



The State Bar *of California*

Lawyer Assistance Program

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California Lawyer Assistance Program

- Support law students, State Bar applicants, and attorneys in their rehabilitation and competent practice of law
- Enhance public protection
- Maintain the integrity of the legal profession
- Substance use and mental health issues

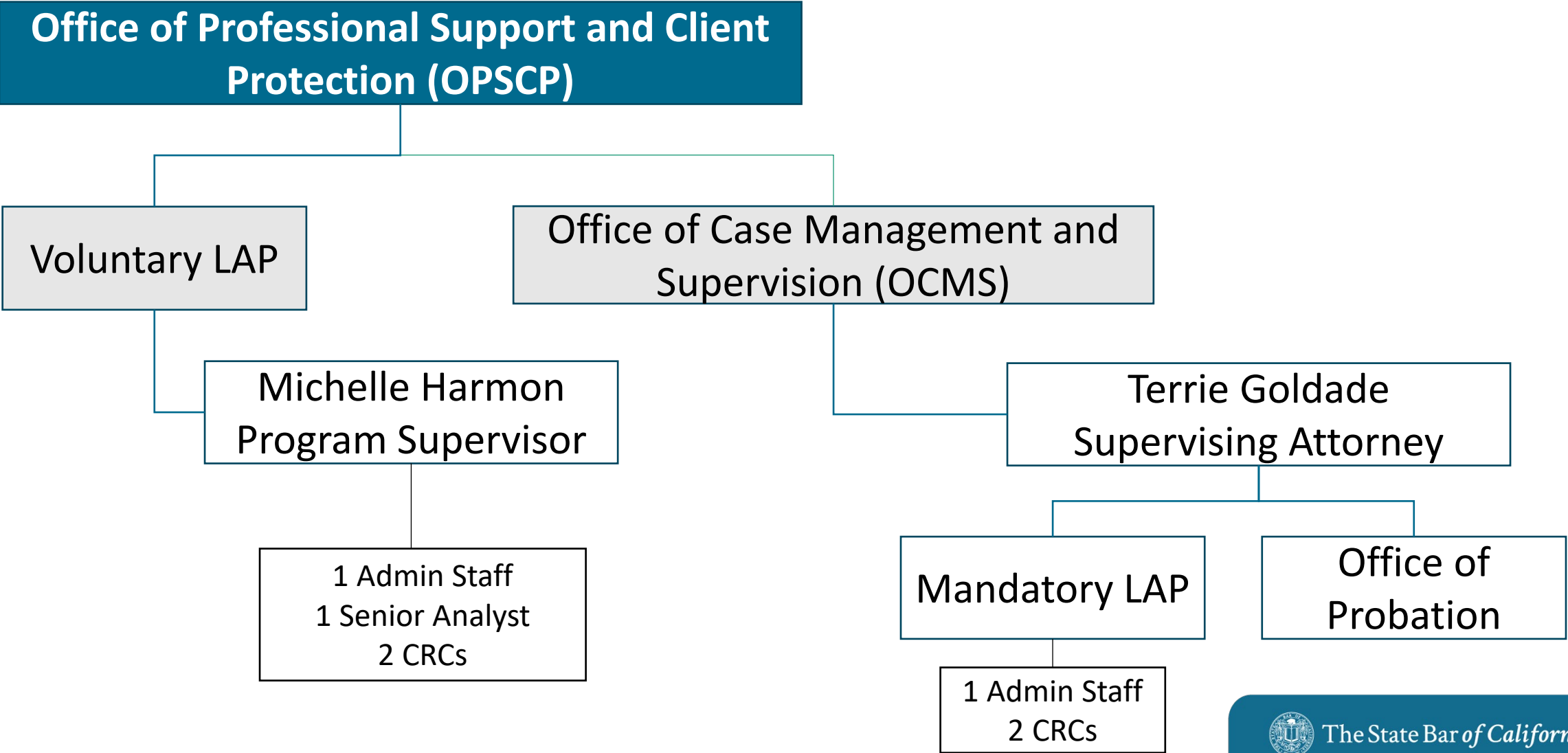


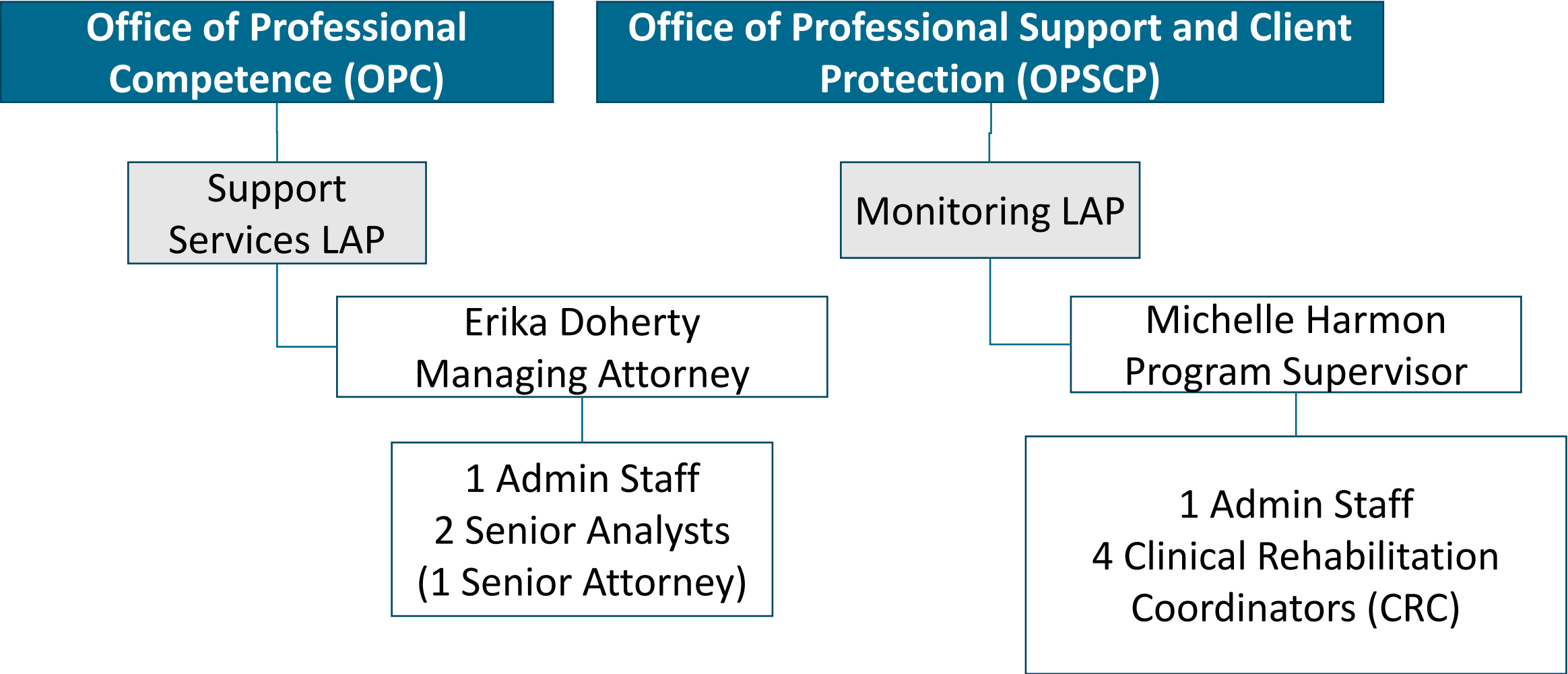
California Business and Professions Code section 6234

- Information cannot be disclosed as part of a civil proceeding, a disciplinary proceeding, or a public records request.
- ... Or mandated reporting by health care professional.
- Confidentiality is absolute unless waived by the participant.



Old LAP Organization





Monitoring LAP

- Licensed mental health clinicians
- Conduct participant's intake to assess the issues
- Assist participants in:
 - Finding a therapist/counselor that specializes in the participant's specific needs
 - Finding a weekly group meeting that is convenient and relevant for the participant
 - Completing forms and test requirements timely
 - Ensuring successful completion of the program



Support Services LAP

➤ Free Short-term Career Counseling

- Two free one-on-one counseling sessions with a career counselor for participants who:
 - Have difficulty finding meaningful work
 - Find their current employment unsatisfying
 - Want to better utilize their law degree

➤ **Two free one-on-one sessions with a therapist**

- Stress, relationship challenges, burnout, grief

➤ **Free orientation & assessment**

- Confidential assessment with a licensed clinician
- Three free group support sessions
- Treatment/Recovery Planning



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➤ Outreach and Education

- Free 1 hr MCLE presentation for competency credit
- Outreach to law schools and law students
- Emails with LAP resource information to law students, State Bar applicants, and licensees

