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### **Positions Statements Related to Substance Abuse Counselors Issued by the Joint Board of Marriage & Family Therapy, Professional Counseling and Social Work**

#### **MAY A SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING PROVIDE COUNSELING SERVICES?**

As noted in [Ch. SPS 163](#), an SAC-IT may provide counseling only if authorized by the clinical supervisor. This authorization can only come after an SAC-IT has completed 300 hours of supervised training or work experience.

#### **REQUIREMENTS FOR SUPERVISION (WHO MAY SUPERVISE?)**

In order to provide supervision to Substance Abuse Counselors, an individual must be certified by the Department as a Clinical Supervisor, Intermediate Clinical Supervisor, or Clinical Supervisor-In –Training, unless exempt under [SPS 162.02](#). (See [SPS 161.05](#) for information on supervisor certification.) Only Clinical Supervisors may supervise Intermediate Clinical Supervisors and Clinical Supervisors-In-Training. Also, Clinical Supervisors-In-Training may not supervise the experience of Substance Abuse Counselors-In-Training. The requirements for supervision are outlined in [Ch. SPS 162](#), Wisc. Admin Code.

#### **IS THERE A CODE OF ETHICS FOR THIS PROFESSION?**

[Ch SPS 164](#), Wisc. Admin Code provides information about unprofessional conduct of substance abuse professionals.