

BOSW Strategy Map

Mission:

“To ensure to the residents of Minnesota quality social work services by establishing and enforcing professional standards.”

Core Purpose

State Regulatory Agency

Public Protection

Establish and Enforce Entry Level Standards for Practice

Strategic Objectives

Expand Education & Outreach

Increase public and social worker understanding of BOSW role

Establish & Implement Licensing Requirements

Require entry level competencies for all social workers and promote a diverse social worker workforce

Enhance Board Effectiveness

Strengthen organizational structure and create opportunities for Board member development

Ensure Adherence to Ethical Standards of Practice

Protect consumers by receiving complaints and providing timely complaint resolution

2011-2014 Priorities

Priority Activities

Reconstitute and expand education outreach committee and develop comprehensive education, outreach and communication plan

Determine target audiences and tailor education/outreach and relationship building accordingly

Increase awareness of BOSW as a regulatory agency

Consider creative outreach, including online media

Priority Activities

Implement Minnesota Statutes 148E and provide ongoing education on licensing requirements

Implement modifications to exemptions (if passed), or if not, continue to pursue goal of modifying exemptions by meeting with stakeholder groups and the Legislature

Priority Activities

Develop and train Board members:
1) diversity; 2) legal responsibility and statutory requirements

Strengthen continuity between committees and the full Board

Engage in ongoing Board self-evaluation

Priority Activities

Continue to review compliance process

Coordinate between Compliance and Licensing units in processing unlicensed practice and deficiency cases

Explore ways to educate employers, social work students and the public about the Standards of Practice and when a social work license is required