

*Board Certification/BCD,  
Clinical Social Worker Psychoanalyst*

Criteria for BCDs who are *psychoanalytic institute graduates*

- ◇ **Training**, graduate of a psychoanalytic institute training program
- ◇ **Personal analysis** by a training analyst or equivalent (at least 5-years of post-graduate experience as a psychoanalyst), in-person, for a minimum of 40 weeks/300 hours during a year (at a frequency of 3-5 sessions per week, on separate days)
- ◇ **Supervision**
  - Supervised in practice for a minimum of 150-200 hours by a training analyst or equivalent
  - Supervised in conducting two adult psychoanalysis cases, at least one was supervised to completion—lasting at least two years in one instance, and at least one year in the other
- ◇ **Currency of Practice**, within the past year a minimum of...
  - 300 hrs. of clinical social work practice informed by psychoanalytic theory
  - Formal psychoanalysis with at least two clients
- ◇ **Continuing Education**, within the past three years, 40 clock hours of clinical continuing education, of which 50% can be identified as psychoanalytically oriented
- ◇ **Direct Practice**, within three years or more...
  - 4,500 hours of post-master's clinical social work practice informed by psychoanalytic theory
- ◇ **Practice Evaluation**, successful evaluation by two colleagues/supervisors/ consultants who are clinical social work psychoanalysts or analysts who are clinical psychologists or psychiatrists

Additional Requirements for those not board-certified

In order to attain the psychoanalysis credential you must meet the criteria for the *Board Certified Diplomate* (BCD) of the American Board of Examiners in Clinical Social Work (ABE):

- ◆ Master's (or Doctoral) degree in social work with coursework & field work focused on direct practice
- ◆ Highest clinical licensure in each state or jurisdiction in which you practice (unless exempted by terms of government employment)
- ◆ 5 years/7,500 hours of post-graduate clinical practice (2 years/3,000 hours of this practice must be under supervision)
- ◆ Evaluation of practice by a colleague/supervisor/consultant who is a Clinical Social Worker (BCD or BCD-eligible)