

42 C.F.R. § 410.54

Mental health counselor services.

- (a) *Definition: mental health counselor.* For purposes of this part, a *mental health counselor* is defined as an individual who—
- (1) Possesses a master's or doctor's degree which qualifies for licensure or certification as a mental health counselor, clinical professional counselor, professional counselor under the State law of the State in which such individual furnishes the services defined as mental health counselor services;
- (2) After obtaining such a degree, has performed at least 2 years or 3,000 hours of post master's degree clinical supervised experience in mental health counseling in an appropriate setting such as a hospital, SNF, private practice, or clinic; and

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