

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

As a licensed marriage and family therapist (MFT) in the state of New Mexico, 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 New Mexico MFTs in order to renew their license every cycle.

Licensee Requirements for New Mexico Marriage & Family Therapists

In the state of New Mexico, licensed marriage and family therapists are expected to fulfill a requirement of 40 hours of continuing education every two years (following their initial licensure). All of those hours must be obtained before September 30 in their license expiration year if they wish to continue their practice. Of the required 40 hours, at least six hours must be on ethics, specifically. In addition, another three hours of supervision are required for licensees who provide supervision. Only courses or programs deemed approved can be considered toward New Mexico's continuing education requirement. Approved programs include the following: those that are approved by certifying groups, those approved by other regulatory boards, courses sponsored by international/national/state/regional mental health professional associations, publications of professional writings or presenting board approved courses (up to 20 hours), those approved by the New Mexico counseling and therapy practice board, and approved online or home study education (up to 12 hours each).

Key Takeaways:

- New Mexico MFTs must earn 40 hours of continuing education every two years.
- Licenses expire on September 30 in a licensee's renewal year .
- At least six hours need to be on ethics.

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 40 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. 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!

Disclaimer: this content is for informational purposes only. Licensees should always confirm their continuing education requirements with their respective governing agency. In the state of New Mexico, MFTs can clarify anything about their license by contacting the New Mexico Regulation & Licensing Department by phone at (505) 476-4500.

Reference Link: https://www.rld.nm.gov/boards-and-commissions/individual-boards-and-commissions/counseling-and-therapy-practice-overview/ct-continuing-education/