

**MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELOR  
Privilege Request Form**

In order to be eligible to request clinical privileges for Mental Health Counselor, a practitioner must meet the following minimum threshold criteria:

**Education:** A Master's or doctorate degree in social work from a school accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.

**Required Previous Experience:** Two years of full-time paid post-master's or post-doctoral clinical social work experience in an agency or organized setting, supervised by a clinical social worker with at least two years' experience.

**References:** A minimum of three references must be provided from social work colleagues.

**Other Requirements:** Applicant must have a current New Mexico license either as a Licensed Independent Social Worker, Licensed Master Social Worker, or Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker.

If you meet the above criteria, you may request *core* privileges as specified below.

Privilege	Requested	Granted	Granted with Conditions
Core privileges include psychosocial assessments, crisis intervention, supportive counseling, advocacy and protective work (issues of abuse, neglect, or violence), community outreach (referral and coordinating services), discharge planning (arranging transfers for individuals, either home with services or to other hospitals or rehab facilities), and consulting with physicians.			

I understand that in making this request, I am bound by the Medical Staff Bylaws of Holy Cross Hospital, and the Hospital's policies and procedures. I hereby stipulate that I meet the minimum threshold criteria for this request.

Practitioner's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Typed or Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_