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## **MEMORANDUM**

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To: Colorado State Board of Licensed Professional Counselor Examiners

From: Mark Merrill

Date: December 17, 2010

Subject: Rulemaking Regarding Continued Competency

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The proposed rules for Continued Competence Program (CCP) for Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) are presented for your consideration.

As you can tell from the “redline version” of the rules, the implementation of CCP affects purpose and scope of the LPC rules in order to incorporate the requirements for renewal and reactivation of LPC licenses.

1. Rule 12 is affected by incorporating the CCP into the renewal process.
2. Rule 15 is affected by modifying the requirements for reinstatement of the SW license and setting forth the two (2) year period requirements.
3. Rules 19 & 20 are new rules that guide Continued Professional Competence and the inactive status and reactivation of a LPC license.

Because we are required to have the rules in effect by January 1, 2011, we will have to have two rulemaking hearings: one to adopt emergency rules in order to be effective on 1/1/2011; and, then the permanent rules that will follow the normal rulemaking process and go into effect at a later date. The two rulemaking hearings will occur today.