

Occupational Reform Board Survey  
Chair, Board of Psychology

1. **The public purpose and assumptions that underlie the creation of the license?**

To protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public and to set minimum standards of proficiency and competency for professionals practicing in the field of psychology in the state of Nebraska.

2. **A statement from YOUR point of view about the effectiveness of the regulations for this profession?**

Rules and regulations for this profession provide minimum standards for the professional for credentialing, education, experience, and eligibility to take credentialing examinations. They also set standards for course of study, unprofessional conduct, ethics, and continued competency requirements. In my opinion, rules and regulations are a further means to protect the public's health, safety and welfare by providing additional clarification beyond the uniform credentialing act for the specific profession.

3. **What the harm may be if the occupation is no longer licensed, certified, or regulated?**

If the profession of psychology were not licensed, certified, or regulated, the public would be exposed to undue harm because the professional providing care to the public would not have a minimum standard of proficiency and competency for practicing psychology in the state of Nebraska. There would also be no monitoring body such as the board of psychology to ensure that the professionals practiced psychology according to the minimum standard. This would have a negative impact on the public good.

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