Amendment to Post-Conviction Sex Offender Polygraph Standards

January 1, 2021

9. **Suitability for testing.** Persons who are suitable to undergo polygraph testing should meet all of the following minimum requirements.

   **Age.** Persons whose chronological age is 18 years or greater should be considered suitable for polygraph testing unless they are substantially impaired. In rare cases, persons age 16 or older may be tested, as determined on a case-by-case basis by the Containment Team, in order to promote community safety. Persons under the age of 16 should not be tested.

14. **Examiner qualifications.** Examiners whose work is to be considered consistent with the requirements of this Model Policy shall have completed a basic course of polygraph training at a polygraph school accredited by the APA or meet other training, experience and competency requirements for professional membership in the APA.

   **14.3.1. Professional Experience:** Beginning November 1, 2021 examiners shall completed a minimum of 25 supervised PCSOT field examinations prior to undertaking PCSOT examinations unsupervised. Individuals who complete 10 supervised examinations prior to November 1, 2021 will have their professional experience completed under existing guidelines.

   **14.3.2.** During the completion of supervised professional experience, the supervisee may not conduct more than three (3) PCSOT exams in one day.

   **14.3.3.** The supervising examiner should quality control through a combination of question construction, video review, chart review and report review. If the supervising examiner finds the supervisee’s performance to be unsatisfactory, they should provide the trainee with additional training and support.

   **14.3.4.** A supervising examiner must be a current trained PCSOT examiner, and have completed a minimum of 200 PCSOT exams.