

ASWB has proposed a mobility standard for LCSW candidates that includes the following four components:

1. MSW from a CSWE accredited school
2. 3,000 hours of supervised practice
3. Passing the ASWB exam
4. No disciplinary action

Wisconsin's regulations require additional criteria be met for an LCSW to be granted. These are noted below each category below.

1. MSW from a CSWE accredited school
  - a. Psychopathology course
  - b. Two additional clinical courses
  - c. Clinical field placement
2. 3,000 hours of supervised practice
  - a. 1,000 hours of face to face related to diagnosis and treatment (recently reduced to 600)
3. Passing the ASWB exam
  - a. Jurisprudence exam
4. No disciplinary action

While neither ASWB nor Wisconsin are immediately prepared to use the ASWB mobility standard, this document provides some structure to consider granting a Wisconsin LCSW to candidates who have an LCSW in another state. This provides several advantages: more rapid licensure for social workers who have job opportunities in Wisconsin; more efficient processing of applications; better ability to support epractice.

#### Possible Solutions

A possible approach is to use a temporary licensure period to have applicants with a LCSW in another state complete additional requirements. This would allow a license to be granted immediately to applicants with basic requirements who agree to fulfill certain criteria within a time limit.

CSWE has improved its standards with the 2008 and then 2015 updated standards. This may be worth exploring to determine if MPSW still needs all of the additional requirements listed above.