

NASW PROCEDURES FOR PROFESSIONAL REVIEW, REVISED

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Replacing existing Chapter 1 section A. 1 and D. 2 with the following language

A. WHO MAY FILE AN RPR

The following parties may submit an RPR in the event of an alleged violation of the *NASW Code of Ethics*:

- 1. An individual who has engaged in a professional social work relationship with an NASW member and was directly affected, personally or professionally, by the alleged violation of the *NASW Code of Ethics*, or the Complainant has direct knowledge of the alleged violation stated in the RPR, may submit an RPR.**

D. Self-Reporting

- 2. When a chapter becomes aware of a substantiated criminal or social work licensure violation by a social worker member based on information available in the public domain that has resulted in an action less than a felony or revocation of a social work license, the chapter will forward the information to the national office for review. The NASW national office will notify the member, in writing, of the information received from the public domain, provide a recommendation that the member self-report, and provide notice that failure to self-report within 30 days will result in automatic suspension of NASW membership. Such a suspension will not require a review by the National Ethics Committee or NASW Executive Committee. Suspension of membership will be facilitated by the Office of Ethics and Professional Review and processed by Membership Services.**

National office notification assures that a member whose violation or conviction has become public knowledge (with the exception of license revocations and felonies) will be afforded an opportunity for review before automatic sanctions are implemented by NASW.