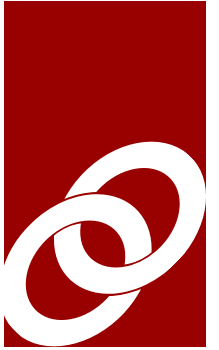


State of the Profession

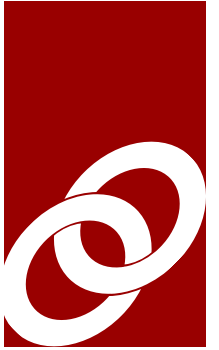
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State of the Profession

- CAMFT Update
- BBS Updates
- Federal Level
- California and Local
- Why Call CAMFT Legal Consultation?
- Questions



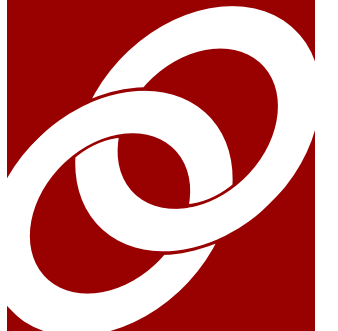


Learning Objectives

- Learn about at least 3 recent/pending legislations and how marriage and family therapists may be impacted by the bills.
- Identify 1 resource for legal consultation for therapists.
- Identify important components of a professional will.



CAMFT Updates

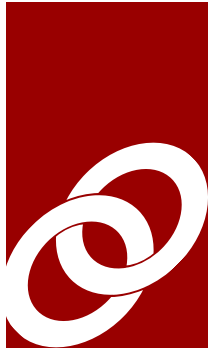


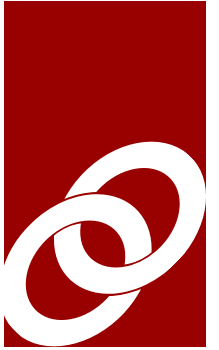


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CAMFT & COVID-19

- Go to CAMFT website for up to date information
 - www.camft.org
 - Telehealth FAQs
 - PSA video you can share on social media (go to Facebook/Twitter)
- Legal Team is answering questions
- Discouraging paper renewals (go online or call to renew/join)
- Staff is entirely remote, sheltering in place

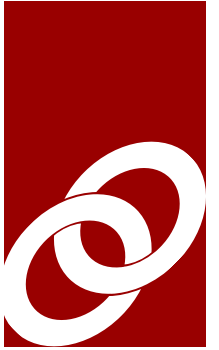




What do I bring to CAMFT?

- **Mental health lens**
 - PhD in clinical psychology
 - Autism
 - Public hospital
 - APA
- **Diversity**
 - Multicultural heritage
 - Bilingual (Spanish)
- **Association Experience**
 - Diversity Executive Leadership Program
 - CAE

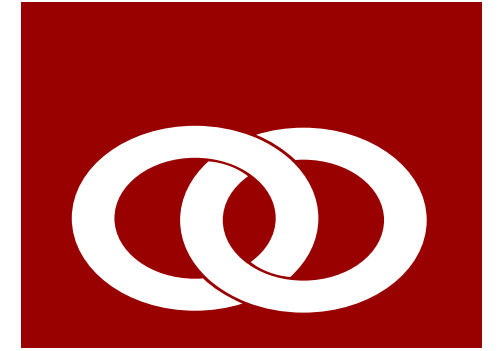




Live Education Events

- The 55th CAMFT Annual Conference
 - **CANCELLED** - ☹☹☹
 - Luke Wood, PhD, “Black Minds Matter”
 - Tarane Sondoozi, PsyD, MEd, CEAP, “Pink Lemonade: Post Traumatic Growth and Wellness”
 - Tina Payne Bryson, PhD, LCSW, “The Power of Showing Up”
- Fall Symposium - ???

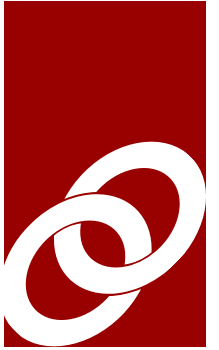




On Demand Learning Library

- 80 online courses
- Supervision workshop series
- Law & Ethics (lots of 1 hour courses)
- Can earn all 36 hours of CE online!
- Sneak preview for CAMFT members...

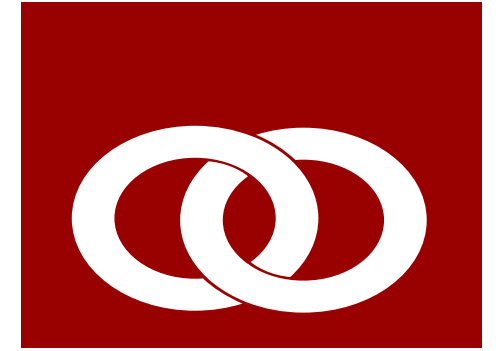




CAMFT Leadership Conference

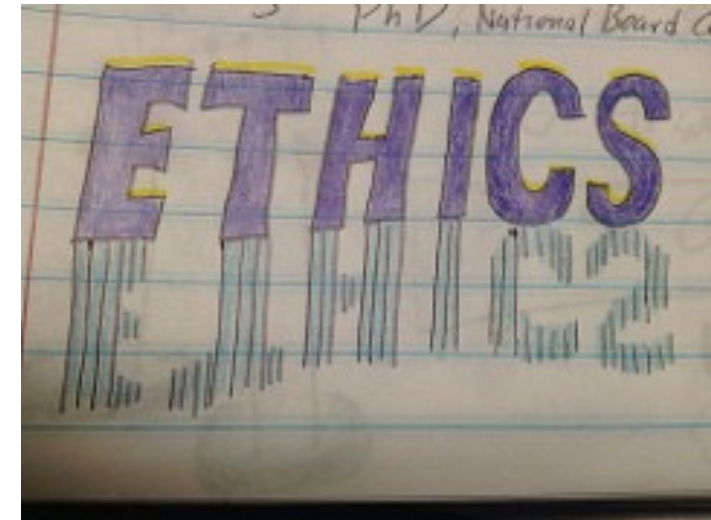
- Training for Chapter Leaders
 - February 21-22, 2020
 - Surviving and Thriving in Chapter Leadership
 - Engaging Members: From Participating to Volunteering
 - How to Govern Your Board Effectively
 - Building Relationships with Sponsors and Market Effectively





Ethics Revision 2019

- Approved by Board December 2019
- Biggest set of changes in an update
- CE workshops being planned for 2020



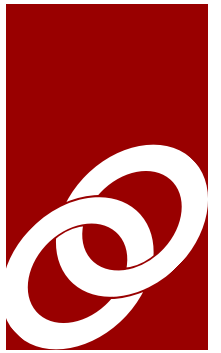


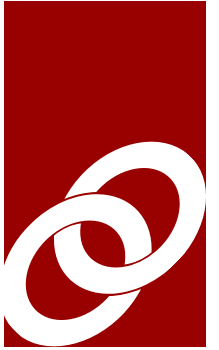
Prelicensees

- Prelicensee Event, Sept 2019
- Job Fair at Annual Conference
- Legal Consultation
- Board Statement on Prelicensee Pay



CAMFT wants you... to donate to the PAC!





Secrets to CAMFT's Success!

Infrastructure

- Amazingly knowledgeable staff!
 - At least 3 MFTs will be added
- Great finances
- Vision to amplify the MFT voice

Leadership

- Engaged, passionate Board
- Great chapter leaders

Community & Relationships

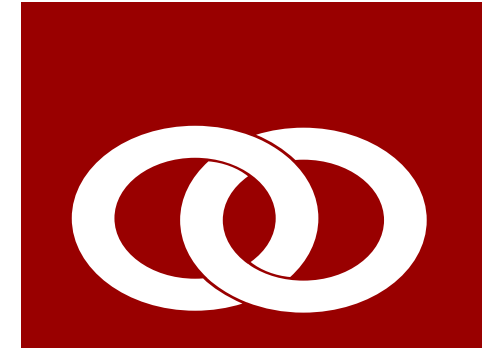
- Members are so important
- Chapters are a critical part of providing personal connections.
- Great relationships with stakeholders

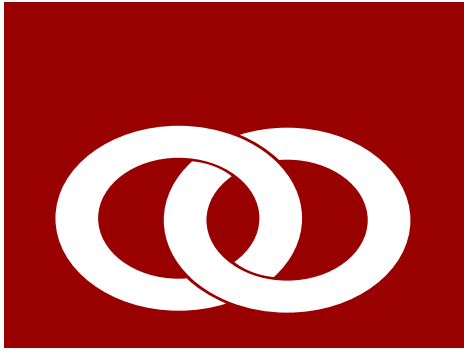
Member Benefits

- Legal consultation
- Advocacy
- Education (live and online)
- Affinity partners (new dental/vision insurance)

Volunteer with CAMFT

- Board of Directors – Oct 2020 deadline
- Committees – April 2020 deadline
- Chapters!





Demographic Survey

- **Quick recap from the CAMFT 2017 Demographic Survey**
 - Average age of LMFT is 58-67 and 80% women
 - Most common online advertising 58% Psychology Today
 - Private Practice most common setting 68%
 - Average number of sessions - 13-24 sessions
 - Usual and customary fee between \$121-\$140 (individual)
 - If you bill insurance average fee is \$61-\$75 (individual)
 - Only 18% have a Professional Will (info on camft.org)





Professional Will

- Different from a personal will
- Provide your professional info: License(s), address
- Professional Executor (ideally 2)
 - Act on your behalf with storing/releasing/disposing records
- Files, passwords, contacts list
- Include rates that the executor can charge your estate for these services.
- Information on how to access
 - Current client records
 - Past client records
 - Billing/financial records
 - Appointment book
 - Computer and password
 - Email, website
 - Office phone number/voicemail
 - Professional liability insurance
 - Keys to access all this

BBS Updates



Topics of Interest-2020

Associate Requirements

Considering changes to registration timeframes

Private Practice and Exempt Setting Definitions

New Test Vendor

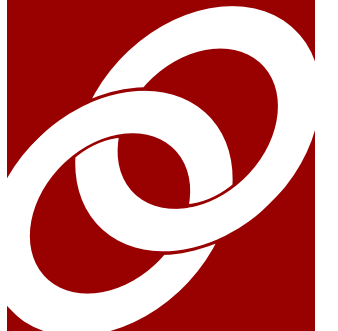
BBS Facebook page is answering questions on this
(@BehavioralSciencesBoardCA)

Bbs.ca.gov

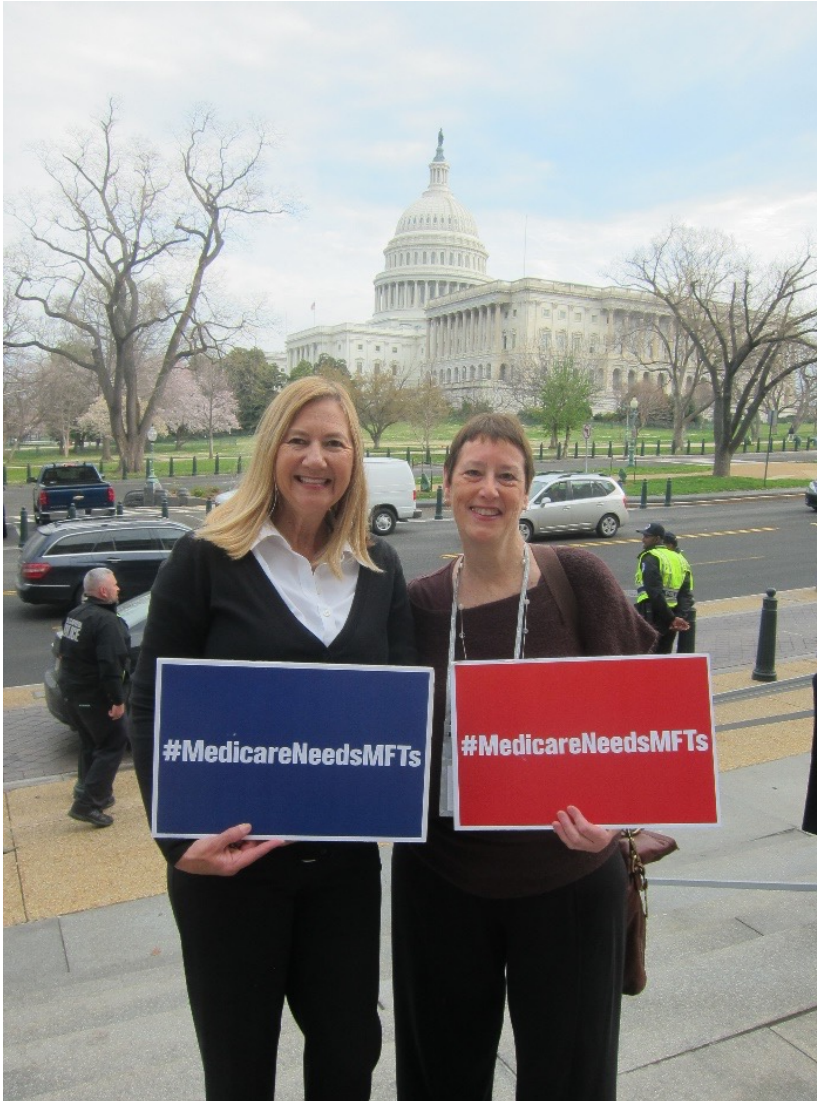
Attend meetings!



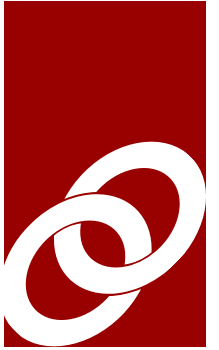
Federal Level



Medicare



- Legislation to add LMFTs as providers of Medicare
- CAMFT has obtained bi-partisan co-authors in both the House (HR 945) and Senate (S 286)
- 100+ Co-Sponsors
- Contact your legislators!!!



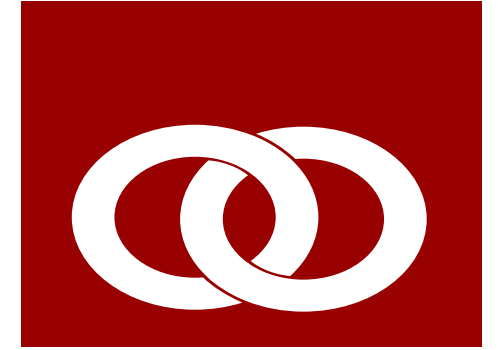
Veterans Affairs

- VA released standards for employment of LMFTs
 - Can start to work at VA
 - May not be able to advance
- CAMFT will continue to lobby to improve these standards.



In California...





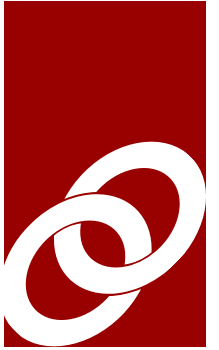
2019 California Advocacy Reminders

- Suicide CEs 1/1/21
 - 6 hours requirement
- Livescan Requirement
 - Effective 1/1/20
- Consumer Notification
- LEP Supervision (up to 1,200 hours)
 - Effective 1/1/20
- AB 5 and Independent Contractor Status
 - Article by Cathy Atkins

2020 California Advocacy

- Legislative Positions Selected by March
- AB 5 and Independent Contractors
- Newsom Priorities
 - Mental Health Parity
 - Homelessness
 - Plan Evaluation and Enforcement
 - Labor Enforcement (AB 5)





Health Care Plans

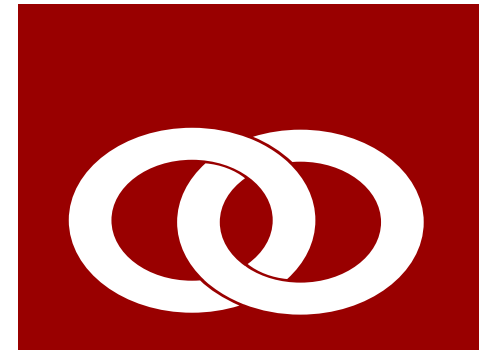
- Advocacy with Dept of Insurance, Dept of Managed Health Care, Dept of Health Care Services
- Direct communication with health care plans
- Parity compliance, administrative complexities, reimbursement

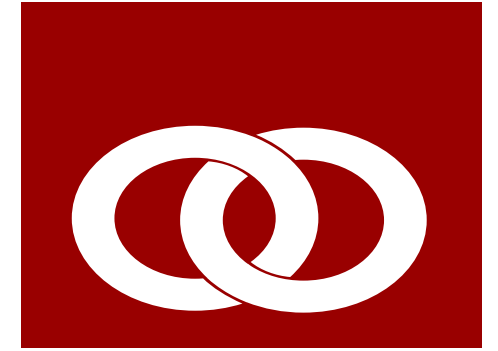


Legal Resources



Why call CAMFT?





Why call CAMFT for legal consultation?

- **Subpoenas** – how to appropriately respond to a subpoena
- **Child abuse reporting** – discuss whether or not a case you are seeing meets the threshold for reporting child abuse
- **Minors** – can a minor consent for treatment; divorced parents and required consent from parents
- **Ethics** – if you are concerned about an ethical breach
- **Licensure** – are you meeting the requirements for BBS?
- *Reminder – CAMFT provides legal consultation, but does not represent you in a court of law*

Questions?

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