



Riding the Waves with Partners

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Overview of the Board

The Board's mission:

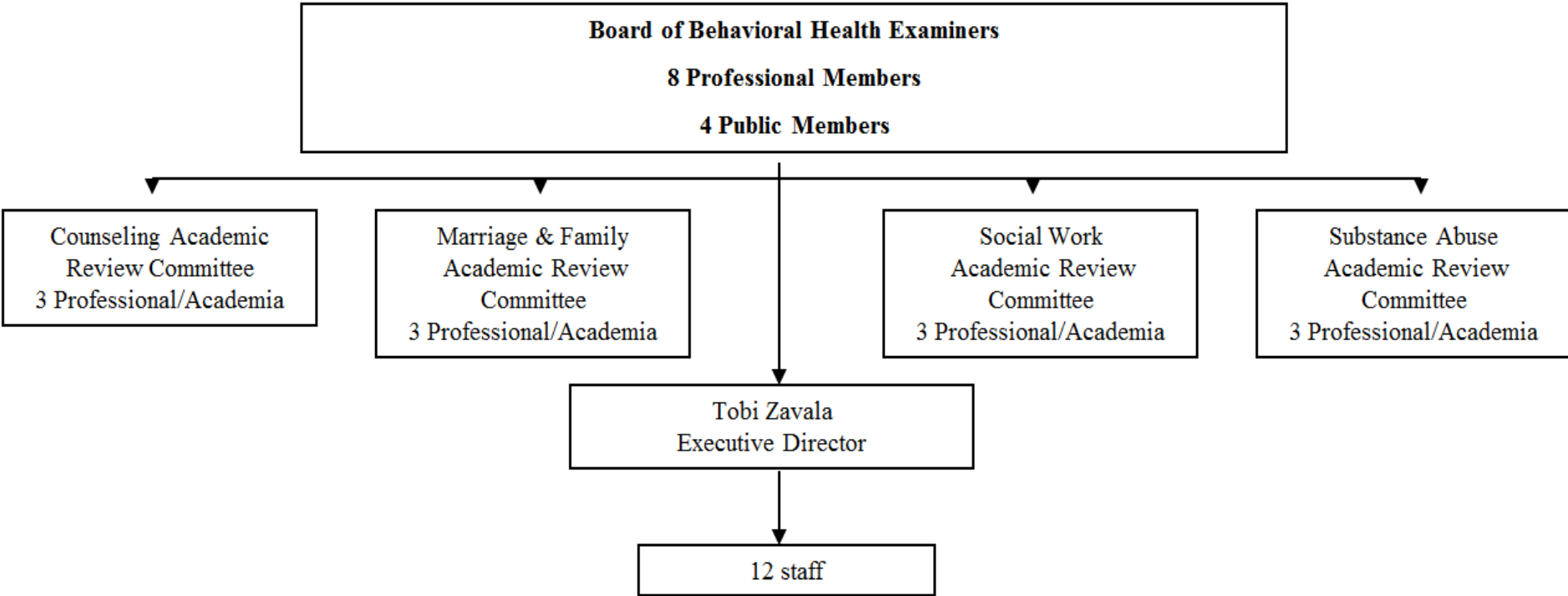
- To establish and maintain standards of qualifications and performance for licensed behavioral health professionals.
- To regulate the practice of licensed behavioral health professionals for protection of the public.

Background



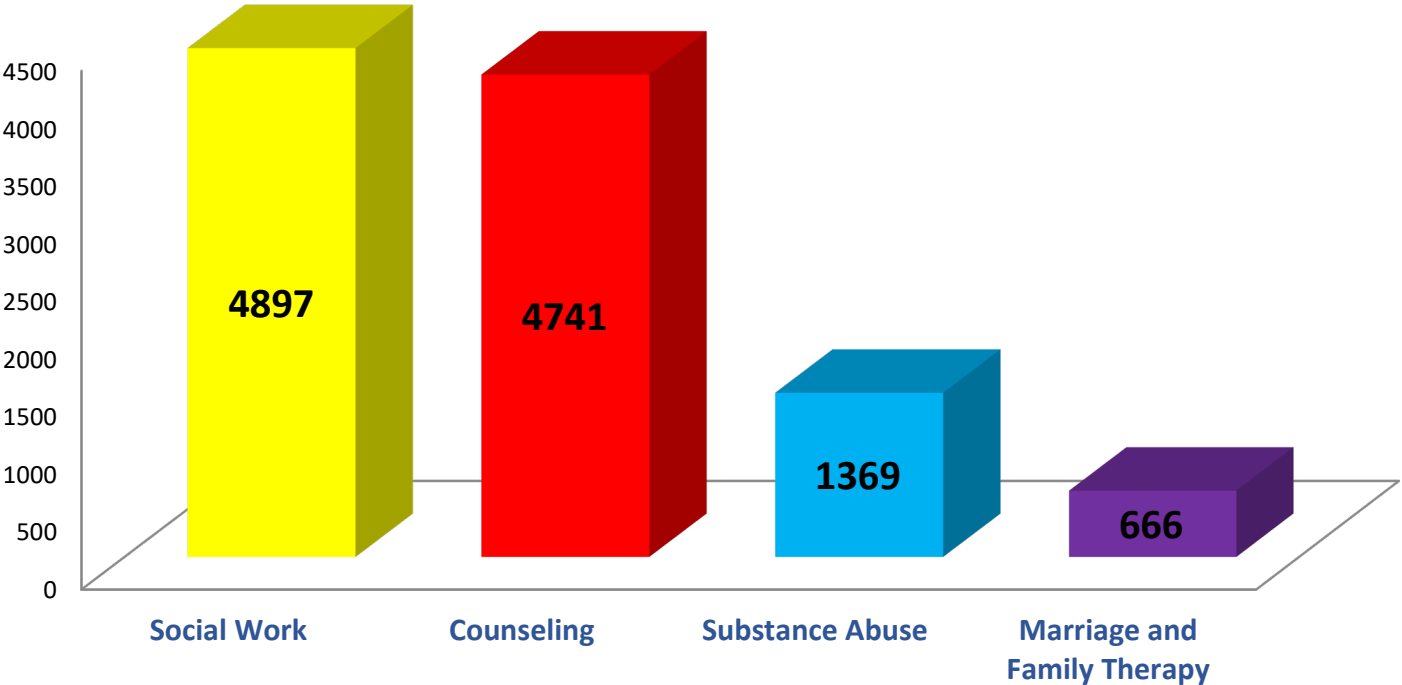
- The Board was established in 1989 to certify behavioral health professionals.
- In 2004, all certifications were converted into mandatory licensure.
- Composite Board consisting of the following disciplines:
 - Counseling
 - Marriage and Family Therapy
 - Social Work
 - Substance Abuse

AzBBHE 2019 Organizational Chart

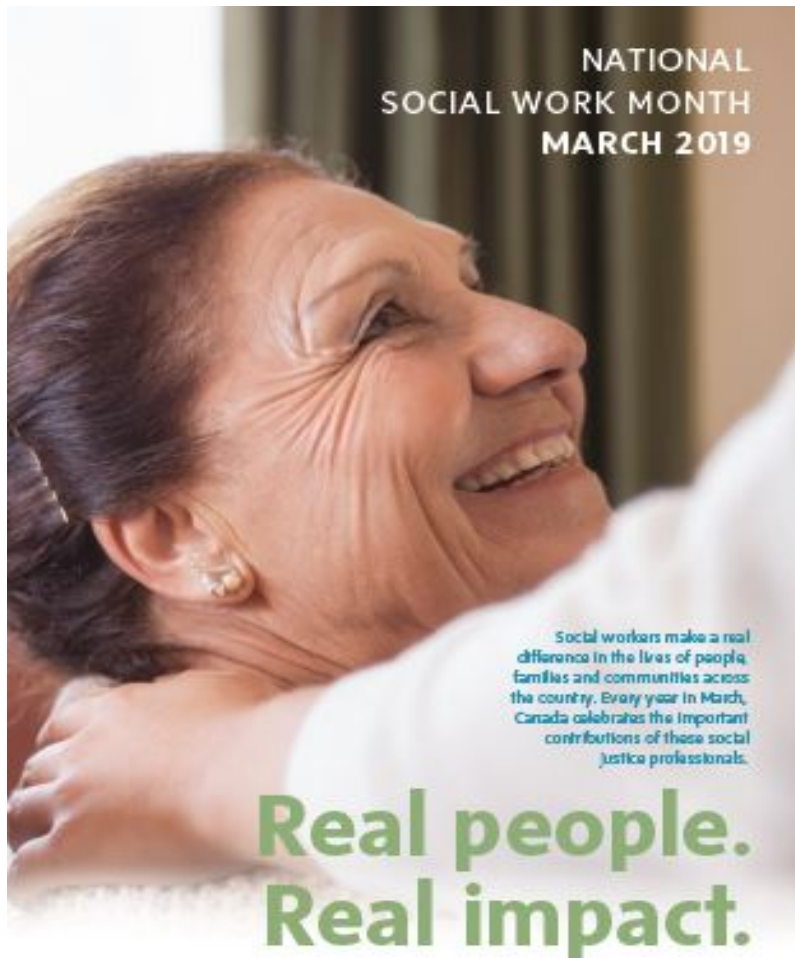


Licenses

- Licenses: 11,673 (as of March 1, 2019)









NATIONAL
SOCIAL WORK MONTH
MARCH 2019

Social workers make a real difference in the lives of people, families and communities across the country. Every year in March, Canada celebrates the important contributions of these social justice professionals.

**Real people.
Real impact.**

Get Involved In National Social Work Month

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#NationalSocialWorkMonth  



Mission & Purpose

CASW promotes the profession of social work in Canada and advances social justice.



CASW Represents Canadian Professional Social Workers

- For over 90 years, CASW has provided a national voice to promote our profession and advance issues of social justice.
- Since its founding in 1926, CASW has supported the development of professional standards and social work organizations in each province and territory while remaining steadfast in its commitment to advocate for a more equitable Canada.
- The CASW Board of Directors determines and oversees general and financial policies. With each provincial/territorial Partner Organization appointing one member to the Board, a unified voice for the Canadian social work profession is assured.

PILLARS OF THE PROFESSION

Intersectoral Committee

EDUCATION

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION FOR SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION



The Canadian Association for Social Work Education promotes excellence in social work education, practice and scholarly activities.

It does this through the enrichment of social work education, the accreditation of social work educational programs in Canada, advocacy, research, publication, consultation and collaboration at both Canadian and international levels.

The CASWE:

- Develops social work educational policies and standards
- Accredits social work educational programs

ASSOCIATION

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL WORKERS



The Canadian Association of Social Workers is the national association voice for social work in Canada.

CASW promotes and supports the profession of social work in Canada and advances social justice.

CASW ensures:

- There is a clear and positive image of the social work profession
- The social work profession has a positive impact on public/social justice issues
- All social workers have access to a broad base of information and support they need to enhance their practice

REGULATION

CANADIAN COUNCIL OF SOCIAL WORK REGULATORS



Social work is regulated at the provincial/territorial level.

There is a regulatory body in each province/territory. The Canadian Council of Social Work Regulators is the national voice of these bodies.

Regulatory bodies:

- Develop qualifications for registration
- Establishes Professional Development criteria
- Receives and investigates complaints against members of social workers in their province and deals with the issues of discipline, professional misconduct, incompetence and incapacity.

CASW Involvement in National Coalitions

- CASW is continuously active on many social policy and social action fronts, thanks to its affiliation as an organizational member of several national coalitions.

- CASW is currently affiliated with [32 coalitions](#) including:
 - Canadian Alliance on Mental Illness and Mental Health (CAMIMH)
 - Dignity for all: The Campaign for a Poverty-Free Canada
 - HEAL Action Lobby

