

65-5817. Disclosures to client at beginning of client-therapist relationship; documentation. A licensee under the professional counselors licensure act, at the beginning of a client-therapist relationship, shall inform the client of the level of such licensee's training and the title or titles and license or licenses of such licensee. As a part of such obligation, such licensee shall disclose whether such licensee has a master's degree or a doctoral degree. If such licensee has a doctoral degree, such licensee shall disclose whether or not such doctoral degree is a doctor of medicine degree or some other doctoral degree. If such licensee does not have a medical doctor's degree, such licensee shall disclose that the licensee is not authorized to practice medicine and surgery and is not authorized to prescribe drugs. As a part of such disclosure, such licensee shall advise the client that certain mental disorders can have medical or biological origins, and that the client should consult with a physician. Documentation of such disclosures to a client shall be made in the client's record.

History: L. 1999, ch. 117, § 4; July 1, 2000.