

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

38:10-13-2. Continuing education standards. Subchapter 13-2 is adding language that defines a continuing education course must be a minimum of one (1) hour in length. Anything over one (1) hour of education will be counted in quarter hours or 15 minutes increments.

Persons most likely affected will be counselors and candidates that are required to obtain yearly continuing education for maintenance of applications or renewal of certifications/licensure.

The persons that will benefit are the candidates and certified/licensed counselors that are required to obtain continuing education each year. Consumers will benefit because candidates and counselors will be able to remain up to date with current trends and changes in the treatment of substance abuse and mental health issues.

There is no appreciable economic impact on candidates or counselors.

This does not effect any costs to an agency.

There is no economic impact to any political subdivision.

There is no adverse economic impact on small businesses.

There is no less costly or non-regulatory method or less intrusive method for achieving the purpose of the rule change.

There is no impact on public health, safety, or environmental impact if this rule is not implemented.