

**Title 20—DEPARTMENT OF
COMMERCE AND INSURANCE
Division 2233—State Committee of Marital and Family Therapists
Chapter 2—Licensure Requirements**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2233-2.010 Educational Requirements. The committee is amending section (3).

PURPOSE: This amendment amends the language regarding client contact hours.

- (3) An applicant for licensure or supervision shall have completed the following:
- (A) Three (3) semester hours or five (5) quarter hours of study in the area of theoretical foundations of marriage and family therapy; *[and]*
 - (B) Twelve (12) semester hours or twenty (20) quarter hours of study in the area of the practice of marriage and family therapy; *[and]*
 - (C) Six (6) semester hours or ten (10) quarter hours of study in the area of human development and family studies; *[and]*
 - (D) Three (3) semester hours or five (5) quarter hours of study in the area of ethics and professional studies; *[and]*
 - (E) Three (3) semester hours or five (5) quarter hours of study in the area of research methodology; *[and]*
 - (F) Six (6) semester hours or ten (10) quarter hours of practicum in marital and family therapy, including *[at least five hundred (500) hours of client contact.] the number of client contact hours as set forth by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) standards; and*
 - (G) Three (3) semester hours or five (5) quarter hours of study in the area of diagnostic systems either within the curriculum leading to a master, doctoral, or specialist degree, or post master's graduate level course work prior to the issuance of a license.

AUTHORITY: sections 337.715[, RSMo 2016,] and [section] 337.727, RSMo Supp. [2019] 2021. This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 233-2.010. Original rule filed Dec. 31, 1997, effective July 30, 1998. For intervening history, please consult the **Code of State Regulations**. Amended: filed June 22, 2022.*

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with State Committee of Marital and Family Therapists, Gloria Lindsey, Executive Director, PO Box 1335, Jefferson City, MO 65102, by faxing comments to (573) 751-0735, or by emailing comments to maritalfam@pr.mo.gov.

*To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.*