

Continuing Education Requirements for Alaska Marriage & Family Therapists (And How to Stay on Track)

As a licensed marriage and family therapist (MFT) in the state of Alaska, it is your responsibility to adhere to continuing education requirements each period in order to renew your license. Beyond license renewal being key to you maintaining your practice, continuing education is essential to stay abreast of what is happening in your field – something your clients will always appreciate you taking seriously. Education is how we all continue to learn and further hone our skills and expertise, so it's certainly something to be celebrated. Though education is fantastic, keeping on track with the many hours you need to fulfill can be a challenge. Thankfully, there is a fantastic resource available to help you with that. Before we dive into the resource, let's start by outlining what is required of Alaska MFTs in order to renew their license each year.

Licensee Requirements for Alaska Marriage & Family Therapists

A marriage and family therapist in the state of Alaska must renew their license every two years, and in order to do so, is required to complete 45 hours of continuing education. Those hours must be completed by December 31 of even-numbered years, with the following submitted as proof (typically found on each individual certificate): name of the sponsoring organization, location of the course/seminar/workshop, brief description, the instructor, date(s) attended, titles/issues/dates of publications or presentations, and the amount of continuing education hours earned. Of the 45 required hours for MFTs, the following breakdown of hours is required: two hours in professional ethics, two hours on addictions, two hours in cross-cultural education, and two hours regarding domestic violence.

Key Takeaways:

- MFTs in Alaska must complete 45 hours of continuing education every two years.
- Licenses expire on December 31 of every even-numbered year.
- The following hour breakdown is required: two on ethics, two on addiction, two on cross-cultural education, and two on domestic violence

Given marriage and family therapists are likely to achieve their continuing education certificates in increments, from various workshops, conventions, agencies, and institutions, there is a lot of documentation to keep track of (potentially 45 or more certificates throughout the course of two years). As proof is required when you apply for renewal, it's imperative you keep all of those certificates in a safe place – easily accessible and easy to track your progress. CE Hub is the safe place you need to work through your continuing education with ease.

What is CE Hub?

CE Hub is an app built specifically for therapists. Recognizing the difficulty that is storing continuing education certificates and keeping track of your hours, CE Hub was created to take the stress out of continuing education requirements. Instead of worrying throughout the period that you may not be on track, or perhaps that you may have lost a document or two, CE Hub provides you the peace of mind you need to enjoy the learning process. Using the platform is simple: you sign up, upload your continuing education certificates as you obtain them, then CE Hub handles the rest. All of your continuing education credits are tracked for you, and you even receive a reminder when it's time to renew your license. Alleviate the stress of continuing education requirements by taking advantage of CE Hub today!

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Reference Links: https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/portals/5/pub/MFTStatutes.pdf
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