

TENNESSEE SOCIAL WORK LICENSURE LAW

The chart below provides a brief overview of Social Work Licensure in Tennessee.

NASW, Tennessee Chapter advocated with the Tennessee General Assembly in 2008 to implement licensure changes that allow for increased recognition and accountability for social workers that have graduated from Council on Social Work Education accredited social work program. Tennessee citizens and employers can now trust that a licensed social worker has met specific educational, testing and continuing education requirements. Licensed social workers also are under the oversight of the Tennessee Social Work Licensure Board that has the authority and responsibility to issue licenses, and to take action when licensees have engaged in inappropriate practice.

Additional information on Social Work Licensure in Tennessee is posted on the NASW, Tennessee Chapter website at www.naswtn.com. The licensure section on that website has direct links to the Tennessee Social Work Licensure Board where individual licensure applications can be downloaded. All applicants and licensees should also be familiar with the **Rules and Regulations** related to Social Work Licensure in Tennessee. These rules are posted on the Licensure Board website and a link is also on the NASW, Tennessee Chapter website.



