



ALASKA STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

POSITION STATEMENT: Alternate and Distance Supervision Requests

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PURPOSE:

The Board of Social Work Examiners holds to the following position regarding Alternate and Distance Supervision Requests

HISTORY: Multiple inquiries were submitted to the Licensing Examiner for the Alaska State Board of Social Work Examiners regarding the requirements for submitting Alternate and Distance Supervision Requests, per 12 AAC 18.115.

SUMMARY: Alternate/Distance supervision requests, submitted in accordance with 12 AAC 18.115, must include the following:

- Distance Supervision Requests (via “face-to-face meetings” in accordance with the definition provided in 12 AAC 18.115(f) but outside of place of employment) require a signed and dated letter from employer, a letter from the proposed supervisor and a letter from the individual/applicant submitting the request.
- Alternate Supervision Requests (proposed supervisor not being a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Psychologist or Psychiatrist qualified under 12 AAC 18.115(b)(2) but within place of employment), with proof of extenuating circumstances, require a signed and dated letter from the proposed supervisor and a letter from the individual/applicant requesting the exception.