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## **Order Extending May 6, 2020, Order Waiving Face-to-Face Training and Supervision Requirements for Marriage Family Therapists, Professional Clinical Counselors, and Clinical Social Workers**

On March 4, 2020, the Governor proclaimed a [State of Emergency](#) to exist in California as a result of the impacts of COVID-19 to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the state prepare to respond to an increasing number of individuals requiring medical care and hospitalization as a result of a broader spread of COVID-19.

Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order [N-39-20](#), during the State of Emergency, the Director of the California Department of Consumer Affairs may waive any statutory or regulatory professional licensing requirements pertaining to individuals licensed pursuant to Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code, including requirements related to the education, training, and experience necessary to obtain licensure as a Licensed Marriage Family Therapist, Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor, and Licensed Clinical Social Worker.

On May 6, 2020, the Director issued an Order Waiving Face-to-Face Training and Supervision Requirements for Marriage Family Therapists, Professional Clinical Counselors, and Clinical Social Workers. The order was scheduled to expire on July 5, 2020, but on July 1, 2020, the Director extended the order to September 3, 2020. On August 27, 2020, the Director further extended the order to November 2, 2020. On October 22, 2020, the Director extended it to December 31, 2020, and on December 15, 2020, the Director extended it to February 28, 2021. On February 26, 2021, the Director extended it to April 30, 2021, and on April 30, 2021, the Director extended it again. On July 1, 2021, the Director extended it to August 31, 2021. On August 31, 2021, the Director extended it to October 31, 2021. On October 29, 2021, the Director extended it again, and on January 11, 2022, the Director extended it to March 31, 2022. On March 24, 2022, the Director extended the waiver again.

The Director hereby further extends the Order Waiving Face-to-Face Training and Supervision Requirements for Marriage Family Therapists, Professional

Clinical Counselors, and Clinical Social Workers.<sup>1</sup> The order now terminates August 31, 2022, unless further extended.

This order is effective immediately but may be amended as circumstances require.

Dated: July 7, 2022

**Signature on File**

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Kimberly Kirchmeyer  
Director

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<sup>1</sup> References in the May 6, 2020, Order to Business and Professions Code sections 4999.33, subdivision (c)(3)(K), 4980.43.2, subdivision (d), 4996.23.1, subdivision (f), and 4999.46.2, subdivision (d), are hereby modified to refer to section 4999.33, subdivision (c)(3)(L), 4980.43.2, subdivision (e), 4996.23.1, subdivision (g), and 4999.46.2, subdivision (e), respectively.