

## CERTIFIED MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST

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### I. ISSUE

Certified Marriage and Family Therapist.

### II. POLICY

A. Provider certification criteria follow:

1. The provider must meet education and training requirements as specified in [32 CFR 199.6](#).

2. The provider must be licensed or certified as a marriage and family therapist.

α. If licensure/certification is offered by the jurisdiction in which the provider is practicing, it is required in all cases, even if the jurisdiction offers it on an optional basis. Contractors must verify licensure/certification rules for jurisdictions not included below. The following jurisdictions provide licensure or certification for marriage and family therapists:

Alabama  
Alaska  
Arizona  
Arkansas  
California  
Colorado  
Connecticut  
Florida  
Georgia  
Hawaii  
Illinois  
Indiana  
Iowa  
Kansas  
Kentucky  
Maine  
Maryland  
Massachusetts

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Michigan  
Minnesota  
Mississippi  
Missouri  
Nebraska  
Nevada  
New Hampshire  
New Jersey  
New Mexico  
North Carolina  
Oklahoma  
Oregon  
Rhode Island  
South Carolina  
South Dakota  
Tennessee  
Texas  
Utah  
Vermont  
Virginia  
Washington  
Wisconsin  
Wyoming

or

b. In jurisdictions that do not offer specific licensure or certification for marriage and family therapists, the provider must be certified or be eligible for full clinical membership in, the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT), the national association that sets standards for the profession. If a provider is eligible for full clinical membership in the AAMFT but is not a member, he/she must submit documentation obtained from the AAMFT of such eligibility.

c. The provider must agree that a patients' organic medical problems must receive appropriate concurrent management by a physician. The provider must enter into a participation agreement with the TRICARE/CHAMPUS.

### III. EXCLUSION

Associate members or student members of the AAMFT are not eligible for consideration as authorized certified marriage and family therapists.

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