



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

As a licensed marriage and family therapist (MFT) in the state of Illinois, 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 Illinois MFTs in order to renew their license each year.

### Licensee Requirements for California Marriage & Family Therapists

Marriage and family therapists in the state of Illinois must complete 30 continuing education hours in the two years preceding February 28 of each odd-numbered year. All courses or programs taken must be offered by an approved continuing education sponsor. Hours can also be earned through postgraduate training programs or marriage and family therapy-related courses from a college, university, or graduate school specifically pertaining to marriage and family therapy. Another avenue MFTs can take to fulfill their continuing education requirements by teaching a verified course or program through an approved college or graduate school – those credits actually compound faster as one teaching hour counts for 1.5 continuing education credits. Illinois also allows flexibility for the type of courses or programs, so long as they are approved sponsors, which means online courses/programs (pre-recorded or live) also suffice.

### Key Takeaways:

- **Illinois MFTs must complete a total of 30 hours of continuing education every two years in order to renew their license.**
- **Credits must be earned in the two years prior to the February 28 deadline in every odd-numbered year.**

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 30 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. Your hours and certificates are tracked, then you are notified when it's time to submit for your renewal – something you'll never have to monitor yourself again. Alleviate the stress of continuing education requirements by taking advantage of CE Hub today!

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