

(Effective January 1, 2025)

WAC 246-821-215 BHSS practicum supervisor requirements. (1) A behavioral health support specialist practicum supervisor must be licensed in the state of Washington, with no restrictions, as one of the following provider types:

(a) Independent clinical social worker or associate licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW;

(b) Marriage and family therapist or associate licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW;

(c) Mental health counselor or associate licensed under chapter 18.225 RCW;

(d) Psychiatric advanced practice registered nurse licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW;

(e) Psychologist or associate licensed under chapter 18.83 RCW; or

(f) Other credentialed provider listed in WAC 246-821-410 who is competent to assess, diagnose, and treat behavioral health conditions and support a student BHSS appropriately.

(2) A practicum supervisor may not be a blood or legal relative, significant other, cohabitant of the student, or someone who has provided behavioral health counseling to a student in the past two years.

(3) A practicum supervisor or, if unavailable, an alternative designated provider shall review and sign all BHSS student clinical practicum documentation. Any alternative designated provider signing on behalf of the practicum supervisor shall also meet the supervisor requirements of this section.

(4) A practicum supervisor is responsible for all clients treated by a BHSS student they supervise.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.227.020, chapter 18.227 RCW, and 2023 c 270. WSR 24-21-083, s 246-821-215, filed 10/16/24, effective 1/1/25.]