

Regulation Comparison  
Mental Health Practice

State Licensing Requirements:

Social Work: <https://www.aswb.org/licensees/about-licensing-and-regulation/social-work-regulation>

Marriage and Family Therapy: <https://amftrb.org/resources/state-licensure-comparison>

Professional Counseling: [http://www.aascb.org/aws/AASCB/pt/sp/layout\\_directory-state?get\\_content\\_from\\_session=1](http://www.aascb.org/aws/AASCB/pt/sp/layout_directory-state?get_content_from_session=1)

Many states license marriage and family therapists, social workers, and professional counselors (rather than certify) and do not have a mental health practice license or independent mental health practice license. Scopes of practice for each of these in other states are similar to the independent mental health practice license in Nebraska.

In regards to education and post-master supervised experience, Nebraska is consistent as the post master's experience ranges from 2000 to 4000 hours (Nebraska Requires 3000); and the supervision ranges from 100-200 hours or 2 hours for every 15 hours of work (Nebraska requires 1 hour per week).

Licenses and Certifications Issued (including current #'s active) under the Board of Mental Health Practice:

Independent Mental Health Practitioners:	2,145
Marriage and Family Therapist	106
Master Social Worker:	1,042
Master Social Worker (NO LI/LM license)	41
Mental Health Practitioner:	2,563
Professional Counselor:	995
Provisional Master Social Worker:	351
Provisional Mental Health Practitioner:	1,166
Social Worker:	<u>626</u>
	9,042