



## Substance Use Disorder (SUD) and Problem Gambling (PG) Counselor Scope of Practice

<b>Career Ladder Counselor Category</b>	<b>Education/Training/Qualifications</b> (see Training Requirements for additional details)	<b>Functions Permitted (with Regular Supervision)</b>	<b>Functions Permitted (with Intensive Supervision)</b>	<b>Functions <u>Not</u> Permitted</b>
<b>Counselor Assistant</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum of HS Diploma or HSE and</li> <li>• Enrolled in a 350 Hour Educational Program <b>or</b></li> <li>• Completion of one-time requirements within 3 months of hire</li> </ul>	SUD and COD Screening, Orientation, Case Management, Basic Crisis Response	Non- Clinical Intake, Group Co-Facilitator with CASAC level 2 or higher, Psycho-education, Referral, Care Coordination, Reporting and Recordkeeping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SUD: Assessment, Intervention, Treatment Planning, Individual, Group &amp; Family Counseling</li> <li>• Clinical Supervision,</li> <li>• Administrative Supervision</li> <li>• Does not meet QHP requirements for CASAC work experience supervision</li> </ul>
<b>CASAC Trainee Certificate or Internships/Field Placements</b> (see Definitions)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum of HS Diploma or HSE and</li> <li>• Completion of a 350 Hour Educational Program <b>or</b></li> <li>• 4,000 hours of work experience and</li> <li>• 85 hours of Section I education and</li> <li>• Completion of one-time requirements</li> <li>• Background Check</li> </ul>	SUD and COD Screening, SUD: Intake, Orientation, Group Co-Facilitator, Case Management, Basic Crisis Response, Client Education, Referral, Reporting & Recordkeeping, Care Coordination, Crisis Intervention	SUD: Assessment, PG Assessment, Diagnostic Impression, LOCADTR, Treatment Planning, Individual & Group Counseling, Psychoeducation, Family Orientation & Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinical Supervision</li> <li>• Administrative Supervision</li> <li>• Does not meet QHP requirements for CASAC work experience supervision</li> </ul>



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<p><b>CASAC Provisional Certificate</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum of a bachelor’s or master’s degree in human services and transcript submission</li> <li>• One-time requirements</li> <li>• Verification of Employment/Letter of Intent to Hire</li> <li>• Background Check</li> </ul>	<p>SUD and COD Screening, SUD: Intake, Orientation, Group Co-Facilitator, Case Management, Basic Crisis Response, Client Education, Referral, Reporting &amp; Recordkeeping, Care Coordination,</p>	<p>SUD: Assessment Diagnostic Impression, LOCADTR, Treatment Planning, Individual &amp; Group Counseling, Psycho- education, Family Orientation &amp; Support</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinical Supervision</li> <li>• Administrative Supervision</li> <li>• Does not meet QHP requirements for CASAC work experience supervision</li> </ul>
<p><b>CASAC</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum of High School Diploma/HSE</li> <li>• CASAC Credential</li> <li>• Background Check</li> </ul>	<p>SUD and COD Screening, SUD: Intake, Orientation, Assessment, Diagnostic Impression, LOCADTR, Treatment Planning, Individual &amp; Group Counseling, Family Counseling, Psychoeducation, Case Management, Crisis Intervention, Client Education, Referral, Reporting &amp; Recordkeeping, Care Coordination</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinical Supervision</li> <li>• Administrative Supervision</li> <li>• Does not meet QHP requirements for CASAC work experience supervision</li> </ul>
<p><b>CASAC Level 2</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CASAC and</li> <li>• Minimum of Associates Degree in human services</li> <li>• Background Check</li> </ul>	<p>SUD and COD Screening, Intake, Orientation, SUD Assessment, SUD Diagnostic Impression, LOCADTR, Treatment Planning, Individual and Group Counseling, Family Counseling, Psychoeducation, Case Management, Crisis Intervention, Client Education, Referral, Reporting &amp; Recordkeeping, Care Coordination, Administrative Supervision</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinical Supervision</li> <li>• Does not meet QHP requirements for CASAC work experience supervision</li> </ul>



<p><b>CASAC - Advanced Counselor</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CASAC and</li> <li>• Minimum of bachelor’s degree and</li> <li>• 30-Hour of OASAS approved Clinical Supervision Foundations I &amp; II training</li> <li>• Background check</li> </ul>	<p>SUD and COD Screening, SUD: Intake, Orientation, Assessment, Diagnostic Impression, LOCADTR, Treatment Planning, Individual and Group Counseling, Family Counseling, Psychoeducation, Case Management, Crisis Intervention, Client Education, Referral, Reporting &amp; Recordkeeping, Care Coordination, Administrative Supervision, Clinical Supervision</p>		<p>See NYSED law and regulations for all licensed QHPs supervisory requirements and supervisory functions</p>
<p><b>CASAC - Master Counselor</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CASAC and</li> <li>• Master’s degree in Human Services for CASACs or required degree for licensed QHPs and</li> <li>• CASACS must hold CASAC status for at least three consecutive years.</li> <li>• 30-Hours of Clinical Supervision Foundations I &amp; II training</li> <li>• Background check</li> </ul>	<p>SUD and COD Screening, SUD: Intake, Orientation, Assessment, Diagnostic Impression, LOCADTR, Treatment Planning, Individual and Group Counseling, Family Counseling, Psychoeducation, Case Management, Crisis Intervention, Client Education, Referral, Reporting &amp; Recordkeeping, Care Coordination, Administrative Supervision, Clinical Supervision</p>		<p>See NYSED law and regulations for all licensed QHPs supervisory requirements and supervisory functions</p>



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<b>CASAC-G or CPGC*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CASAC and</li> <li>60 hours of problem gambling core curriculum training</li> <li>Can only provide gambling treatment in a program certified to provide gambling treatment.</li> <li>Background Check</li> </ul>	In addition to CASAC functions: Problem Gambling (PG): Screening, Intake, Orientation, Assessment, Diagnostic Impression, LOCADTR for Gambling, Treatment Planning, Individual & Group Counseling, Family Counseling, Psychoeducation, Case Management, Crisis Intervention, Client Education, Referral, Reporting & Recordkeeping, Care Coordination		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clinical Supervision</li> <li>Administrative Supervision</li> <li>Does not meet QHP requirements for CASAC work experience supervision</li> </ul>
<b>CASAC-G Advanced</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CASAC- G and</li> <li>Minimum of bachelor’s degree and</li> <li>30-Hour of OASAS approved Clinical Supervision Foundations I &amp; II training</li> <li>Can only provide gambling treatment in a program certified to provide gambling treatment.</li> <li>Background check</li> </ul>	In addition to CASAC functions: PG, SUD and COD Screening, PG: Intake, Orientation, Assessment, Diagnostic Impression, LOCADTR for Gambling, Treatment Planning, Individual and Group Counseling, Family Counseling, Psychoeducation, Case Management, Crisis Intervention, Client Education, Referral, Reporting & Recordkeeping, Care Coordination, Administrative and Clinical Supervision		See NYSED law and regulations for all licensed QHPs supervisory requirements and supervisory functions



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<p><b>CASAC-G Master</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CASAC- G and</li> <li>• Master’s degree in Human Services for CASACs or required degree for licensed QHPs and</li> <li>• CASAC must hold CASAC status for at least three consecutive years.</li> <li>• 30-Hours of Clinical Supervision Foundations I &amp; II training</li> <li>• Can only provide gambling treatment in a program certified to provide gambling treatment.</li> <li>• Background check</li> </ul>	<p>In addition to SUD functions: PG, SUD and COD Screening, PG: Intake, Orientation, Assessment, Diagnostic Impression, LOCADTR for Problem Gambling, Treatment Planning, Individual and Group Counseling, Family Counseling, Psychoeducation, Case Management, Crisis Intervention, Client Education, Referral, Reporting &amp; Recordkeeping, Care Coordination, Administrative Supervision, Clinical Supervision</p>		<p>See NYSED law and regulations for all licensed QHPs supervisory requirements and supervisory functions</p>
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**Note: Private Practice is prohibited unless licensed by the NYS Education Department in a qualifying profession**

1. Clinical Supervision Foundations I & II (30 hours): Successful completion required by all Advanced and Master Level CASACs.
  - The 14-hour online component is free and satisfies the CASAC and Scope of Practice requirements: <https://healthknowledge.org/course/search.php?search=Clinical+Supervision>,
  - The 16-hour training is offered by OASAS and OASAS Certified Education and Training Providers. Search for **Clinical Supervision Foundations II** on the OASAS Training Catalog: <https://webapps.oasas.ny.gov/training/> select *scheduled courses* only

**Definitions:**

1. Internships/Field Placements – Students enrolled in an OASAS approved 350-Hour CASAC Education Program internship course or enrolled in a Human Services/Social Work/Counseling degree program internship or field placement course.
2. Licensed Qualified Health Professional – as defined by OASAS Regulation Part 800.3 at <https://oasas.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2019/08/part800.pdf>
3. Administrative and Clinical Supervision – [https://oasas.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2022/06/administrative\\_clinical-supervision.pdf](https://oasas.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2022/06/administrative_clinical-supervision.pdf)

**Abbreviations:**

1. LOCADTR – Level of Care for Alcohol and Drug Treatment Referral
2. LOCADTR- G Level of Care for Alcohol and Drug Treatment Referral for Gambling Treatment
3. HSE – High School Equivalency
4. CPGC – Certified Problem Gambling Counselor (only available for renewal)
5. PG – Problem Gambling
6. NYSED – New York State Education Law
7. QPGP- Qualified Problem Gambling Professional

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