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## PUBLIC NOTICE

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### COUNSELING AND THERAPY PRACTICE BOARD CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS DURING THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-004

Due to the public health emergency declared by Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham in Executive Order 2020-004, and the Department of Health's Amended Public Health Order dated March 19, 2020, individuals licensed under the New Mexico Counseling and Therapy Practice Board (Board) are permitted to obtain the required 40 CEU hours for renewal online or through home-/self-study. This exemption will remain in place until the Public Health Orders are lifted and the licensee's next renewal is met.

Included in the required 40 CEU hours, licensees must still obtain 6 CEUs in Ethics. Additionally, licensees providing supervision must also obtain 3 CEUs specific to counseling supervision as part of the 40 CEU hours.

The Counseling and Therapy Practice Board will grant a two-month extension for CEUs upon receipt of a written request. Failure to submit evidence of completing the required CEUs by the end of the two-month extension will result in disciplinary action taken against the license by the Board.

If there are questions or concerns regarding live events that were already registered for, please contact the training's sponsor for information on how it will be handled.

Licensees that have registered for live trainings and seminars must contact the event's sponsor directly for information pertaining to any changes with the training.

For individuals licensed under the Board as CEU Providers, the Board only approves the training content to ensure its appropriateness for licensees. The Board does not dictate specific modes for trainings. It is the Provider's discretion to determine the presentation mode of the approved material.

*/s/ Bentley Oliver*

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