



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

As a licensed psychologist in the state of Illinois, 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 Illinois psychologist in order to renew their license each year.

Licensee Requirements for Illinois Psychologists

All licensed psychologists in the state of Illinois are required to complete 24 hours of continuing education every two years. All requirements must be fulfilled ahead of the September 30 expiration date of every even-numbered year. Illinois has an additional requirement that at least three of the 24 hours must be specifically related to ethical practices in psychology. Beyond that, all continuing education credits need to be earned through a program offered by an entity that is approved by the Board. All of the following are approved sponsors: American Psychological Association, National Register of Health Service Psychologists, Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards, American Medical Association, Illinois Psychological Association, regionally accredited school, college or university, or any state agency. Outside of the classroom-setting, up to 18 hours of continuing education can be earned through distance-learning programs or courses offered by an approved sponsor. Credit can also be earned for teaching psychology at an accredited school/university – compounding at 1.5 continuing education hours for every hour of class taught.

Key Takeaways:

- **Illinois Psychologists must complete 24 hours of continuing education every two years through approved sponsors with 3 hours specifically covering ethics.**
- **Licenses expire on September 30 of every even year, which is the deadline to fulfill all continuing education requirements.**

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 24 or more certificates throughout the course of the two-year time period). As proof is required when you apply for renewal (and may be required in subsequent years through random audits) 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://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/068/068014000A00600R.html> <https://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/>