

Standards for Psychologists Supervising Persons Not Regulated by the College of Alberta Psychologists¹

Registered Psychologists who supervise the practice of persons that:

- a) are not regulated by the College of Alberta Psychologists, and
- b) practice within the scope of practice of psychology (as defined by the Health Professions Act)

must abide by the "Standards for Psychologists Supervising Persons Not Regulated by the College of Alberta Psychologists".

Supervising Registered Psychologists are responsible for all of the activities of their supervisees within the scope of practice of psychology.

Supervising Registered Psychologists have competence in the areas of psychological service that their supervisees undertake.

Supervisors must be available for emergency consultation and intervention in work settings where emergencies arise. They will also ensure that an alternative supervisor is available for periods of time when the usual supervisor is unavailable to the supervisee.

Work assignments shall be commensurate with the competence of the supervisee.

Supervisors shall have sufficient knowledge of the client groups served by the supervisee in order to plan effective delivery procedures.

Supervisors will ensure that the supervisee's clients are advised that their case may be discussed with the supervising Registered Psychologist and that the supervising Registered Psychologist is ultimately responsible for all psychological services provided by the supervisee.

Supervisors will not enter into prohibited dual relationships with their supervisees.

If the supervisee is a member of a regulated profession (other than the College of Alberta Psychologists, e.g. social work, nursing), the supervising psychologist will review and assist their supervisees in applying their respective regulatory body's:

- a) legislation and regulations;
- b) bylaws relevant to the practice of the supervisee;
- c) code of ethics adopted by the supervisee's regulatory college;
- d) code of conduct of the supervisee's regulatory college;
- e) jurisprudence matters relevant to the supervisee's areas of practice; and
- f) guidelines adopted by the supervisee's regulatory college, and that are relevant to the supervisee's areas of practice.

1 (Adapted from: The ASPPB Guidelines for Supervision of Uncredentialed Personnel Providing Psychological Services, and; the CAP Standards for the Supervision of Provisional Registered Psychologists).

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If the supervisee is not a member of a regulatory college in Alberta, supervisors will review, set the expectation for, and assist their supervisees in applying:

- g) the Health Professions Act and regulations;
- h) the CAP bylaws relevant to the practice of psychologists;
- i) the Canadian Code of Ethics adopted by CAP;
- j) the Standards of Practice of CAP;
- k) jurisprudence matters relevant to the supervisee's areas of practice; and
- l) the CAP guidelines relevant to the supervisee's areas of practice.

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