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**TITLE 839 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES LICENSING BOARD**

**Notice of Public Comment Period for Rule Readoption**  
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Readopts rules in anticipation of [IC 4-22-2.6](#), providing that an administrative rule adopted under [IC 4-22-2](#) expires January 1 of the fifth year after the year in which the rule takes effect unless the rule contains an earlier expiration date. Effective 30 days after filing with the publisher.

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** [IC 4-22-2.6](#)

**OVERVIEW**

Rules to be readopted without changes are as follows:

<a href="#">839 IAC 1-1</a>	Definitions
<a href="#">839 IAC 1-2</a>	Licensure and Fees
<a href="#">839 IAC 1-3</a>	Social Workers; Clinical Social Workers
<a href="#">839 IAC 1-4</a>	Marriage and Family Therapists
<a href="#">839 IAC 1-5</a>	Mental Health Counselors
<a href="#">839 IAC 1-5.5</a>	Addiction Counselors; Clinical Addiction Counselors
<a href="#">839 IAC 1-6</a>	Continuing Education
<a href="#">839 IAC 1-7</a>	Convictions of Concern

Rules to be repealed are as follows:

None

**SUMMARY OF FINDINGS UNDER [IC 4-22-2.6-4](#)**

All of the proposed readopted rules remain necessary and meet the standards set forth in [IC 4-22-2-19.5](#). No less costly or less intrusive alternative methods of achieving the purposes of the rules have been identified. The rules avoid duplicating standards found in state or federal law, are written for ease of comprehension for the entities subject to them, and have practicable enforcement. There have been no significant changes to the cost benefit, fiscal impact, or regulatory burden statements prepared for the initial adoption of the proposed readopted rules.

**REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS**

At this time, the Behavioral Health and Human Services Licensing Board solicits the following:

- (1) The submission of alternative ways to achieve the purpose of the rule.
- (2) The submission of suggestions for the development of draft rule language.

Comments may be submitted in one of the following ways:

- (1) By mail or common carrier to the following address:

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Indiana Professional Licensing Agency  
402 West Washington Street, Room W072  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

- (2) By electronic mail to [cvaught@pla.in.gov](mailto:cvaught@pla.in.gov). To confirm timely delivery of submitted comments, please request a document receipt when sending the electronic mail. **PLEASE NOTE: Electronic mail comments will not be considered part of the official written comment period unless they are sent to the address indicated in this notice.**

**COMMENT PERIOD DEADLINE**

All comments must be postmarked or time stamped not later than April 12, 2024.

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