

**WAC 246-809-320 Education requirements.** The following are the education requirements for the social worker applicant's practice area:

(1) Licensed advanced social worker or licensed social worker associate-advanced must have graduated from a master's social work educational program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education or a social work doctorate program at a university accredited by a recognized accrediting organization.

(2) Licensed independent clinical social worker or licensed social worker associate-independent clinical must have graduated from a master's level social work educational program accredited by the Council on Social Work Education or a social work doctorate program at a university accredited by a recognized accrediting organization.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.225.040, 2021 c 276, 2020 c 76, and 2023 c 425. WSR 23-23-150, § 246-809-320, filed 11/20/23, effective 1/1/24. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.225.040. WSR 17-13-082, § 246-809-320, filed 6/16/17, effective 7/17/17. Statutory Authority: Chapter 18.225 RCW. WSR 09-15-039, § 246-809-320, filed 7/8/09, effective 7/8/09. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.225.040 and [18.225.]090. WSR 06-18-043, § 246-809-320, filed 8/30/06, effective 9/30/06. Statutory Authority: 2001 c 251, RCW 43.70.250. WSR 01-17-113, § 246-809-320, filed 8/22/01, effective 9/22/01.]