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**AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 121202(b)(1) TO ARTICLE 12
OF CHAPTER 12, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED,
RELATIVE TO REGULATING THE TRAINING OF
CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGISTS TO ALLOW FOR
SUPERVISION IN GUAM.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that clinical psychologists are crucial in providing care in mental and behavioral health and wellbeing for people on our island. Over one billion people globally are living with mental health disorders, and the island of Guam is not excluded from this count. Clinical psychologists aid in the diagnosis and treatment of these disorders.

1 *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* further finds that it is difficult for interns in clinical
2 psychology to find opportunities to complete post-doctorate training before
3 licensure. Throughout the states, in compliance with national guidelines for
4 psychology, licensed clinical psychologists are able to supervise students and interns
5 of psychology so that they may obtain the clinical hours required for licensure.

6 It is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to establish a clear framework for
7 training of post-doctorate interns of clinical psychology under the Guam Board of
8 Allied Health by adding Article 12, Chapter 12, Title 10, Guam Code Annotated to
9 define who can supervise these interns.

10 **Section 2.** A new § 121202(b)(1) is *added* to Article 12 of Chapter 12, Title
11 10, Guam Code Annotated, to read:

12 “(1) An individual who has not completed one (1) year of post-
13 graduate clinical experience, or who cannot document such experience under
14 the supervision of a Clinical Psychologist, Psychiatrist or other licensed
15 professional deemed by the Board to be substantially equivalent, may satisfy
16 the post-doctoral clinical experience requirement in a board-approved post-
17 doctoral supervised experience program.

18 (A) The post-doctoral supervised experience program must be
19 approved by the Board prior to the applicant’s participation;

20 (B) Supervision shall be provided by a licensed Clinical
21 Psychologist, Psychiatrist, or other licensed professional deemed by the
22 board to be substantially equivalent, who is authorized to provide such
23 supervision in the United States, its territories, or in a foreign
24 jurisdiction that the Board determines, on a case by case basis,
25 maintains licensure and supervision standards substantially equivalent
26 to those of the United States:

1 (i) In determining substantial equivalence under this
2 Subsection, the Board shall consider the supervisor's education,
3 professional licensure, scope of practice, clinical experience,
4 competency to supervise the clinical services being performed,
5 and applicable nationally recognized professional supervision
6 standard.

7 (C) Any individual providing supervision within Guam shall:

8 (i) hold a current and valid license as a Clinical
9 Psychologist or other licensed profession deemed by the Board
10 to be substantially equivalent;

11 (ii) have held such license for a minimum of three (3)
12 years; and

13 (iii) be approved by the Board to provide supervision.

14 (D) A postdoctoral residency program accredited by the
15 American Psychological Association (APA), or its successor
16 accrediting organization, shall be deemed approved by the Board for
17 purposes of satisfying the post-graduate clinical experience
18 requirement under this Subsection. An applicant who successfully
19 completes such an APA-accredited postdoctoral residency program
20 shall be deemed to have satisfied the program approval requirement
21 established by this Subsection, subject to the applicant otherwise
22 meeting all applicable licensure requirements.

23 (E) The Board shall not require separate approval,
24 accreditation, or substantially equivalent program review of a
25 postdoctoral residency program that is accredited by the American
26 Psychological Association (APA), or its successor accrediting
27 organization, as a condition of recognizing the applicant's successful

1 completion of such program for purposes of licensure under this
2 Section.

3 (F) Supervision may be provided in person or through secure,
4 real-time telecommunications, subject to standards established by the
5 Board. Such standards shall ensure appropriate supervisor availability,
6 protection of patient confidentiality, emergency response procedures,
7 direct observation or other appropriate evaluation of clinical
8 competency, and shall identify circumstances in which in-person
9 supervision is required.”

10 **Section 3. Effective Date.** This Act shall take effect upon enactment.