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## Continuing Education Requirements for Mississippi Licensed Social Workers (And How to Stay on Track)

As a licensed clinical social worker (LCSW) in the state of Mississippi, 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 Mississippi LCSWs in order to renew their license.

## Licensee Requirements for Mississippi Licensed Social Workers

As a licensed clinical social worker in Mississippi, you have a responsibility to complete 40 hours of continuing education every two years (ahead of the April 30 expiration date in your renewal year). Within your required 40 hours, at least four need to be on ethics and at least two should be on cultural diversity. Lastly, licensees are permitted to carry over up to ten hours from one licensing cycle to the next, but the hours need to be within 6 months of the next cycle (between October 29 and April 29 in the previous licensing period).

## **Key Takeaways:**

- Mississippi LCSWs need to earn 40 hours of continuing education every two years.
- Licenses expire on April 30, which is the continuing education deadline .
- At least four hours need to be on ethics and two on cultural diversity.
- Up to ten hours can be carried over into the next licensing cycle.

Given licensed social workers 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 40 or more certificates throughout the course of two years). As proof is required when you apply for license 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 social workers. 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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