



Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs

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American Association of State Counseling Boards Business Meeting Wednesday February 8th 2023

CACREP Board of Directors

- Dr. Amy Milsom current Chair of the Board of Directors will be followed by Dr. Earl Grey on July 1, 2023.
- Drs. Kyla Kurian, Sonja Sutherland, and Mr. Jay Tift [began](#) a five-year term on the Board on July 1, 2022.
- Drs. Carlos del Rio, Aaron Mertes, and John Steward [will begin](#) a five-year term on the Board on July 1, 2023.

CACREP Operations

- Our [website](#) is a good reference source for licensing Boards for information and verification of accredited programs.
- Development of an accreditation management system is well underway with an expected soft launch this year.
- As of January 2023 the Board has implemented [new categories of accreditation and reaffirmation](#) accredited status.

Standards Revision

- The Standards Revision Committee has completed its work and submitted the final draft of the 2024 CACREP Standards to the CACREP Board for review and adoption at its scheduled meeting on February 23-24, 2023.
- Target for release of final 2024 CACREP Standards is July 1, 2023.

Covid Pandemic Response

- CACREP flexibilities and accommodations afforded programs at the onset of the pandemic expired August 15, 2021.
- Programs were given a grace period until July 15, 2022 to return to pre-COVID program delivery methods or to formalize through their institutional approval processes any permanent substantive changes being made.
- The first cohort under flexibilities and accommodations graduated Spring 2022.

Digital Delivery

- The pandemic forced programs to rapidly pivot to delivering their programs by distance and integrating digital technology and CACREP did not require programs to submit a substantive change report then.
- Programs making permanent digital delivery and more fully integrating technology must now [report](#) on the full impact of this change.
- CACREP is cognizant of requisite preparation for provision of telebehavioral health services and the implications for interstate practice.

For AASCB consideration

- What regulatory changes have been made or are needed relative to accepting/recognizing online degrees?
- How are/will licensing boards regulate distance/electronic delivery of counseling services and supervision given the increased use of telebehavioral health services and interstate practice through the Counseling Compact?
- How are regulatory boards legally and ethically preserving the Counseling academic preparation requirements and the Professional Counselor identity in the protection of the public?
- How will licensing boards regulate other professions that are allowed the privilege to practice (as with Florida) in the Counseling Compact?

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