

TN Law – Licensure for Professional Counselors/ What Clinical Means

(11) Clinical setting - A setting that applies the principles, methods, and therapeutic techniques practiced by professional counselors including diagnosis, appraisal, assessment, treatment and treatment planning of a broad spectrum of client problems including, but not limited to, developmental, mental, emotional, family, and DSM disorders. A clinical setting is that which ensures adequate supervision by no fewer than two (2) licensed mental health professionals, as listed in Rule 0450-1-.05 (5) (b) 1, and shall provide adequate supervision and training experiences with the physical resources necessary to allow for supervision and appropriate service delivery.

A clinical setting shall include, but not be limited to, mental health or community agency settings pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 63-22-104 (3) (B). Clinical settings which are exclusively in a private practice and/or clinical settings which focus exclusively on only one (1) aspect of professional counseling (i.e. counseling of children) are not acceptable for meeting the supervision requirements of Rule 0450-1-.10.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-5-202, 4-5-204, 63-22-102, 63-22-104, and 63-22-120.