

**612:10-7-117. Psychiatric and psychological treatment [AMENDED]**

(a) Psychotherapy may be provided for emotional conditions which may be expected to respond within a reasonable period of time. Psychotherapy can be provided only by the sources in (1) - (5) of this Subsection.

(1) Psychiatrists certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology or completed the required training and are "Board Qualified", or who have spent a major portion of their time in a particular specialty for at least two years and are recognized as specialists in the local community (same criteria as applied to other medical specialists).

(2) Licensed Doctors of Medicine or Doctors of Osteopathy who have received specific training for and are experienced in performing mental health therapeutic, diagnostic, or counseling functions.

(3) Psychologists with a doctorate in clinical or counseling psychology who hold a valid license to practice psychology.

(4) Psychologists with a doctorate in clinical or counseling psychology who are employed by governmental agencies exempt from the licensing law.

(5) Other licensed clinicians or those employed by governmental agencies who have received administrative approval to provide this treatment service.

(b) Treatment may be purchased for a period not to exceed three months. Upon receipt of a written report from the therapist, ~~the supervisor may approve~~ additional three-month periods may be authorized. Long-term psychiatric or psychological treatment is outside the scope of vocational rehabilitation services. Clients needing long-term or ongoing psychiatric or psychological treatment will be referred to the appropriate community mental health center.

(c) Personal Adjustment Counseling may be provided for those persons with emotional conditions who may benefit from counseling to bring about a more adequate social adjustment, alleviate superficial anxiety, and to create more effective interpersonal relationships. Personal Adjustment Counseling may be provided by: those individuals listed in (a) of this Section.

(d) Personal Adjustment Counseling may be purchased for a three-month period following approval of the IPE by the supervisor. Additional three-month periods may be provided upon review of a written report from the therapist ~~and approval of the supervisor.~~