

security or investigative techniques or procedures or undercover personnel;

4. Records relating to or which form the basis of discipline, discharge, promotion, transfer, employee performance, employee evaluation or other related activities, whether open, closed or inactive, except for the final agency determination;

5. That portion of any inventory of State and local emergency resources compiled and any policies or plans compiled by an agency pertaining to the mobilization, deployment, or tactical operations involved in responding to emergencies, including employee emergency contact information, which, if disclosed, would substantially interfere with the State's ability to protect and defend the State and its citizens against acts of sabotage or terrorism, or which, if disclosed, would materially increase the risk or consequences of potential acts of terrorism or sabotage;

6. Records pertaining to the collective negotiations process; and

7. The duty assignment of an individual law enforcement officer or any personally identifiable information that may reveal or lead to information that may reveal such duty assignment, including, but not limited to, overtime data pertaining to an individual law enforcement officer.

(a)

**DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY
THERAPY EXAMINERS
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR EXAMINERS
COMMITTEE**

**Professional Counselor: Application and
Educational Requirements; Associate Counselor:
Application and Educational Requirements**

Adopted Amendments: N.J.A.C. 13:34-11.2 and 11.5

Proposed: June 20, 2011 at 43 N.J.R. 1414(a).

Adopted: October 13, 2011 by the State Board of Marriage and

Family Therapy Examiners, Ben K. Beitin, Ph.D., Chairperson.

Filed: October 27, 2011 as R.2011 d.286, **without change**.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:8B-13, 45:8B-34, and 45:8B-38.

Effective Date: December 5, 2011.

Expiration Date: September 10, 2016.

Summary of Public Comments and Agency Responses:

The Board received comments on the proposal from the following individuals:

1. Jennifer Ann Short, Ph.D., Director of Institutional Relations and Policy Analysis, Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in New Jersey;

2. Sister Francis Raftery, President, College of Saint Elizabeth;

3. Nancy H. Blattner, Ph.D., O.P.A., President, Caldwell College;

4. Barbara-Jayne Lewthwaite, Ph.D., President, Centenary College;

5. Catherine C. Walters, O.P., Ph.D., Program Coordinator, Graduate Programs in Counseling, Caldwell College;

6. A. Gabriel Esteban, Ph.D., President, Seton Hall University;

7. James S. Wulach, Ph.D., J.D., New Jersey Counseling Coalition;

8. Harriett Gaddy, Ph.D., Graduate Counseling Program Director, Centenary College;

9. Parviz Ansari, Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Rowan University;

10. Thomas C. Barrett, Ph.D., Assistant Professor and Program Chair for Psychology, College of Saint Elizabeth;

11. John E. Smith, Ed.D., Academic Director, Online MA Professional Counseling Program, Seton Hall University; and

12. Laura Palmer, Ph.D., L.P.C., M.S.C.P., Chair, Department of Professional Psychology and Family Therapy, Seton Hall University.

COMMENT: All of the commenters expressed their support for, and urged the Board to immediately adopt, the proposed amendments to

N.J.A.C. 13:34-11.2 and 11.5. The commenters believe that the proposed changes will have a positive social and economic impact on counseling degree programs that have not obtained CACREP accreditation, students enrolled in such programs, and members of the general public seeking counseling services.

RESPONSE: The Board thanks the commenters for their support of the proposed amendments to N.J.A.C. 13:34-11.2 and 11.5.

Federal Standards Statement

A Federal standards analysis is not required because the adopted amendments are governed by N.J.S.A. 45:8B-1 et seq., and are not subject to any Federal standards or requirements.

Full text of the adoption follows:

**SUBCHAPTER 11. PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND
ASSOCIATE COUNSELORS: APPLICATION
PROCEDURE; DEFINITIONS**

13:34-11.2 Professional counselor: application and educational requirements

(a) (No change.)

(b) An applicant shall be required to submit documentation that the coursework he or she has completed meets the education requirements set forth in (a) above, if the official transcript has not been issued by an educational institution, which at the time of the applicant's graduation:

1. Was accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) or its successor; or

2. Had obtained program approval from the Committee, after its review of documentation, including course descriptions and syllabi, demonstrating that the curriculum meets the requirements set forth in (a) above.

13:34-11.5 Associate counselor: application and educational requirements

(a) (No change.)

(b) An applicant shall be required to submit documentation that the coursework he or she has completed meets the education requirements set forth in (a) above, if the official transcript has not been issued by an educational institution, which at the time of the applicant's graduation:

1. Was accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) or its successor; or

2. Had obtained program approval from the Committee, after its review of documentation, including course descriptions and syllabi, demonstrating that the curriculum meets the requirements set forth in (a) above.

(b)

**DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
Compassionate Use Medical Marijuana
Adopted New Rules: N.J.A.C. 13:35-7A**

Proposed: November 15, 2010 at 42 N.J.R. 2728(a).

Adopted: October 12, 2011 by Paul Jordan, M.D., President, Board of Medical Examiners.

Filed: November 7, 2011 as R.2011 d.292, **with substantial changes** not requiring additional public notice and comment (see N.J.A.C. 1:30-6.3).

Authority: N.J.S.A. 24:6I-1 et seq. (P.L. 2009, c. 307).

Effective Date: December 5, 2011.

Expiration Date: May 3, 2018.

Summary of Public Comments and Agency Responses:

The Board of Medical Examiners (Board) received comments on the notice of proposal from the following:

1. Justin Escher Alpert;

2. Carolyn Torre, R.N., M.A., A.P.N., Director, Regulatory Affairs, New Jersey State Nurses Association; and