REGULATORY IMPACT ANALYSIS AND TIERING STATEMENT

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Subject Headings: Alcohol and Drug Counselors, Boards and Commissions, Ethics

(1) Provide a brief summary of:

(a) What this administrative regulation does: This administrative regulation establishes the code of ethics and scope of practice for credential holders.

(b) The necessity of this administrative regulation: The necessity of this regulation is to establish a general code of ethics and scope of practice to govern the behavior of credential holders.

(c) How this administrative regulation conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes: The regulation is in conformity as the authorizing statute gives the board the ability to promulgate regulations regarding the code of ethics and standards of practice for credential holders.

(d) How this administrative regulation currently assists or will assist in the effective administration of the statutes: This regulation will assist in establishing the expected ethical behavior of credential holders and protect the public seeking alcohol and drug related services.

(2) If this is an amendment to an existing administrative regulation, provide a brief summary of:

(a) How the amendment will change this existing administrative regulation: N/A.

(b) The necessity of the amendment to this administrative regulation: N/A.

(c) How the amendment conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes: N/A.

(d) How the amendment will assist in the effective administration of the statutes: N/A.

(3) Does this administrative regulation or amendment implement legislation from the previous five years?: No.

(4) List the type and number of individuals, businesses, organizations, or state and local governments affected by this administrative regulation: This administrative regulation will affect all current credential holders, which includes the following as of September 29, 2026:

License Type:	Number of Licensees:
LADC (Licensed Alcohol & Drug Counselor)	26

LCADC (Licensed Clinical Alcohol & Drug Counselor)	717
LCADCA (Licensed Clinical Alcohol & Drug Counselor Associate)	34
CADC (Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselor)	500
TCADC (Temporary Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselor)	1122
CADCA II (Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselor Associate – II)	88
CADCA I (Certified Alcohol & Drug Counselor Associate – I)	209
RADPSS (Registered Alcohol & Drug Peer Support Specialist)	291
TRADPSS (Temporary Registered Alcohol & Drug Peer Support Specialist)	1170
CCS (Certified Clinical Supervisor)	212
TOTAL:	4369

(5) Provide an analysis of how the entities identified in question (4) will be impacted by either the implementation of this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change, if it is an amendment, including:

(a) List the actions that each of the regulated entities identified in question (4) will have to take to comply with this administrative regulation or amendment: A credential holder will be required to comply with the code of ethics and scope of practice or be subject to possible disciplinary action.

(b) In complying with this administrative regulation or amendment, how much will it cost each of the entities identified in question (4):There are no known new costs associated with this administrative regulation.

(c) As a result of compliance, what benefits will accrue to the entities identified in question (4): The credential holders will know the ethical standards expected of them by the board.

(6) Provide an estimate of how much it will cost the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation:

(a) Initially: No new costs will be incurred by the changes.

(b) On a continuing basis: No new costs will be incurred by the changes.

(7) What is the source of funding to be used for the implementation and enforcement of this administrative regulation: The board's operations are funded by fees paid by credential holders and applicants.

(8) Provide an assessment of whether an increase in fees or funding will be necessary to implement this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change if it is an amendment: There are no increases in fees or funding required to implement this administrative regulation.

(9) State whether or not this administrative regulation establishes any fees or directly or indirectly increases any fees: There are no fees or fee increases associated with the amendments.

(10) TIERING: Is tiering applied? (Explain why or why not): Tiering was not applied as the regulation is applicable to all credential holders. This regulation does not distinguish between similarly situated individuals on the basis of any factor.