

Appendix 3

**ASSOCIATION OF STATE AND PROVINCIAL PSYCHOLOGY BOARDS  
AGREEMENT OF RECIPROCITY**

This is an Agreement of Reciprocity, hereinafter referred to as “Agreement”, which is entered into, by and between, the Oklahoma Board of Examiners of Psychologists, hereinafter referred to as the Oklahoma Board, and the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards, hereinafter referred to as “ASPPB”, and those other psychology examining boards that now or at a later date are signatory boards to this Agreement.

**PURPOSES:**

- I. To establish an ASPPB Agreement of Reciprocity between signatory JURISDICTIONS in order to facilitate professional mobility through the recognition by each signatory JURISDICTION of the professional psychology licenses duly issued by each of the other signatory JURISDICTIONS, and
- II. To define the criteria which a JURISDICTION must meet in order to join this Agreement of Reciprocity.

**TERMS:**

- I. Each JURISDICTION, by joining this Agreement, represents to ASPPB and the other signatory boards, that the agency has the authority under its own law to bind itself to this Agreement.
- II. Each JURISDICTION must meet and maintain the following law/rule and regulation criteria as minimum standards for the initial licensure of entry level doctoral candidates:
  - A. EDUCATION – Doctoral degree in psychology must be obtained from either I, a and b, or 2, a and b.
    1.
      - a. An institution of higher education that is: (1) regionally accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Department of Education, OR (2) authorized by Provincial statute or Royal Charter to grant doctoral degrees; and
      - b. A program accredited by the American Psychological Association, or the Canadian Psychological Association, or designated as a psychology program by the Designation Committee of the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology and the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards, or
    2.
      - a. An institution of higher education that is (1) regionally accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Department of Education, OR (2) authorized by Provincial statute or Royal Charter to grant doctoral degrees; and
      - b. A program that is not accredited by the American Psychological Association, or the Canadian Psychological Association, or designated as a psychology program by the Designation Committee of the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology and the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards, must at the minimum:
        - 1) be based upon a program of three [3] years of full time [or equivalent] graduate study not including pre-doctoral internship; and

- 2) include instruction in scientific and professional ethics and standards, research design and methodology, statistics and psychometrics. In addition, the core program shall require each student to demonstrate competence in each of the following substantive content areas:
  - a) biological bases of behavior [e.g. physiological psychology, comparative psychology, neuropsychology, sensation, psychopharmacology.]
  - b) cognitive-affective bases of behavior [e.g. learning, memory, perception, cognition, thinking, motivation, emotion.]
  - c) social bases of behavior [e.g. social psychology, cultural, ethnic, and group processes, sex roles, organization and systems theory], and
  - d) individual behavior [e.g. personality theory, human development, individual differences, abnormal psychology].

**B. SUPERVISED EXPERIENCE:**

1. Two years of supervised experience, one of which shall have been completed post-doctorally, for 3,000 hours total minimum.
2. Each year [or equivalent] shall be comprised of at least 1,500 hours of actual work, to include direct service, training, and supervisory time.
3. A pre-doctoral internship/residency may be counted as one of the two years of experience.
4. The minimum standard requirement shall be one hour per week, of individual one-to-one supervision from a licensed psychologist; however in the case of geographical or confirmed physical hardship, a jurisdiction may consider variance in the frequency of supervision sessions providing that a minimum of four hours per month of individual one-to-one supervision shall be maintained.

**C. REQUIRED EXAMINATIONS:**

1. The Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology [EPPP] with a minimum qualifying score of 70%; and
2. An oral examination or interview to determine competence to practice.

**III. Each JURISDICTION must meet and maintain the following procedures pertaining to candidates licensed through the Reciprocity Agreement:**

- A. Upon presentation of an application for licensure by reciprocity and satisfactory compliance with the procedures set forth herein, each JURISDICTION shall verify that the applicant Psychologist has been actively licensed at the doctoral level for independent practice and has been practicing continuously for the past five (5) years in a jurisdiction that is a party to this Agreement; that the applicant Psychologist has no outstanding complaints or charges pending against him/her, and has not been subject to disciplinary action or felony conviction in any state, territory, province, or other jurisdiction; and shall then issue a License to practice psychology (and/or associated Certification as may be ordinarily utilized by the issuing JURISDICTION) subject to the terms of this Agreement.

B. Each JURISDICTION will require, as a condition precedent to reciprocal licensure, and/or certification, that applicants for such status acknowledge in writing their understanding and agreement that suspension, revocation, or other sanctions against his/her license to practice psychology by any JURISDICTION, not just those that are parties to this Agreement, may constitute sufficient grounds for similar action against such authorization issued to them by any other JURISDICTION.

C. Each JURISDICTION shall require, as a condition precedent to reciprocal licensure, and/or certification, that applicants for such status acknowledge in writing their understanding and agreement to a waiver of confidentiality for reporting any and all complaints pending against them in any state, territory, province or other JURISDICTION to the other JURISDICTIONS that are parties to this Agreement.

D. No JURISDICTION which has denied an individual for licensure is required to license that individual under this Agreement.

E. Subject to the terms of this Agreement, each JURISDICTION agrees to waive the requirements for both the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology [EPPP] and any oral or written examination for determination of professional competence; however, each JURISDICTION may:

1. require applicants for reciprocal licensing and/or certification hereunder to pass its Jurisprudence Examination prior to the issuance of such credentials; and/or
2. require a meeting with the Psychologist to review and verify his or her satisfactory character, current fitness and plans to practice consistent with their education, training, and experience.

F. Each JURISDICTION may require payment of its regular fees.

G. Each JURISDICTION may require three (3) letters of professional reference, each of which must attest without reservation, to the applicant's professional competence, ethics, and current fitness to practice.

H. Each JURISDICTION agrees to report all disciplinary actions taken to the ASPPB Disciplinary Data Bank, and to cooperate regarding disciplinary actions of mutual interest.

I. Each BOARD agrees to promptly inform ASPPB of:

1. a change in its Law and/or Rules and Regulations affecting the practice of psychology; and
2. any Court decisions affecting the practice of psychology.

J. Once issued hereunder, the license and/or certification shall be subject to the Laws and regulatory authority of the issuing JURISDICTION.

K. If any of the above requirements are not met, the JURISDICTION may deny the application under the terms of this Agreement.

IV. Each JURISDICTION agrees to the following administrative procedures:

#### A. AMENDMENT

Following consultation with signatory JURISDICTIONS, Amendments to this Agreement may be made by the ASPPB Board of Directors.

## B. TERMINATION

Each JURISDICTION shall have the right to terminate their participation in this Agreement upon ninety (90) days written notice to the ASPPB central office. ASPPB shall notify all signatory jurisdictions of such termination. No license and/or certificate issued under the terms of this Agreement shall be adversely affected by reason of such termination.

## C. COMPLIANCE:

The ASPPB Board of Directors shall be empowered to assess and determine continuing compliance with the criteria and terms of this Agreement. Following appropriate review and consultation with the jurisdiction in question, the ASPPB Board of Directors also has the right to terminate the agreement for any jurisdiction found to be in non-compliance. No license and/or certificate issued under the terms of this Agreement shall be adversely affected by reason of such termination.

## D. DURATION

This Agreement, and any amendments hereto, shall continue until terminated.

The following jurisdictions are parties to the ASPPB Agreement of Reciprocity.

Arkansas	Kentucky	Manitoba	Mississippi
Missouri	Nevada	New Hampshire	Oklahoma
Ontario	Texas	Wisconsin	