submit documentation and cover letter to the CAMHD Medical Director via the Clinical Service Office. Once approved by CAMHD, the Supervising MHP must meet the QMHP supervision requirements on page 20 of the IPSPG, "A QMHP shall participate in peer reviews at least two (2) hours per month as evidenced by documentation in their supervision file."

We appreciate your compliance with this clarification. Should you have any questions, please call me at 733-9230 or e-mail me at joviesse@camhmis.health.state.hi.us.

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