AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 16-14-052, filed 6/29/16, effective 7/30/16)

WAC 246-811-010 Definitions. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly states otherwise.

(1) "Agency" means a community behavioral health agency or facility operated, licensed, or certified by the state of Washington, a federally recognized Indian tribe located with the state, a county, a federally qualified health center, or a hospital.

(2) "Approved school" means any college or university accredited by a national or regional accrediting body, at the time the applicant completed the required education or other educational programs approved by the secretary.

(2) Certified chemical dependency professional (CDP) means an individual certified in chemical dependency counseling under chapter 18.205 RCW.

(3) Certified chemical dependency professional trainee (CDPT) means an individual working toward the education and experience...
requirements for certification as a chemical dependency professional, and who has been credentialed as a CDPT under chapter 18.205 RCW.

(4) Chemical dependency counseling means employing the core competencies of chemical dependency counseling to assist or attempt to assist an alcohol or drug addicted person to develop and maintain abstinence from alcohol and other mood-altering drugs.

(5)) (3) "Counseling" means employing any therapeutic techniques including, but not limited to, social work, mental health counseling, marriage and family therapy, and hypnotherapy, for a fee, that offer, assist, or attempt to assist an individual or individuals in the amelioration or adjustment of mental, emotional, or behavioral problems, and includes therapeutic techniques to achieve sensitivity and awareness of self and others and the development of human potential.

(4) "Core competencies of (chemical dependency)) substance use disorder counseling" means competencies oriented to assist ((alcohol and drug addicted patients to achieve and maintain abstinence from mood-altering substances and develop independent support systems)) individuals with substance use disorder in their recovery. Core competencies include the following nationally recognized areas:

(a) Knowledge;
(b) Skills;

(c) Attitudes of professional practice, including assessment and diagnosis of ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder;

(d) ((Chemical dependency)) Substance use disorder treatment planning and referral;

(e) Patient and family education in ((the disease of chemical dependency)) substance use disorder;

(f) Individual and group counseling ((with alcoholic and drug addicted individuals; and));

(g) Relapse prevention counseling((r)); and

(h) Case management.

((6))) (5) "Direct supervision" means the supervisor is on the premises and available for immediate consultation.

((7))) (6) "Enrolled" means participating in an approved school and progressing toward the completion of the course work, or completion of the course work to be certified as a ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder professional as described in WAC 246-811-030 (2)(a) through (w).

((8))) (7) "Individual formal meetings" means a meeting with an approved supervisor, involving one approved supervisor and no more than four supervisees.
((8)) (8) "Official transcript" means the transcript from an approved college or school, in an envelope readily identified as having been sealed by the school.

((9)) (9) "Out-of-state" means any state or territory of the United States.

(10) "Probationary license" means a temporary license issued to out-of-state licensees qualifying for licensure reciprocity in Washington state under the restrictions and conditions of RCW 18.225.140 and this chapter.

(11) "Reciprocity" means licensure of out-of-state licensed counselors based on substantial equivalence between Washington state scope of practice and the scope of practice of the other state or territory, subject to a probationary licensure period to complete outstanding Washington state licensure requirements as determined necessary by the secretary to gain full licensure.

(12) "Recovery" means a process of change through which individuals improve their health and wellness, live self-directed lives, and strive to reach their full potential. Recovery often involved achieving remission from active substance use disorder.

(13) "Related field" means health education, behavioral science, sociology, psychology, marriage and family therapy, mental health
counseling, social work, psychiatry, nursing, divinity, criminal justice, and counseling education.

(14) "Substance use disorder counseling" means employing the core competencies of substance use disorder counseling to assist or attempt to assist individuals with substance use disorder in their recovery.

(15) "Substance use disorder professional" or "SUDP" means an individual certified in substance use disorder counseling under chapter 18.205 RCW and this chapter.

(16) "Substance use disorder professional trainee" or "SUDPT" means an individual working toward the education and experience requirements for certification as a substance use disorder professional under chapter 18.205 RCW and this chapter.


AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 17-24-084, filed 12/5/17, effective 1/5/18)
WAC 246-811-020 Sexual misconduct. (1) The definitions and prohibitions on sexual misconduct described in chapter 246-16 WAC apply to substance use disorder professionals and a substance use disorder professional trainee except WAC 246-16-100 (4) and (5).

(2) A substance use disorder professional or a substance use disorder professional trainee shall never engage, or attempt to engage, in the activities listed in WAC 246-16-100 (1) and (2) with a former patient, former client or former key party.


AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 16-14-052, filed 6/29/16, effective 7/30/16)
WAC 246-811-030  Educational requirements.  (1) Except as provided for in WAC 246-811-077 and 246-811-078, the minimum education requirements for a ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder professional credential are:

(a) An associate's degree in human services or related field from an approved school; or

(b) Successful completion of ninety quarter or sixty semester college credits in courses from an approved school.

(2) At least forty-five quarter or thirty semester credits must be in courses relating to the ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder profession and shall include the following topics specific to ((alcohol and drug addicted)) individuals with substance use disorder in their recovery:

(a) Understanding addiction;

(b) Pharmacological actions of alcohol and other drugs;

(c) Substance abuse and addiction treatment methods;

(d) Understanding addiction placement, continuing care, and discharge criteria, including American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) criteria;

(e) Cultural diversity including people with disabilities and its implication for treatment;
(f) ((Chemical dependency)) Substance use disorder clinical evaluation (screening and referral to include comorbidity);

(g) HIV/AIDS brief risk intervention for the chemically dependent;

(h) ((Chemical dependency)) Substance use disorder treatment planning;

(i) Referral and use of community resources;

(j) Service coordination (implementing the treatment plan, consulting, continuing assessment and treatment planning);

(k) Individual counseling;

(l) Group counseling;

(m) ((Chemical dependency)) Substance use disorder counseling for families, couples and significant others;

(n) Client, family and community education;

(o) Developmental psychology;

(p) Psychopathology/abnormal psychology;

(q) Documentation, to include, screening, intake, assessment, treatment plan, clinical reports, clinical progress notes, discharge summaries, and other client related data;

(r) ((Chemical dependency)) Substance use disorder confidentiality;
(s) Professional and ethical responsibilities;
(t) Relapse prevention;
(u) Adolescent ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder assessment and treatment;
(v) ((Chemical dependency)) Substance use disorder case management; and
(w) ((Chemical dependency)) Substance use disorder rules and regulations.


AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 09-14-111, filed 6/30/09, effective 7/1/09)

WAC 246-811-035 Certification of a ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder professional trainee ((CDPT)). (1) The department of health will issue a ((CDPT)) substance use disorder professional trainee certificate to an individual who:

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(a) Submits an application on forms the department provides;

(b) Includes written documentation to meet the eligibility criteria;

(c) Declares that he or she is enrolled in an approved school and gaining the experience required to receive a ((CDP)) substance use disorder professional credential;

(d) Submit evidence of completion of four clock hours of AIDS education. The requirement of WAC 246-811-030 (2)(g) will satisfy this requirement.

(2) A ((CDPT)) substance use disorder professional trainee must submit a signed declaration with their annual renewal that states they are enrolled in an approved education program, or have completed the educational requirements, and are obtaining the experience requirements for a ((CDP)) substance use disorder professional credential.

(3) A ((CDPT)) substance use disorder professional trainee certificate can only be renewed four times.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 18.205 RCW. WSR 09-14-111, § 246-811-035, filed 6/30/09, effective 7/1/09.]
WAC 246-811-045 Accumulation of experience. (1) The department will consider experience in the field of chemical dependency substance use disorder counseling up to seven years prior to the date of application.

(2) Accumulation of the experience hours is not required to be consecutive.

(3) Experience that will count toward certification must meet the requirements outlined in WAC 246-811-046 through 246-811-049.

(4) Supervised experience is the practice as referred to in RCW 18.205.090 (1)(c) and is the experience received under an approved supervisor.

(5) A practicum or internship taken while acquiring the degree or semester/quarter hours is applicable.

(6) Applicants who have held an active substance use disorder credential for the past five consecutive years or more in another state or territory, without a disciplinary record or disqualifying criminal history, are deemed to have met the supervised experience requirements of this chapter for Washington state licensure.
AMENDATORY SECTION  (Amending WSR 16-14-052, filed 6/29/16, effective 7/30/16)

**WAC 246-811-046**  Number of experience hours required for certification as a ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder professional.  Except as provided in WAC 246-811-070(1), an applicant must complete the following requirements based on their level of formal education.

(1) Two thousand five hundred hours of ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder counseling, for individuals who have an associate degree; or

(2) Two thousand hours of ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder counseling for individuals who have a baccalaureate degree in human services or a related field from an approved school; or
(3) One thousand five hundred hours of ((chemical dependency))
substance use disorder counseling for individuals who possess a master
or doctoral degree in human services or a related field from an
approved school; or

(4) One thousand hours of ((chemical dependency)) substance use
disorder counseling for individuals who are credentialed according to
WAC 246-811-076. The experience must be supervised by an approved
supervisor meeting the requirements under WAC 246-811-049(8).

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.205.100 and 18.205.060. WSR 16-14-052, §
246-811-046, filed 6/29/16, effective 7/30/16. Statutory Authority:
Chapter 18.205 RCW. WSR 09-14-111, § 246-811-046, filed 6/30/09,
effective 7/1/09. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.205.060(1). WSR 99-13-
084, § 246-811-046, filed 6/14/99, effective 7/15/99.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 16-14-052, filed 6/29/16, effective
7/30/16)

WAC 246-811-047 Competency—Experience requirements. (1) It is
the intent that an individual applying for a ((chemical dependency))
substance use disorder professional certificate has become competent
in the core competencies of chemical counseling through the experience requirements in this section.

(2) Individuals must have the following experiences to gain the core competencies of ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder counseling:

(a) Two hundred hours of clinical evaluation, of which one hundred hours must be face-to-face patient contact hours;

(b) Six hundred hours of face-to-face counseling to include:

(i) Individual counseling;

(ii) Group counseling; and

(iii) Family, couples, and significant others;

(c) Fifty hours of discussion of professional and ethical responsibilities;

(d) Transdisciplinary foundations:

(i) Understanding addiction;

(ii) Treatment knowledge;

(iii) Application to practice; and

(iv) Professional readiness;

(e) Treatment planning;

(f) Referral;

(g) Service coordination;
(h) Client, family, and community education; and

(i) Documentation, to include, screening, intake, assessment, treatment plan, clinical reports, clinical progress notes, discharge summaries, and other client related data.

(3) Of the total experience hours required under WAC 246-811-046, eight hundred fifty hours of experience must be divided among subsection (2)(a) through (c) of this section. The remaining experience hours must be divided among subsection (2)(d) through (i) of this section as determined by the supervisor.


AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 16-14-052, filed 6/29/16, effective 7/30/16)

WAC 246-811-048 Supervision requirements. (1) All of the experience required for ((CDP)) substance use disorder professional
certification must be under an approved supervisor as defined in WAC 246-811-049.

(2) A substance use disorder professional or an individual credentialed according to WAC 246-811-076 may provide substance use disorder assessment, counseling, and case management to patients consistent with his or her education, training, and experience as documented by the approved supervisor.

(a) The first fifty hours of any face-to-face patient contact must be under direct supervision and within sight and hearing of an approved supervisor or a substance use disorder professional designated by the approved supervisor.

(b) An approved supervisor or the approved supervisor's designated certified substance use disorder professional must provide direct supervision when a supervisee is providing clinical services to patients until the approved supervisor documents in the employee file that the supervisee has obtained the necessary education, training, and experience.

(3) Approved supervisors must attest to the department that the supervisee has demonstrated competency in the areas listed in WAC 246-811-047(2) on forms provided by the department.
WAC 246-811-049  Approved supervisors. (1) ((Except as provided in subsection (8) of this section,)) An approved supervisor is a certified ((CDP)) substance use disorder professional or a person who meets or exceeds the requirements of a certified ((CDP)) substance use disorder professional in the state of Washington, and who would be eligible to take the examination required for certification.

(2) ((Except as provided in subsection (9) of this section,)) An approved supervisor must have at least ((four)) three thousand hours of experience in a state approved ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder treatment agency in addition to the supervised experience hours required to become a ((CDP)) substance use disorder professional.
(3) ((Except as provided in subsection (9) of this section,)) An approved supervisor may substitute twenty-eight clock hours of recognized supervisory training for ((one thousand)) five hundred one thousand hours of experience.

(4) An approved supervisor may substitute one thousand five hundred hours of experience with thirty-six hours of education specific to:

(a) Counselor development;
(b) Professional and ethical standards;
(c) Program development and quality assurance;
(d) Performance evaluation;
(e) Administration;
(f) Treatment knowledge; and
(g) Washington state law regarding substance use disorder treatment.

(5) An approved supervisor is not a blood or legal relative, significant other, cohabitant of the supervisee, or someone who has acted as the supervisee's primary counselor.

(((5) A chemical dependency)) (6) A substance use disorder professional trainee ((CDPT)) (SUDPT) must receive documentation of
his or her approved supervisor's qualifications before training begins.

(6) An approved supervisor or other certified substance use disorder professional must review and sign all substance use disorder professional trainee clinical documentation.

(7) An approved supervisor is responsible for all patients assigned to the substance use disorder professional trainee they supervise.

(8) An approved supervisor may only provide supervision to an applicant completing the alternative training under WAC 246-811-077 if the approved supervisor holds a current Washington state credential as a CDP and meets all other requirements under this section.

(9) A CDP credentialed according to WAC 246-811-077 may meet the requirements to be an approved supervisor under subsections (2) and (3) of this section by:

(a) Completing fifteen hundred hours of experience in a state approved chemical dependency treatment agency. These hours are in addition to the supervised experience hours required to become a CDP;

(b) Completing twenty-eight clock hours of supervisory training provided by an industry-recognized local, state, national, or
international organization or institution of higher learning as defined in WAC 246-811-200(5); and

(c) Completing thirty-six hours of education specific to:

(i) Counselor development;

(ii) Professional and ethical standards;

(iii) Program development and quality assurance;

(iv) Performance evaluation;

(v) Administration;

(vi) Treatment knowledge; and


AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 16-14-052, filed 6/29/16, effective 7/30/16)
WAC 246-811-060  Examination requirements for a ((chemical dependency certification)) substance use disorder professional certification.  (1) An applicant must take and pass the National Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselor (NAADAC) National Certification Examination for Addiction Counselors or International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (ICRC) Certified Addiction Counselor Level II or higher examination.

(2) The department will accept the passing score set by the testing company.


AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 09-14-111, filed 6/30/09, effective 7/1/09)

WAC 246-811-075  AIDS prevention and information education requirements.  ((Chemical dependency)) Substance use disorder professional applicants and ((chemical dependency)) substance use professional applicants and...
disorder professional trainee applicants must complete four clock hours of AIDS education as required in chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 8.


AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 16-14-052, filed 6/29/16, effective 7/30/16)

WAC 246-811-076 Eligibility for certification through alternative training. A practitioner listed in subsections (1) through (7) of this section who holds an active license in good standing may apply for certification as a substance use disorder professional using alternative training under WAC 246-811-077 or 246-811-078:

(1) Advanced registered nurse practitioner under chapter 18.79 RCW;

(2) Marriage and family therapists, mental health counselor, advanced social worker, or independent clinical social worker under chapter 18.225 RCW;
(3) Psychologist under chapter 18.83 RCW;
(4) Osteopathic physician under chapter 18.57 RCW;
(5) Osteopathic physician assistant under chapter 18.57A RCW;
(6) Physician under chapter 18.71 RCW; or
(7) Physician assistant under chapter 18.71A RCW.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.205.100 and 18.205.060. WSR 16-14-052, § 246-811-076, filed 6/29/16, effective 7/30/16.]

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 16-14-052, filed 6/29/16, effective 7/30/16)

**WAC 246-811-077 Educational requirements to apply for (chemical dependency) substance use disorder professional certification with alternative training.** An applicant credentialed according to WAC 246-811-076 may meet the educational requirements for (chemical dependency) substance use disorder professional certification by demonstrating successful completion of fifteen quarter or ten semester college credits in courses from an approved school.

(1) Course work on each of the following topics specific to ((alcohol and drug addicted)) individuals with substance use disorder is required:

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(a) Survey of addiction;
(b) Treatment of addiction;
(c) Pharmacology;
(d) Physiology of addiction;
(e) American Society of Addiction Management (ASAM) criteria;
(f) Individual group, including family addiction counseling; and
(g) Substance use disorder law and ethics.

(2) Course work must be completed for credit.

(3) An applicant shall verify course completion by submitting official transcripts to the department. If the course title does not clearly identify the content area, the applicant shall provide the course syllabi.

(4) An applicant who meets the educational requirements of this section is considered to meet the educational requirements of WAC 246-811-030.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.205.100 and 18.205.060. WSR 16-14-052, § 246-811-077, filed 6/29/16, effective 7/30/16.]

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(f) Certified addiction specialist (CAS) from the American Academy of Health Care Providers in the Addictive Disorders;

(g) Certificate of Proficiency in the Treatment of Psychoactive Substance Abuse Disorders from the American Psychological Association;

(h) Advanced alcohol and drug counselor (AADC) from the International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium;

(i) American Osteopathic Board of Anesthesiology Certificate of Added Qualification in Addiction Medicine;

(j) American Osteopathic Board of Family Medicine Certificate of Added Qualification in Addiction Medicine;

(k) American Osteopathic Board of Internal Medicine Certificate of Added Qualification in Addiction Medicine; and

(l) American Osteopathic Board of Neurology and Psychiatry Certificate of Added Qualification in Addiction Medicine.

(3) The certifying body of a national certification submitted according to this section must send verification of the certification directly to the department.

(4) A national certification submitted according to this section must be active and in good standing.

(5) Nothing in this section exempts any applicant from the examination requirements of WAC 246-811-060.
WAC 246-811-080 What happens if my certification expires? (1)

If the ((chemical dependency professional (CDP) or chemical dependency certification trainee (CDPT))) substance use disorder professional (SUDP) or substance use disorder professional trainee (SUDPT) certification has expired for five years or less, the individual must meet the requirements of chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 2.

(2) If a ((CDP)) substance use disorder professional certification has lapsed for more than five years, the applicant must demonstrate continued competency and must pass an examination, if an examination was not successfully passed for the initial certification. In addition, the requirements of chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 2, must be met.

(3) If a ((CDPT)) substance use disorder professional trainee certification has lapsed for more than five years, the applicant must meet the requirements of chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 2.
WAC 246-811-081 Retired active ((chemical-dependency)) substance use disorder professional ((CDP)) (SUDP) credential. A certified ((CDP)) substance use disorder professional may obtain a retired active credential. Refer to the requirements of chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 5.
WAC 246-811-090  A (chemical dependency) substance use disorder professional and a (chemical dependency) substance use disorder professional trainee must provide client disclosure information. A (chemical dependency) substance use disorder professional and a (chemical dependency) substance use disorder professional trainee must provide disclosure information to each client prior to the delivery of certified services (WAC 388-805-325). Disclosure information may be printed in a format of the (chemical dependency) substance use disorder professional's choosing or in a general format used by a state approved treatment facility.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 18.205 RCW. WSR 09-14-111, § 246-811-090, filed 6/30/09, effective 7/1/09. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.205.060(15). WSR 00-12-102, § 246-811-090, filed 6/7/00, effective 7/8/00.]
WAC 246-811-100 Disclosure statement requirements. (1) The following information must be printed on all disclosure statements provided to counseling clients in language that can be easily understood by the client:

(a) Name of firm, agency, business, or ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder professional's practice.

(b) Employment address and telephone number.

(c) Name, credential, and credential number.

(d) Billing information, including:

(i) Client's cost per each counseling session;

(ii) Billing practices, including any advance payments and refunds.

(e) A list of the acts of unprofessional conduct in RCW 18.130.180 including the name, address, and contact telephone number within the department of health.

(2) The ((CDP or CDPT)) substance use disorder professional or substance use disorder professional trainee and the client must sign and date a statement indicating that the client has been given a copy of the required disclosure information, and the client has read and understands the information provided.
CONTINUING COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR ((CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY))

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 14-09-102, filed 4/22/14, effective 4/22/14)

WAC 246-811-200 Continuing competency definitions. (1) "Agency sponsored training" is training provided by an agency that is not limited to people working within that agency and is a professional development activity as defined in subsection (7) of this section.

(2) "Continuing competency enhancement plan" is a plan showing the goals an individual will develop to continue proficiency as a certified ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder professional. This plan will be based on core competencies of ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder counseling listed in WAC 246-811-047 (2)(a) through (i) and on forms provided by the department.
(3) "Continuing education" means a program or course (including distance learning), seminar workshop, or professional conference approved by an industry-recognized organization or institution of higher learning listed in subsection (5) of this section.

(4) "Distance learning" is industry-recognized education obtained to enhance proficiency in one or more of the professional development activities as defined in subsection (7) of this section, through sources such as internet course work, satellite downlink resources, telecourses, or correspondence courses.

(5) "Industry-recognized" is any local, state, national, or international organization or institution of higher learning including, but not limited to, the following:

(a) National Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (NAADAC);

(b) National Association of Addiction Treatment Providers (NAATP);

(c) International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (ICRC);

(d) Northwest Indian alcohol/drug specialist certification board;
(e) Institutions of higher learning that are accredited by a national or regional accrediting body recognized by the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation; and

(f) Division of behavioral health and recovery (DBHR), ((department of social and health services)) health care authority.

(6) "In-service training" is training provided by an agency that is limited to people working within that agency and is a professional development activity as defined in subsection (7) of this section.

(7) "Professional development activities" means addiction competencies as outlined in WAC 246-811-047, including: Clinical evaluation, individual counseling, group counseling, counseling family, couples, and significant others, professional and ethical responsibilities, understanding addiction, treatment knowledge, application to practice, professional readiness, treatment planning, referral, service coordination, client, family, and community education, screening, intake, assessment, clinical reports, clinical progress notes, discharge summaries, and other client related data.


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WAC 246-811-210  Purpose of a continuing competency program. To enhance the professional competency of the ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder professional. A successful continuing competency program focuses on all aspects of professional practice to ensure that the practitioner is competent to provide safe and quality care to patients. The purpose of the professional development activities is to broaden the experience that a ((CDP)) substance use disorder professional may undertake to maintain competency.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 18.205 RCW. WSR 09-14-111, § 246-811-210, filed 6/30/09, effective 7/1/09. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.205.060(12). WSR 02-07-084, § 246-811-200, filed 3/19/02, effective 4/19/02.]
WAC 246-811-220 Continuing competency program requirements. A ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder professional, regardless of method of certification, must complete:

(1) An enhancement plan as described in WAC 246-811-200(7);

(2) Twenty-eight hours of continuing education as described in WAC 246-811-240; and

(3) Twelve hours of other professional development activities as described in WAC 246-811-047 and 246-811-200(2).


AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 09-14-111, filed 6/30/09, effective 7/1/09)

WAC 246-811-230 Continuing competency reporting period. A ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder professional must complete the continuing competency program requirements every two years. A ((CDP)) substance use disorder professional must develop and
implement the plan upon initial certification, and every two years thereafter.


AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 14-09-102, filed 4/22/14, effective 4/22/14)

WAC 246-811-240 Number of continuing education hours required.

(1) A certified substance use disorder professional must complete twenty-eight hours of continuing education (CE) every two years.

(a) At least fourteen hours must be completed in one or more of the topic areas as described in WAC 246-811-030 (2)(a) through (w).

(b) At least four hours must be in professional ethics and law.

(c) The additional ten hours shall be in areas relating to the various phases of their professional career.

(d) The training in suicide assessment listed in subsection (2) of this section shall count towards meeting the CE requirements.
(2) Beginning January 1, 2014, at least once every six years a certified (chemical dependency) substance use disorder professional must complete at least three hours of training in suicide assessment, including screening and referral, as specified in WAC 246-811-280.

(a) Except as provided in (b) of this subsection, the first training must be completed during the first full CE reporting period after January 1, 2014, or the first full CE period after initial certification, whichever occurs later.

(b) An individual applying for initial certification as a (chemical dependency) substance use disorder professional on or after January 1, 2014, may delay completion of the first required training for six years after initial certification if he or she can demonstrate completion of a three-hour training in suicide assessment, including screening and referral that:

(i) Was completed no more than six years prior to the application for initial certification; and

(ii) Meets the qualifications listed in WAC 246-811-280(1).

(3) Nothing in this section is intended to expand or limit the existing scope of practice of a certified (chemical dependency) substance use disorder professional or certified (chemical dependency) substance use disorder professional.
substance use disorder professional trainee credentialed under chapter 18.205 RCW.


AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 09-14-111, filed 6/30/09, effective 7/1/09)

WAC 246-811-260 Completion of the twelve hours of other professional development activities. (1) A ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder professional ((CDP)) (SUDP) may obtain hours through the following:

(a) Practicum;

(b) Peer-review including serving on a formal peer review panel or committee, or individual review of a sole provider, where the purpose of the review is to determine whether appropriate treatment was rendered;
(c) Public presentation including preparing and presenting lectures or education that contribute to the professional competence of a (CDP. The CDP) substance use disorder professional. The substance use disorder professional may accumulate the same number of hours obtained for continuing education purposes by attendees as required in WAC 246-12-220. The hours for presenting a specific topic lecture or education may only be used for continuing education credit once during each reporting period;

(d) Publication of writings;

(e) Other activities as determined by the (CDP's) substance use disorder professional's supervisor;

(f) Continuing education; these continuing education hours are in addition to the twenty-eight hours of continuing education as listed in WAC 246-811-240.

(2) All documentation must include the dates the continuing competency activity that took place, and if appropriate, the title of the course, the location of the course, and the name of the instructor.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 18.205 RCW. WSR 09-14-111, § 246-811-260, filed 6/30/09, effective 7/1/09. Statutory Authority: RCW
WAC 246-811-270 Acceptable audit documentation for continuing education, professional development activities, and the enhancement plan. (1) Acceptable documentation must be specific to the program completed and include:

(a) Transcripts, letters from course instructors, or certificate of completion;

(b) Written report by the substance use disorder professional explaining how they achieved the competencies in WAC 246-811-047; or

(c) Signed agreement between parties involved.

(2) A substance use disorder professional must comply with the requirements of chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 7.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 18.205 RCW. WSR 09-14-111, § 246-811-270, filed 6/30/09, effective 7/1/09. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.205.060 (12). WSR 02-07-084, § 246-811-260, filed 3/19/02, effective 4/19/02.]
WAC 246-811-280 Suicide assessment training standards. (1) A substance use disorder professional must complete a training in suicide assessment, including screening and referral. The training must be provided by a single provider and must be at least three hours in length, which may be provided in one or more sessions.

(a) Until July 1, 2017, the training must be approved by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention; the Suicide Prevention Resource Center; an industry-recognized organization or an institution of higher learning listed in WAC 246-811-200; or an association which approves training programs based on observation and experiment or best available practices.

(b) Beginning July 1, 2017, the training must be on the department's model list for training programs in suicide assessment, treatment and management. The model list is developed in accordance with rules adopted by the department that establish minimum standards.
for training programs. The establishment of the model list does not affect the validity of training completed prior to July 1, 2017.

(2) A certified (chemical dependency) substance use disorder professional who is a state or local government employee is exempt from the requirements of this section if he or she receives a total of at least three hours of training in suicide assessment, including screening and referral from his or her employer every six years. For purposes of this subsection, the training may be provided in one three-hour block or may be spread among shorter training sessions at the employer's discretion.

(3) A certified (chemical dependency) substance use disorder professional who is an employee of a community mental health agency licensed under chapter 71.24 RCW or a (chemical dependency) substance use disorder program certified under chapter 70.96A RCW is exempt from the requirements of this section if he or she receives a total of at least three hours of training in suicide assessment, including screening and referral from his or her employer every six years. For purposes of this subsection, the training may be provided in one three-hour block or may be spread among shorter training sessions at the employer's discretion.
NEW SECTION

**WAC 246-811-300  Probationary license.** (1) The department shall issue a probationary license to out-of-state applicants seeking licensure in Washington state for substance use disorder professional according to the conditions and restrictions of the reciprocity program established RCW 18.205.140 and this chapter.

(2) The out-of-state license must be from a state or territory identified on a list published by the department as eligible for reciprocity for the purposes of a probationary license for the particular behavioral health profession.

(3) Initial license. To receive an initial probationary license, the applicant must submit to the department:

(a) A completed application;

(b) Verification of their out-of-state license; and

(c) The fee according to WAC 246-811-990.
(4) Renewals. If necessary, a probationary license may be renewed a single time within one year of the initial license being issued and payment of the fee in WAC 246-811-990. A renewal is valid for one year after the date of renewal. To maintain a probationary license, the licensee must be able to demonstrate completion of suicide assessment, treatment, and management according to WAC 246-811-280(1), and AIDS education according to WAC 246-811-075 as a condition for renewal.

(5) Continuing education. With the exception of the requirements of this section, continuing education requirements will apply once a probationary licensee transitions to a full license.

(6) Approved supervision. If the department determines a probationary licensee must complete supervised hours of experience as a condition for full licensure, the licensee must complete the stated hours under an approved supervisor according to the conditions of this chapter.

Applicants who have held an active license for five consecutive years or more in another state or territory, without a disciplinary record or disqualifying criminal history, are deemed to have met the supervised experience requirements for Washington state licensure.

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 18-09-077, filed 4/17/18, effective 8/1/18)

WAC 246-811-990 ((Chemical dependency professional and chemical dependency)) Substance use disorder professional and substance use disorder professional trainee—Fees and renewal cycle. (1) A ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder professional ((CDP)) (SUDP) certificate must be renewed every year on the practitioner's birthday as provided in chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 2.

(2) A ((chemical dependency)) substance use disorder professional trainee ((CDPT)) (SUDPT) certificate must be renewed every year to correspond with issuance date.

(3) Probationary licensure. To receive an initial or renewal of a probationary license as described in WAC 246-811-300 (3) and (4), the following nonrefundable fees will be charged:

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[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.70.250, 43.70.280, and 18.205.060. WSR 18-09-077, § 246-811-990, filed 4/17/18, effective 8/1/18. Statutory Authority: Chapter 18.205 RCW. WSR 09-14-111, § 246-811-990, filed 6/30/09, effective 7/1/09. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.70.110, 43.70.250, 2008 c 329. WSR 08-15-014, § 246-811-990, filed 7/7/08, effective 7/7/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.70.250, [43.70.]280 and 43.70.110. WSR 05-12-012, § 246-811-990, filed 5/20/05, effective]