



Ohio Revised Code

Section 4758.55 Authority of independent chemical dependency counselor.

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In addition to practicing substance use disorder counseling, an individual holding a valid independent chemical dependency counselor license may do all of the following:

- (A) Diagnose and treat substance use disorder conditions;
- (B) Perform treatment planning, assessment, crisis intervention, individual and group counseling, case management, and education services as they relate to abuse of and dependency on alcohol and other drugs;
- (C) Provide clinical supervision of substance use disorder counseling under the supervision of any of the following:
 - (1) An independent chemical dependency counselor-clinical supervisor licensed under this chapter;
 - (2) An individual authorized under Chapter 4731. of the Revised Code to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery;
 - (3) A psychologist licensed under Chapter 4732. of the Revised Code;
 - (4) A registered nurse licensed under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code or licensed professional clinical counselor, independent social worker, or independent marriage and family therapist licensed under Chapter 4757. of the Revised Code if such supervision is consistent with the scope of practice of the registered nurse, licensed professional clinical counselor, independent social worker, or independent marriage and family therapist;
 - (5) An individual authorized to practice as a certified nurse practitioner or clinical nurse specialist under Chapter 4723. of the Revised Code.



(D) Refer individuals with non-substance use disorder conditions to appropriate sources of help.
