

Mental and Behavioural Healthcare Providers Infographic

| | Psychiatrists | Psychologists | Clinical Social Workers | Clinical Counsellors | Social Workers | Counsellors/Therapists/Coaches |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Provide talk therapy | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Generally have an Undergraduate Degree | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ |
| Generally have a Master's Degree | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ |
| Protected activity of diagnosis of mental health disorders | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |
| Generally have a doctoral degree | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |
| Require at least one-year full-time residency | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |
| Regulated under the Health Professions Act | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |
| Prescribe medication | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |
| Conduct neuropsychological assessments | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |
| Covered by MSP | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ |
| Number of BC practitioners | 1170 | 1454 | 220 | 7000 + | 5400 | Unknown |

*Information accurate as of March 2025.