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

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

Licensee Requirements for New York Licensed Professional Counselors

Licensed professional counselors in New York must complete 36 hours of continuing education every three years in order to renew their license by the posted expiration state. Only 12 of the required 36 hours can be made up of self-study activities, and even then, they must be offered by New York State Education Department-approved providers. All of the remaining hours must be taken in a live, formal, continuing education course, also offered by Department-approved providers. For a current list of approved providers, visit this New York state site.

Key Takeaways:

- LPCs registered in New York must complete 36 continuing education hours every three years.
- Only 12 of the 36 required hours can be completed via self-study programs.
- All courses or programs taken must be approved by the New York State Education Department.

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 36 or more certificates throughout the course of three 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. 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!

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 York, LPCs can clarify anything about their license by contacting New York State Education Department at the number (518) 474-3817 (press 1 then ext. 570).

Reference Link:

http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/mhp/mhccehome.htm

http://www.op.nysed.gov/contact.htm