



Who Reports

Physicians, Clinical Psychologists and Qualified Examiners

The Firearm Concealed and Carry Act identifies mandated reporters as a physician, clinical psychologist, and qualified examiners.

Not all social workers, registered nurses, clinical professional counselors, or marriage and family therapists are qualified examiners. To understand whether you are a mandated reporter you must closely read the definitions below.

The new Firearm Concealed and Carry Act requires physicians, clinical psychologists and qualified examiners to **notify the Department of Human Services (DHS) within 24 hours** of determining a person is: “Clear and Present Danger” or “Intellectually Disabled”, and **notify the Department of Human Services (DHS) within 7 days** of determining a person is “Developmentally Disabled”; as defined in the Firearm Owner’s Identification Card (FOID) Act Section 1.1.

The identity of the person making the report shall not be released to the subject of the report. The physicians, clinical psychologists and qualified examiners shall not be held liable for making or not making the report except in cases of willful and wanton misconduct.

If you have any questions, concerns or would like to report a person, please follow this link to the Illinois FOID Mental Health Reporting System website

<https://foid.dhs.illinois.gov/foidpublic/foid/>

Direct questions may be forwarded to DHS.FOID@Illinois.gov

Clinical Psychologist

A psychologist registered with the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation who meets the following qualifications: (a) has a doctoral degree from a regionally accredited university, college, or professional school, and has two years of supervised experience in health services of which at least one year is postdoctoral and one year is in an organized health service program; or (b) has a graduate degree in psychology from a regionally accredited university or college, and has not less than six years of experience as a psychologist with at least two years of supervised experience in health services.
[from 405 ILCS 5/1-103]

Clinical Social Worker

A person who is (1) has a master's or doctoral degree in social work from an accredited graduate school of social work and (2) has at least 3 years of supervised postmaster's clinical social work practice which shall include the provision of mental health services for the evaluation, treatment and prevention of mental and emotional disorders. [from 405 ILCS 5/1-122.1] A social worker shall be a licensed clinical social worker under the Clinical Social Work and Social Work Practice Act. [from 405 ILCS 5/1-122]

Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor

A licensed clinical professional counselor with a master's or doctoral degree in counseling or psychology or a similar master's or doctorate program from a regionally accredited institution who has at least 3 years of supervised postmaster's clinical professional counseling experience that includes the provision of mental health services for the evaluation, treatment, and prevention of mental and emotional disorders. [from 405 ILCS 5/1-122]

Physician

A person licensed by the State of Illinois to practice medicine in all its branches and includes any person holding a temporary license, as provided in the Medical Practice Act of 1987. Physician includes a psychiatrist as defined below. [from 405 ILCS 5/1-120]

Psychiatrist

A physician as defined in the first sentence of Section 1-120 who has successfully completed a residency program in psychiatry accredited by either the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or the American Osteopathic Association. [from 405 ILCS 5/1-121]

Registered Nurse

A registered nurse with a master's degree in psychiatric nursing who has 3 years of clinical training and experience in the evaluation and treatment of mental illness which has been acquired subsequent to any training and experience which constituted a part of the degree program. [from 405 ILCS 5/1-122]

Marriage and Family Therapist

A licensed marriage and family therapist with a master's or doctoral degree in marriage and family therapy from a regionally accredited educational institution or a similar master's program or from a program accredited by either the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy or the Commission on Accreditation for Counseling Related Educational Programs, who has at least 3 years of supervised postmaster's experience as a marriage and family therapist that includes the provision of mental health services for the evaluation, treatment, and prevention of mental and emotional disorders. [405 ILCS 5/1-122]