

Continuing Education Requirements for Connecticut Psychologists (And How to Stay on Track)

As a licensed psychologist in the state of Connecticut, it is your responsibility to adhere to continuing education requirements every 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 psychology – 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 Connecticut psychologist in order to renew their license each year.

Licensee Requirements for Connecticut Psychologists

Psychologists licensed in Connecticut are required to complete 10 hours of continuing education every year in order to renew their license to practice. Of those 10 hours, two hours (every six years) need to be regarding mental health conditions that are common to (a) veteran mental health and the family members of said veterans, (b) screening for conditions such as post-traumatic stress disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief, and (c) suicide prevention. As an additional requirement, no more than five hours can be completed through home study. The Department does not maintain a full list of approved courses or activities, nor do they approve one-off courses or activities. In order for a course or program to qualify toward the continuing education requirement, it must be offered or approved by the American Psychological Association, a regionally accredited academic institution, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, a nationally recognized continuing education provider, or a professionally or scientifically recognized behavioral science organization.

Key Takeaways:

- Psychologists in Connecticut must complete 10 continuing education hours yearly.
- Two hours (every six years) need to be on (a) veteran mental health, (b)screening for conditions such as post-traumatic stress disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief and (c) suicide prevention.

Given psychologists 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 10 or more certificates throughout the course of the year). 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 psychologists. 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://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/Psychology/Continuing-Education

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