WAC 246-811-049 Approved supervisors. (1) An approved supervisor is a certified substance use disorder professional or a person who meets or exceeds the requirements of a certified substance use disorder professional in the state of Washington, and who would be eligible to take the examination required for certification.

(2) An approved supervisor must have at least three thousand hours of experience in a state approved substance use disorder treatment agency in addition to the supervised experience hours required to become a substance use disorder professional.

(3) An approved supervisor may substitute twenty-eight clock hours of recognized supervisory training for one thousand hours of experience.

(4) An approved supervisor may substitute five hundred hours of experience with thirty-six hours of education specific to:

- (a) Counselor development;
- (b) Professional and ethical standards;
- (c) Program development and quality assurance;
- (d) Performance evaluation;
- (e) Administration;
- (f) Treatment knowledge; and

(g) Washington state law regarding substance use disorder treatment.

(5) An approved supervisor is not a blood or legal relative, significant other, cohabitant of the supervisee, or someone who has acted as the supervisee's primary counselor.

(6) A substance use disorder professional trainee (SUDPT) must receive documentation of his or her approved supervisor's qualifications before training begins.

(7) An approved supervisor or other certified substance use disorder professional must review and sign all substance use disorder professional trainee clinical documentation.

(8) An approved supervisor is responsible for all patients assigned to the substance use disorder professional trainee they supervise.

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