





Virginia will license MA level "Psychological Practitioners," effective January 1, 2025 (House Bill 1499)

## **Psychological Practitioners**

- Indefinite supervision *or* Independent practice.
  - Independent practice requires one year, 2000 hour supervised experience, occurring post-degree and within 3 years of application for autonomy.
- APA now accredits MA programs.
  - The Board may issue a Guidance Document to help MA applicants with program equivalency.

- Doctoral-level psychologists should consider their roles as supervisors.
  - Supervisors must be clinical psychologists with 2+ years experience.
- The Board is considering a temporary period of lower application fees in this new license category.



## Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program

Recovery monitoring program that will facilitate connection to treatment.

"The primary role... is to provide assistance" to impaired practitioners.

"Participation in the program is **voluntary**. Disciplinary action may be avoided and, in the absence of criminal behavioral or Board action, public records may not be generated."

https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/PractitionerResources/HealthPractitionersMonitoringProgram/

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