



Resources & Practice Support for Registered Clinical Social Workers

RCSW Exam Preparation

1. Clinical Exam Prep course: NASW-WA has been offering the same course online every few months since the pandemic began, next offered in September 2021.
<https://www.nasw-wa.org/event-info/licensure-exam-preparation-workshop-9-17-21>
When there is enough demand, BCASW may host in-person training.
2. DSM course: *Differential Diagnosis Using the DSM-5: Improving Clinical Outcomes through Clear Assessment & Diagnosis*. Members receive a 20% discount with Jack Hirose & Associates.

Setting up a Private Practice

3. [Discounted liability insurance \(BMS\)](#) with options for legal entity coverage, free student coverage, [time-limited pro bono legal advice](#) or \$30 unlimited. Consider cyberliability coverage, extended reporting period coverage
4. Private practice roster- supervision listed as service offered.
bc.findasocialworker.ca
Members can access a free six-month listing in *Psychology Today's* Therapy Directory (worth \$210) with BMS insurance coverage.
5. [Mentors/group](#)
6. Private practice portal (CASW)

Finding Employment/Contracting

7. Job Postings
8. Networking Opportunities-committees, branches, events

Practice Support & Continuing Professional Development

9. Webinars, live, on-demand and live events for continuing professional development
10. CPD bursaries and scholarships for practitioners
11. Peer consultation re ethical issues, resources, etc.
12. Communications and updates: newsmagazine, Ebulletins, branch info, media monitoring
13. [The Social Work Reference Center \(SWRC\)](#)
 - Ensure decisions are made based on the most current evidence
 - Easily access premier social work and medical journals
 - Help provide clients with information materials
 - Topics include adolescent health, aging, behavioral and mental health, end of life care, clinical social work, diversity and equality and more
14. Communities of Practice- Primary Care, Seniors Issues

Advancing the Profession & Advocacy for Inclusion

15. Advocacy for inclusion on third party insurance plans as a provider of service: continual with slow progress. Plans differ from employer to employer. The insurance companies will say that they will add social workers at the employers' request. This involves union contracts therefore we work with the unions.

[Navigating the Private Payer Landscape](#) webinar.

- success with ICBC- social workers are now considered service providers.
- CASW is making some progress with the Public Health Service Alliance of Canada.
- Request for clarification from Veterans' Affairs: can an RCSW provide a diagnosis for an assessment for disability where the main intended outcome is pension eligibility?
- [Brochures for clients to use to advocate](#) for their employer's inclusion

16. Promotion of social work roles with employers:

- BCASW is at the table with the MoH Allied Professions Worktable to provide input into their three-year strategic plan which addresses recruitment and retention and the Provincial Health Care Social Work Working Group
- info sheet on defining [the social work role in primary care](#)

17. Policy papers, statements, media releases

18. A voice in advocacy for the future of our profession and social justice:

BCASW is working for protection of title for all social workers. AS MCFD holds the Social Workers Act, this would mean that MCFD would remove exemptions to registration from the regulations or that social work would be included in the MoH's modernization of the Health Professions Act.

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