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(a) "Practice as a social service worker" means performance of general entry level services under general supervision of a mental health therapist through the application of social work theory, methods, and ethics in order to enhance the social or psychosocial functioning of an individual, a couple, a family, a group, or a community, including:

(i) conducting:

(A) a non-clinical psychosocial assessment; or

(B) a home study;

(ii) collaborative planning and goal setting;

(iii) ongoing case management;

(iv) progress monitoring;

(v) supportive counseling;

(vi) information gathering;

(vii) making referrals; and

(viii) engaging in advocacy.

(b) "Practice as a social service worker" does not include:

(i) diagnosing or treating mental illness; or

(ii) providing psychotherapeutic services to an individual, couple, family, group, or community.

(3) "Practice of clinical social work" includes:

(a) the practice of mental health therapy by observation, description, evaluation, interpretation, intervention, and treatment to effect modification of behavior by the application of generally recognized professional social work principles, methods, and procedures for the purpose of preventing, treating, or eliminating mental or emotional illness or dysfunction, the symptoms of any of these, or maladaptive behavior;

(b) the application of generally recognized psychotherapeutic and social work principles and practices requiring the education, training, and clinical experience of a clinical social worker; and

(c) supervision of the practice of a certified social worker or social service worker as the supervision is required under this chapter and as further defined by division rule.

(4) "Practice of certified social work" includes:

(a) the supervised practice of mental health therapy by a clinical social worker by observation, description, evaluation, interpretation, intervention, and treatment to effect modification of behavior by the application of generally recognized professional social work principles, methods, and procedures for the purpose of preventing, treating, or eliminating mental or emotional illness or dysfunctions, the symptoms of any of these, or maladaptive behavior;

(b) the supervised or independent and unsupervised application of generally recognized professional social work principles and practices requiring the education, training, and experience of a certified social worker; and

(c) supervision of the practice of a social service worker as the supervision is required under this chapter and as further defined by division rule.

(5) "Program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education" means a program that:

- (a) was accredited by the Council on Social Work Education on the day on which the applicant for licensure satisfactorily completed the program; or
- (b) was in candidacy for accreditation by the Council on Social Work Education on the day on which the applicant for licensure satisfactorily completed the program.

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(3) "Practice of marriage and family therapy" includes:

- (a) the process of providing professional mental health therapy including psychotherapy to individuals, couples, families, or groups;
- (b) utilizing established principles that recognize the interrelated nature of individual problems and dysfunctions in family members to assess, diagnose, and treat mental, emotional, and behavioral disorders;
- (c) individual, premarital, relationship, marital, divorce, and family therapy;
- (d) specialized modes of treatment for the purpose of diagnosing and treating mental, emotional, and behavioral disorders, modifying interpersonal and intrapersonal dysfunction, and promoting mental health; and
- (e) assessment utilized to develop, recommend, and implement appropriate plans of treatment, dispositions, and placement related to the functioning of the individual, couple, family, or group.

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(2) "Practice of clinical mental health counseling" means the practice of mental health therapy by means of observation, description, evaluation, interpretation, intervention, and treatment to effect modification of human behavior by the application of generally recognized clinical mental health counseling principles, methods, and procedures for the purpose of preventing, treating, or eliminating mental or emotional illness or dysfunction, symptoms of any of these, or maladaptive behavior.

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(a) "Practice of psychology" includes:

- (i) the practice of mental health therapy by means of observation, description, evaluation, interpretation, intervention, and treatment to effect modification of human behavior by the application of generally recognized professional psychological principles, methods, and procedures for the purpose of preventing, treating, or eliminating mental or emotional illness or dysfunction, the symptoms of any of these, or maladaptive behavior;
- (ii) the observation, description, evaluation, interpretation, or modification of human behavior by the application of generally recognized professional principles, methods, or procedures requiring the education, training, and clinical experience of a psychologist, for the purpose of assessing, diagnosing, preventing, or eliminating symptomatic, maladaptive, or undesired behavior and of enhancing interpersonal relationships, work and life adjustment, personal effectiveness, behavioral health, and mental health;
- (iii) psychological testing and the evaluation or assessment of personal characteristics such as intelligence, personality, abilities, interests, aptitudes, and

neuropsychological functioning;

(iv) counseling, marriage and family therapy, psychoanalysis, psychotherapy, hypnosis, and behavior analysis and therapy;

(v) diagnosis and treatment of mental and emotional disorders of disability, alcoholism and substance abuse, disorders of habit or conduct, and the psychological aspects of physical illness, accident, injury, or disability; and

(vi) psychoeducational evaluation, therapy, remediation, and consultation.

(b) An individual practicing psychology may provide services to individuals, couples, families, groups of individuals, members of the public, and individuals or groups within organizations or institutions.

Summary of Appointments.

1. Erica Hansen- Speech Language Pathologist.
 - a. On or about March 12, 2019, Licensee was first licensed as a Speech Language Pathologist in the State of Utah.
 - b. Licensee, on or about June 07, 2022, submitted an application to renew their Speech Language Pathologist license. On that renewal, licensee disclosed that they were currently under investigation, or had disciplinary, administrative, or criminal action pending against them by any agency. Subsequently, on or about April 5, 2023, licensee provided documentation related to the investigation and the outcome.
 - c. Licensee, on or about On September 18, 2021, emailed Jenny DeCorso, Principal of Hillcrest elementary school, and informed Ms. DeCorso that during her first year, Respondent failed to gather all necessary signatures on a student's IEP and she signed Ms. DeCorso's name. Respondent also disclosed other violations of district policy and misuse of district funds.
 - d. On or about, November 2021 the Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission ("UPPAC") commenced an investigation ("Investigation") regarding allegations that Respondent violated the Utah Educator Standards ("Standards") by forging her principal's signature on a student's Individualized Education Program ("IEP").
 - e. On or about, January 12, 2023, the Utah State Board of Education met to discuss the allegation and concurred with the Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission's ("UPPAC") recommendation that licensee's educator license be reprimanded and a flag be placed in licensee's CACTUS file for a period of two years, commencing on the date licensee's CACTUS file was initially flagged for investigation.