



Continuing Education Requirements for Nebraska Licensed Professional Counselors (And How to Stay on Track)

As a licensed professional counselor (LPC) in the state of Nebraska, 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 Nebraska LPCs in order to renew their license each year.

Licensee Requirements for Nebraska Licensed Professional Counselors

Licensed professional counselors in Nebraska are held to the same continuing education requirements as both MFTs and LCSWs in the state. For all three professions, licensees must complete 32 hours of continuing education every two years, with four of the 32 hours on the topic of ethics in the field. All continuing education hours must be earned before the September 1 expiration date in even-numbered years.

Allowing for flexibility, LPCs do not need to ensure the state has approved a course, program, or activity in order for the activity to be accepted as part of their continuing education. Licensees are expected to use their professional judgement to decide what courses or programs would be beneficial to their continued education.

Key Takeaways:

- **Nebraska LPCs must complete 32 hours of continuing education every two years**
- **Four hours need to be on the topic of ethics**
- **Licenses expire on September 1 in even years**

Given licensed professional counselors 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 32 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 counselors. 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 Link: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/pages/mental-health-and-social-work-practice.aspx>