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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 13, § 84 and M.G.L. c. 30A, § 2, the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Social Workers will hold a public hearing relative to proposed amendments to its regulations, 258 CMR §§ 8.00, 9.00, 12.00, 22.00 and 31.00, the rules and regulations governing the practice of practicing Social Work. The proposed amendments seek to incorporate a policy requiring a lower level of licensure before being eligible for a higher lever license, change the date for renewals and allows for the proration of supervision hours for part-time applicants and added a requirement for domestic violence training.

The hearing will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Friday October 14th, 2016, at the Division of Professional Licensure in a first floor conference room at 1000 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02118. Interested parties will be given an opportunity to present testimony, orally or in writing, at the hearing. The Board will also accept written comments regarding the proposed amendments through the end of business on October 21, 2016. Written comments may be mailed to the Board of Registration of Social Workers, 1000 Washington Street, Suite 710, Boston, Massachusetts 02118-6100, or emailed to swboard@state.ma.us. A copy of the proposed amendments to the regulations may be found on the Board's website at <http://www.mass.gov/ocabr/licensee/dpl-boards/sw/> or by contacting the Board at 617-727-3073.

Directions to 1000 Washington Street as well as information on parking, are available on DPL's [Agency Officer Locator](#) webpage. Please note that photo identification is required of all persons entering 1000 Washington Street.

Reasonable accommodations or modifications will be provided to individuals with disabilities to participate in the public hearing. All requests should be directed to Cheryl Yebba by calling 617-727-4992 (TTY/TDD 617-727-2099) no later than 48 hours prior to the start of the hearing. While the agency will attempt to honor all requests, those requests received less than 48 hours prior to the start of the meeting may not be accommodated due to feasibility.

