

### **311.700 Disciplinary actions regarding licenses.**

- (1) The board may revoke, suspend, deny, decline to renew, limit, or restrict the license of a genetic counselor, or may fine, reprimand, or place a genetic counselor on probation for no more than five (5) years upon proof that a genetic counselor has:
  - (a) Knowingly made or presented or caused to be made or presented any false, fraudulent, or forged statement, writing, certificate, diploma, or other document relating to an application for licensure;
  - (b) Practiced, aided, or abetted in the practice of fraud, forgery, deception, collusion, or conspiracy relating to an examination for licensure;
  - (c) Been convicted by any court of a misdemeanor offense involving moral turpitude or been convicted of an act that is or would be a felony under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky or of the United States;
  - (d) Become addicted to or is an abuser of alcohol, drugs, or any illegal substance;
  - (e) Developed a physical or mental disability or other condition that presents a danger in continuing to practice genetic counseling to patients, the public, or other health care personnel;
  - (f) Knowingly made or caused to be made or aided or abetted in the making of a false statement in any document executed in connection with the practice of genetic counseling;
  - (g) Performed any act or service as a genetic counselor without designated supervision;
  - (h) Exceeded the scope of practice for which the genetic counselor is licensed by the board;
  - (i) Aided, assisted, or abetted the unlawful practice of genetic counseling;
  - (j) Willfully violated a confidential communication;
  - (k) Performed the services of a genetic counselor in an unprofessional, incompetent, or grossly or chronically negligent manner;
  - (l) Been removed, suspended, expelled, or placed on probation by any health care facility or professional society for unprofessional conduct, incompetence, negligence, or violation of any provision of KRS 311.690 to 311.700;
  - (m) Violated any applicable provision of administrative regulations relating to genetic counseling;
  - (n) Violated any term of probation or other discipline imposed by the board; or
  - (o) Failed to complete the required number of hours of approved continuing education.
- (2) All disciplinary proceedings against a genetic counselor shall be conducted in accordance with KRS Chapter 13B. Any party aggrieved by a final order of the board may appeal to the Jefferson Circuit Court.

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