

**21 NCAC 68 .0204 SUPERVISED PRACTICUM FOR CERTIFIED ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR AND LICENSED CLINICAL ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST**

(a) All applicants for the certified alcohol and drug counselor or the clinical addictions specialist credential shall complete a 300 hour practicum supervised by an applicant supervisor and the practicum shall cover all core functions of addictions counseling as set forth by the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium which is hereby incorporated by reference and available in the Candidate Guides including subsequent amendments or editions at [internationalcredentialing.org](http://internationalcredentialing.org). The practicum shall be supervised at a ratio of one hour of supervision for every 10 hours of practice.

(b) Upon completion of the 300 hours of practice, the supervisor shall complete an evaluation reviewing the applicant's development and provide it to the Board, documenting the 300 hours of practice.

(c) The 300 hour practicum of the Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor and the Certified Prevention Specialist may be completed as part of an academic course of study in a regionally accredited college or university or may be developed in a work setting when supervised by an applicant supervisor. The 300 hour practicum may be completed as part of the three years (or 6,000 hours) of alcohol and drug counseling experience required for certification.

(d) The 300 hour practicum of the Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist Criteria A applicant shall be completed as part of the required two years postgraduate supervised clinical addictions counseling and does not include the clinical application or practical training completed as a part of the master's degree used to apply for the Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 90-113.30; 90-113.31; 90-113.33; 90-113.34; 90-113.39; 90-113.40; Eff. August 1, 1996; Amended Eff. June 1, 2011; April 1, 2011; January 1, 2010; August 1, 2002; Readopted Eff. October 1, 2020; Amended Eff. July 1, 2022.*