

Comparisons LCSW & LCPC

Licensed Clinical Social Worker

Board of Social Worker Licensure

Master level clinician who has completed hours of clinical internship

Must pass Association of Social Work Boards Clinical examination

Can diagnose and treat clients in areas of mental illness or emotional disorders

Can bill MaineCare & all privates (Medicaid)

Can bill Medicare (adults)

Provide assistance to individuals, families and communities to increase social functioning and maintain a sense for safety. Focus Treatment on whole family system and connecting to services

Job Duties:

- Identify people and communities in need of support and services.
- Assess, connect and provide psychotherapy for clients.
- Collaborate with clients to make positive changes in their daily living.
- Advocate for client and community needs.
- Research, refer and assist clients with community support.
- Evaluate outside service to determine efficacy.

Re-certs every 2 years with 25 CEUs

Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor

Board of Counseling Professionals Licensure

Master level counselor who has completed hours of clinical internship

Must pass National Clinical Mental Health Counseling Examination and the National Counselor Examination

Can diagnose and treat clients in areas of mental health disorders

Can bill MaineCare & all privates (Medicaid)

Cannot bill Medicare (adults)

Provide clinical support and guidance for people challenged with mental and emotional disorders, interpersonal dynamics and other concerns that result from stressors.

Job Duties:

- Assess, diagnose and coordinate appropriate care for mental health disorders.
- Create effective treatment plans to facilitate client growth.
- Encourage open sharing about thoughts and emotions.
- Explore difficult experiences, such as trauma, relationship dissatisfaction, occupational stresses or family conflict.
- Assist clients to develop positive coping strategies for life stressors.

Re-certs every 2 years with 55 CEUs