July 24, 2020

Dear Licensees and applicants:

Pursuant to Sections 4.38.(b) and (d) of SB 704, the Board has determined that, due to the impacts of the coronavirus, it is in the public interest, including the public health, safety, and welfare and the economic well-being of the citizens and businesses of the State, to extend the following deadlines:

1) The licenses that are due to be renewed on June 30, 2020 will not expire until October 10, 2020.

2) The applicant for renewal will have to return the properly completed documentation for renewal (“Board’s Notice for License Renewal”), together with a renewal fee of two hundred dollars ($200.00), and evidence of continuing counselor education as approved by the Board, by September 30, 2020.

3) The biennial renewal fee of two hundred dollars ($200.00) shall be due and payable by September 30, 2020. Failure to pay the biennial renewal fee by June 20, 2020 will not suspend the license.

4) A licensee, who allows the license to lapse for failure to apply for renewal by September 30, 2020, will be subject to the late renewal fee of seventy-five dollars ($75.00).

5) Failure to apply for renewal of an expired license, which was due to be renewed in 2020, by June 30, 2021 will require that a license be reissued only upon application as for an original license.

6) The deadline for completing continuing education requirements implemented by the Board is extended to September 30, 2020.

7) The deadline to satisfy the requirements for applications which are due to be satisfied between March 10, 2020 and June 25, 2020 pursuant to the Administrative Rule 21 NCAC 53.0308, is extended to September 25, 2020.

8) The deadline to satisfy the requirements for applications which are due to be satisfied between June 25, 2020 and December 31, 2020 pursuant to the Administrative Rule 21 NCAC 53.0308, is extended by three (3) months.

Please note that these extensions do not affect any other deadlines or renewal periods as stated in the North Carolina Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselors Act or the Board’s Administrative Rules.

Sincerely yours,

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LCMHC BOARD CHAIRPERSON